

MISCELLANEOUS

All persons born after September 1, 1969, must complete a state-approved hunter safety program before being allowed to hunt in the Barataria Preserve.

Possession, consumption, or being under the influence of alcohol or any controlled substance while hunting in the Barataria Preserve is prohibited and will result in arrest.

Camping and fires (including marsh fires) are prohibited.

Hunters under the age of 18 must be accompanied and closely supervised by a legal guardian/adult at all times. See also Deer Stands and Permit Application sections.

No off-road motorized vehicles, including ATVs, are allowed in the Barataria Preserve or on the hurricane protection levee.

Nutria may be taken during legal shooting hours by any legal Barataria Preserve hunting method, abiding by the daily limit and all State of Louisiana regulations regarding the taking of nutria.

During closed shotgun season feral hogs may only be taken with archery equipment.

Biodegradable crepe paper is the only approved trail marking material. The use of any other trail marking

material, including degradable plastic, cans, and reflective tape, is prohibited.

Hunter orange requirements while hunting: All hunters and those accompanying them must wear hunter orange on their **head, chest, and back** at all times while in the field (minimum of 400 square inches). Mesh-style hunter orange clothing is not legal.

Hunting is permitted one half hour before official sunrise until 12:00 p.m. (noon). Hunting or possessing a loaded firearm outside of this time period is prohibited. Official sunrise is listed in the current Louisiana hunting regulation booklet and other official government sources.

During closed deer shotgun season, it is illegal to possess shotgun shells loaded with slugs or shot larger than BB lead or F steel shot while small game hunting

Game cameras are permitted but must be removed by stand removal date and the camera setup must not cause damage to vegetation.

Contact the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries or visit www.wlf.louisiana.gov/hunting for Louisiana-specific questions.

Questions about the hunt program? Stop by the Barataria Preserve Visitor Center, call 504-689-3690 ext. 18, or visit www.nps.gov/jela.

MANDATORY HARVEST REPORTING

All game harvested must be reported by 5:00 p.m. the day of the kill. Stop at the visitor center or call 504-689-3690 ext 18. If you harvest an animal, provide the applicable information to include date, time, permit number, sex, weight, points, zone, and any additional information.

Under state law an applicable successful harvest(s) must ALSO be reported to the state of Louisiana by the hunter.

2015-2016 BARATARIA PRESERVE HUNTING PROGRAM CHANGES

Statewide Youth Firearm Deer Hunt Days November 7-8: Youth 15 and under ONLY are allowed to take deer (either sex) on these days at the Barataria Preserve. All other preserve regulations apply including permit applications and adult supervision.

During archery season, all permitted hunters are now allowed to use a crossbow as a legal means of taking game.

REMEMBER
If you have a medical or law enforcement emergency while in the Barataria Preserve, call 911, then call Park Dispatch 1-855-289-7412.

National Park Service
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Jean Lafitte National Historical Park
and Preserve

2015-2016 Barataria Preserve Hunting Program

BARATARIA PRESERVE PERMIT

Permit # X-_____

When signed and carried, this serves as your permit for hunts and acknowledges your understanding of the regulations contained herein.

Expires February 7, 2016

Printed name _____

Signature (permits are not transferable) _____

PROVISIONS OF THE HUNTING PERMIT

This booklet contains the terms and conditions of the Barataria Preserve hunting permit. In applying for a hunting permit, all applicants agree to abide by these provisions in addition to all other applicable and non-conflicting federal, state, and local laws.

Failure to comply with any regulation or law, including terms and conditions listed in this booklet, is prohibited and may result in revocation of the hunter's permit and filing of criminal charges with the Federal District Court. Bear in mind that equipment utilized in a criminal act, including firearms, motor vehicles, and vessels, may be seized as evidence. In the event of conflicting laws, federal law supersedes state law.

TRAPPING

Call 504-589-3882 ext. 119 for information on trapping at the preserve.

