All visitors must check-in before using the WMA unless otherwise stated in individual WMA regulations. A violation of this provision may also subject the hunter to charges for a violation of state hunting and/or WMA laws and regulations.

**Legal weapons for small game hunting (excluding Crossbows)**

**Archery Equipment:**
- Longbows, recurves, and traditional bows.
- Broadheads, arrows, and other shooting equipment.

**Primitive Weapons:**
- Designs defined by 40 Miss Admin Code Pt 2 Chap 1.29

**Safety Precautions:**
- Target shooting is prohibited, except on designated ranges. No shooting or hunting within 200 yards of any building, water source, or WMA boundary line. Firearms shall be properly identified on or attached to the hunting stand. A violation of this provision may also subject the hunter to a violation of state hunting and/or WMA laws and regulations.

**Beavers, Coyotes, and Hogs:**
- May be killed during daylight hours only during any open season. Hunters must be in the possession of a valid license to hunt at all times when hunting.

**Firearms:**
- Hunters shall not shoot across a county line or ground unless the county line or ground is the only area open to hunting by the hunters. Hunters shall obey all markers and signs related to the WMA. A violation of this provision may also subject the hunter to charges for a violation of state hunting and/or WMA laws and regulations.

**Target shooting:**
- Except on designated ranges. No shooting or hunting within 200 yards of any building, water source, or WMA boundary line.
SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

WMA USER PERMIT: All persons using this wildlife management area, except those exempt from purchasing an annual hunting or fishing license, must carry on their person an annual state-wide Wildlife Management Area User Permit. This permit is required in addition to the daily visitor use permit and any required license and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

BAG LIMIT: Same as statewide bag limits EXCEPT: Rabbit - party limit of 6 rabbits per day. Quail - party limit of 15 quail per day. Deer - One legal buck per day, not to exceed two (2) per year and an antlerless deer is one (1) per day, not to exceed three (3) per year. All harvested deer count towards statewide bag limits, unless otherwise stated.

DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting will be allowed by special permit only. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts. Hunters must check in a doe that is 1½ years or older during their permitted gun hunt to be issued a permit only. These permits may be obtained from the MDWFP, see Area Manager for additional information. Special events will be restricted to the following dates: Oct. 31 – Nov. 20, Nov. 28-Dec. 1, Dec. 27-31, Jan. 3-6, Jan. 9-12, Feb. 1-7, and Mar. 3-6. The WMA is closed to hunting during special event dates. Anyone participating in permitted special events must obey conduct rules as designated and posted by club or group permitted to hold event.

LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 12 inches OR one main beam length of at least 15 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting.

LEGAL WEAPONS: All legal weapons are those that are legal to purchase, possess, and carry in the state of Mississippi and conform to the laws of the state and the Federal Government concerning the use of weapons on public lands.

DOVE HUNTING: A dove hunt will be held on a designated field on the statewide opening day from 2:00 pm-sunset. After the youth dove hunt, dove hunting will be allowed from 2:00 pm-sunset during the first season. After the first season, dove hunting follows statewide regulations and statewide season dates, except during special event days. See SPECIAL EVENTS.

WMA HEADQUARTERS: This building is 3.5 miles on the right. MDWFP Jackson Office: MS 38927, (662) 563-6221

CONTACT INFORMATION:

WMA HEADQUARTERS: (662) 685-4508
MDWFP North Regional Office: 457 CR 36, Enid, MS 38927, (662) 563-6221
MDWFP Jackson Office: (601) 432-2199

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: From New Albany, take Hwy 15 north toward Ripley. At Cotton Plant community turn left onto county road 825. Headquarters building is 3.5 miles on the right.

GPS Coordinates: 34.620202, -89.064869

Scan to view location of Hell Creek WMA Headquarters.

Scan to view maps and data about Hell Creek WMA.

1-800-BE-SMART

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