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Applications Being Accepted for Cumberland Island Hunts

St. Marys, Georgia – Cumberland Island National Seashore is accepting applications for four managed deer hunts and two managed hog hunts for the 2007-2008 season, according to Superintendent Jerre Brumbelow. **All applications must be postmarked by July 31st.** Hunters may apply for **up to two deer/hog hunts and both hog-only hunts.**

Hunters will be randomly selected. ***Upon notification of selection, EACH hunter must pay $35.00 for EACH hunt, postmarked no later than Sept. 17th.*** All applications will be cancelled for any hunters failing to meet the deadline. Fees are not refundable. **Substitutions are prohibited. Late payments will not be accepted.** Standby hunters are no longer being accepted on any of the Cumberland Island National Seashore hunts. Each hunt will be overdrawn to compensate for "no-shows."

The passenger ferry that operates from the National Park Service dock in St. Marys provides transportation to the hunt camp at Plum Orchard. The round trip fee is $30. Small boat charters may be available from the ferry concessionaire at 912-882-4452. No other charter or water taxi operators are authorized to operate to the seashore. Hunters may also camp at Brick Hill, but all hunters must check in at the hunt camp at Plum Orchard.

Check-in is on the Sunday the day before the start of hunting for all adult hunts. Hunting starts on Monday and ends at sunset on Wednesday. Hunters must break camp and depart by 10:00 am, Thursday, on the ferry which transports hunters back to St. Marys, and also by 10:00 am, if using a private boat. The Adult/Child hunt in December has check-in on Saturday, hunting Sunday through Tuesday, departure on Wednesday; all other times apply.

A Georgia hunting license is needed for the hog only hunts, a valid Georgia hunting license and **big game license** is required on all combination **deer/hog** hunts (except hunters under 16 on adult/child hunt). The Wildlife Area Management Stamp is not required. On the primitive weapons hunts, modern pistols that meet Georgia's requirements for hunting deer may be used in lieu of muzzle loaded rifles. No transportation is provided on the island. Bicycles are prohibited on all Cumberland Island hunts.

TYPE	DATE	QUOTA OF HUNTERS	AGE OF HUNTERS
Archery	**Oct. 8-10, 2007**	125	16 & over
Primitive weapon (deer and hog)	**Nov. 5-7, 2007**	100	16 & over
Primitive weapon (deer and hog)	**Dec. 3-5, 2007**	100	16 & over
Adult/child (deer and hog)	**Dec. 17-19, 2007**	50	12 - 16
Feral hogs, firearms	**Jan. 7-9, 2008**	100	16 & over
Feral hogs, firearms	**Jan. 21-23, 2008**	100	16 & over

For information and applications, please write to: **Hunts, Cumberland Island National Seashore, P. O. Box 806, St. Marys, Georgia 31558. Phone 912-882-4336 ext 275 ; Fax 912-882-6284.**

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CUMBERLAND ISLAND NATIONAL SEASHORE
HUNT APPLICATION

Applications may be reproduced if extra copies are needed. **EACH PERSON IN GROUP MUST COMPLETE AN APPLICATION.** For example, a group of four applying for the Archery Hunt must submit four (4) completed applications; one for each member of the group. Applications for groups should be attached together. Party applications are selected as a group when drawn. The maximum number allowed in any group (or party) is five.

If applying for more than one hunt, a separate application must be filled out for each hunt. (They may be mailed together in the same envelope.) For confirmation that applications have been received enclose a self-addressed, stamped post card.

Selected applicants will be notified by letter/e-mail by late August and will receive additional hunt information. **Applicants who have not received notification by September 1st may assume that they were not selected for any of the hunts.**

Note: Applications with incomplete information will be discarded.
DEADLINE: All applications must be postmarked by July 31st.

Send hunt applications to:

Hunts
Cumberland Island National Seashore
P.O. Box 806
St. Marys, GA 31558

Cumberland Island National Seashore Hunt Application
Applicants failing to give all information requested or submitting fraudulent or erroneous information will be barred from future hunts.
Please print or type: NAME: _____ (Last First M.I.) Address: _____ _____ zip_____ State of Legal Residence: _____ Date of Birth_____ Telephone Number: _____
Email _____ Date of Hunt: _____ Number in Party ____