HUNTING SEASON DATES:

Hunting ends each day at noon (12:00 p.m.).

ARCHERY

DEER

Bucks only: Oct. 1 – Oct. 15, 2015
either sex: Oct. 16 – Dec. 23, 2015
Jan. 2 – Jan. 31, 2016

FERAL HOGS Oct. 1 - Dec. 23, 2015
Jan. 2 -31, 2016

SHOTGUN

DEER (see also Statewide Youth Firearm Deer Hunt Days under Hunting Program Changes on page 16)

Bucks only*: Nov. 14 – Dec. 23, 2015
Jan. 2 – Jan. 24, 2016

*Unless either sex season is in progress
either sex: Nov. 27 - 29, 2015
Dec. 12 - 13, 2015
Jan. 9 - 10, 2016
Jan. 25 - 31, 2016

FERAL HOGS: Nov. 14 - Dec. 23, 2015
Jan. 2 - 31, 2016

SQUIRREL, NUTRIA, RABBIT:
Oct. 3 - Dec. 23, 2015
Jan. 2 - 31, 2016

**MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS
& WATERFOWL:** Same as outside,
Coastal Zone (see LADWF brochure)

HUNTING PERMITS ISSUED

Sep. 5 - Oct. 1, 2015

HUNTING WILL BE CLOSED

Dec. 24, 2014 – Jan. 1, 2016

HUNTING ENDS

Sunday, January 31, 2016

STANDS MUST BE REMOVED BY

Sunday, February 7, 2016

DEER STANDS

Only one deer stand per hunter is permitted in accordance with the standards listed below. Stands not conforming to the following criteria will be removed.

The entire stand, to include the seat, must be completely painted hunter orange. Camouflage and any other colors including netting and blinds are prohibited.

The hunter permit number (including both letter and numbers)---**must be displayed near the top of the stand and be clearly visible.**

The hunter permit number must be in characters at least three inches high. The hunter permit number must be painted or otherwise affixed onto the hunter orange stand.

The stand and/or its installation must not damage the tree or other vegetation.

Stands must be removed by 5:00 p.m. on February 7, 2016.

Climbing stands that do not injure the tree are permitted. Climbing stands with metal brackets or spikes are prohibited. Hunters using a climbing stand must wear a safety belt or harness while in the stand. The climbing stand must also comply with all other park-specific regulations pertaining to stands (permit number, hunter orange, etc.).

Erecting stands in areas not designated for hunting is prohibited.

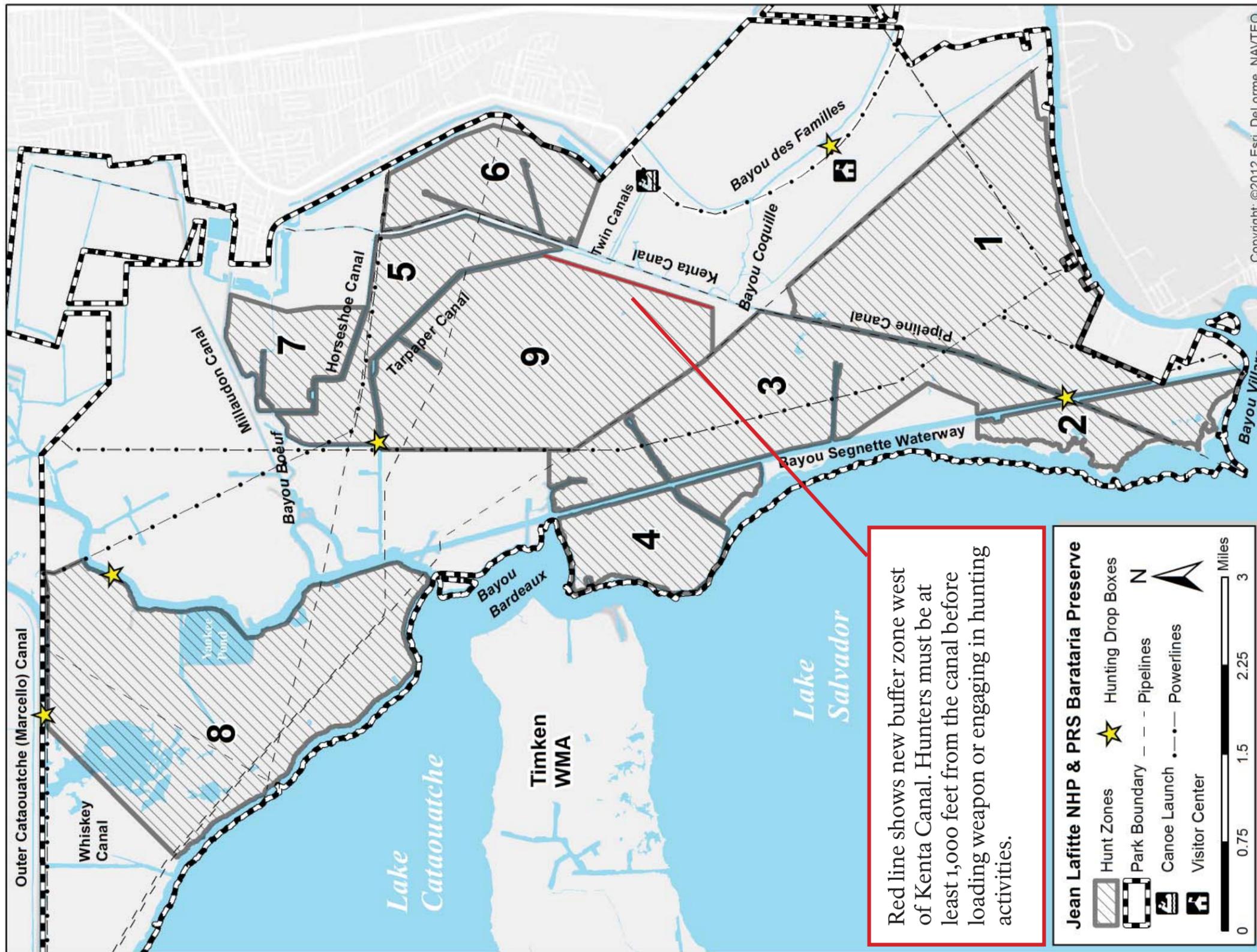
Hunting from another hunter's stand without that hunter's permission is prohibited.

Hunting from a stand without the correct hunter permit number displayed is prohibited.

Failure to remove your stand at the end of the season automatically prevents registering for the following season.

Persons under eighteen (18) years of age require supervision of a legal guardian/parent when hunting on this federal preserve. This allows a ratio of one (1) permit-holding adult and one (1) permit holding juvenile to be in a properly designed deer stand or be safely at the base of the deer stand.

Stands are prohibited on/against power poles or other structures.



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WATERFOWL HUNTING

Hunt Zone 8 (see map) is the ONLY area within the Barataria Preserve where waterfowl may be hunted. ONLY those species which are in season according to Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries regulations for the State of Louisiana Coastal Zone may be taken. No small or large game other than waterfowl may be taken in Hunt Zone 8. Exception: nutria may be taken in Hunt Zone 8 according to state regulations by permitted trapping and/or shotgun with nontoxic shot. If you are interested in waterfowl hunting (additional license required), inform staff during permit application and you will receive additional information with specific regulations.

BOATS

Motorized vessels are prohibited through the lengths of Twin Canals, Kenta Canal, Parallel Canal, Bayou Coquille and Bayou des Familles. Portions of Tarpaper Canal are also closed to motorized vessels. Motorized vessels are prohibited in all marsh ponds and trenasses.

“Push-poling” of motorized vessels in closed areas is only permitted in the area of Tarpaper Canal from the motorized boat closure sign up to and including the length of Parallel Canal.

All boats must be in compliance with all federal, state and local laws/regulations for operations and safety equipment.

Airboats are prohibited at all times and in all areas of the preserve.

MORNING SIGN-IN

Hunters must fill in and drop a completed sign-in drop slip (see example) in one of the drop boxes each morning prior to hunting.

Drop boxes are located at the Barataria Preserve Visitor Center main gate, upper Tarpaper Canal, lower Pipeline Canal, Outer Cataouatche (Marcello) Canal, and Bayou Segnette Waterway. See maps for drop box locations (marked by stars). You may need to make copies of drop slips.

PERMITS ARE KEPT ON YOUR PERSON AT ALL TIMES WHILE HUNTING.

This is an example of a drop slip.

Permit # _____

Date ___/___/___ Start Time ____:____

Zone(s) Hunted

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8(Waterfowl Zone) 9

Species Hunted (circle one or more)

Deer Squirrel Rabbit Nutria Waterfowl Hog

Fill out the appropriate drop slips. Drop a slip into one of the drop boxes. You may also use for display in vehicles, boats, canoes, pirogues, etc., to inform the park of your daily location in case of an emergency.

FIREARMS & CROSSBOWS

Hunters possessing loaded firearms (in chamber/magazine) are prohibited in a motor vehicle, in a vessel or boat, or on the hurricane protection levee.

Loaded firearms or crossbows are not allowed outside of designated hunting zones, even when the hunter is traversing such areas to reach a hunting zone.

Firearm hunting is by shotgun only. Handguns and rifles, even during small game season, are prohibited.

Archery hunting is by traditional bow, compound bow, and crossbow only. These are the only legal means of take for all properly licensed hunters.

Possession of any shotgun not approved in the current Louisiana hunting regulation booklet or by United States law is prohibited.

Shotgun-slug barrels are permitted.

Possession of a firearm outside of the dates and times established for shotgun season is prohibited.

Discharge of a firearm outside of designated hunting areas, specific seasons, and times is prohibited.

Primitive weapons are not authorized.

PERMIT APPLICATION

Applications for hunting permits are taken Wednesday-Sunday at the Barataria Preserve Visitor Center, 6588 Barataria Blvd., Marrero (near Crown Point), 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., beginning Saturday, September 5, 2015.

The last day to apply for a permit is Thursday, October 1. To receive your permit, you must pick up your own permit and show a valid photo ID.

First-time hunters at the Barataria Preserve will be required to pass a written test to show familiarity with preserve regulations. The test will be given by a law enforcement park ranger and will make sure that new hunters are familiar with park hunting and safety regulations. Testing will ONLY be conducted on Saturdays and Sundays, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m, during the permitting period September 5-October 1, 2015.

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If you have questions about hunting in the Barataria Preserve, ask a law enforcement park ranger. The preserve phone number is 504-689-3690. Printable copies of this information, the hunting map, and drop slips are available on the park website at www.nps.gov/jela.

THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED IN THE BARATARIA PRESERVE

- Hunting by any means other than shotgun or archery in their respective seasons
- Hunting with lights or a head lamp
- Hunting outside of hunting zones as indicated on available maps.
- Hunting waterfowl anywhere but in Zone 8
- Hunting within 500 feet of a roadway, trail, waterway, levee, dwelling, or hunt zone boundary
- Hunting species other than deer, rabbit, squirrel, nutria, feral hog, and waterfowl
- Feeding or baiting wildlife
- "Driving" or pursuing wildlife or possessing a dog while hunting deer, rabbit, squirrel, nutria, feral hog, and waterfowl (only still hunting is allowed)
- Cutting, damaging or removing vegetation for any reason
- Possessing an ax, machete, or similar cutting device

ALL HUNTING WILL CEASE ON JANUARY 31, 2016

ALL STANDS MUST BE REMOVED BY FEBRUARY 7, 2016