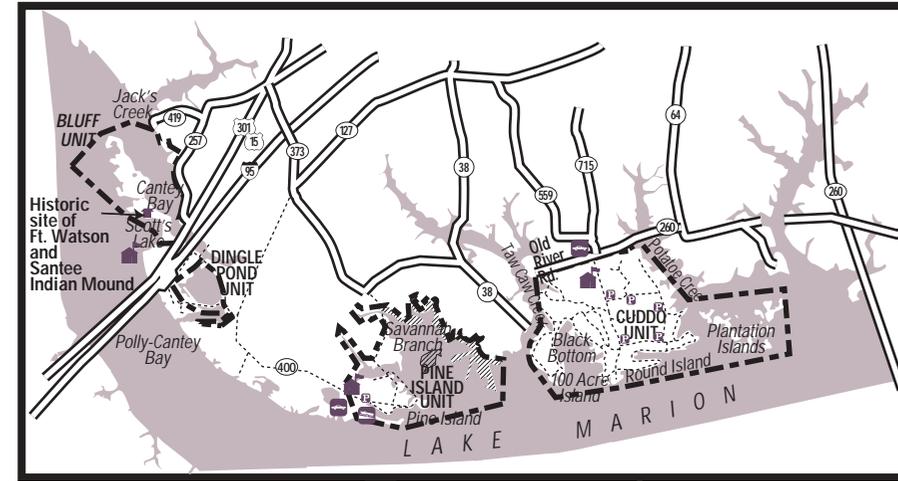
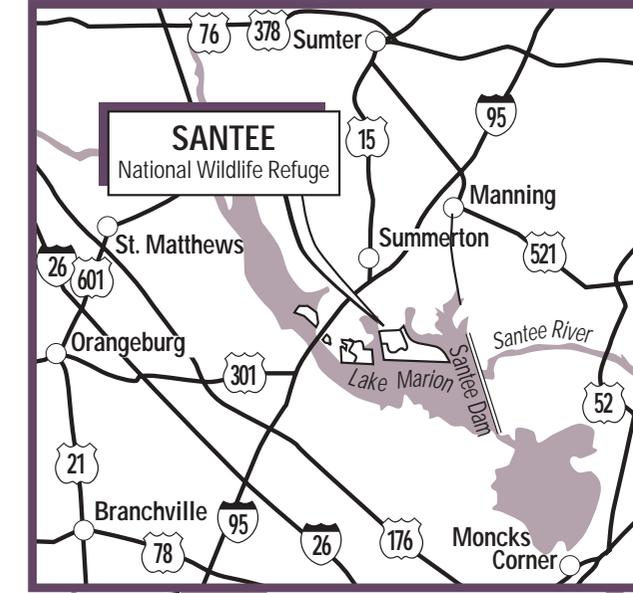


# Santee

## National Wildlife Refuge Hunting Regulations 2004-2005



### Santee National Wildlife Refuge Littering Is Prohibited By Law BLUFF, PINE ISLAND & CUDDO UNITS



Hunt Permit Valid for:  
Big Game, Small Game & Migratory Birds

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

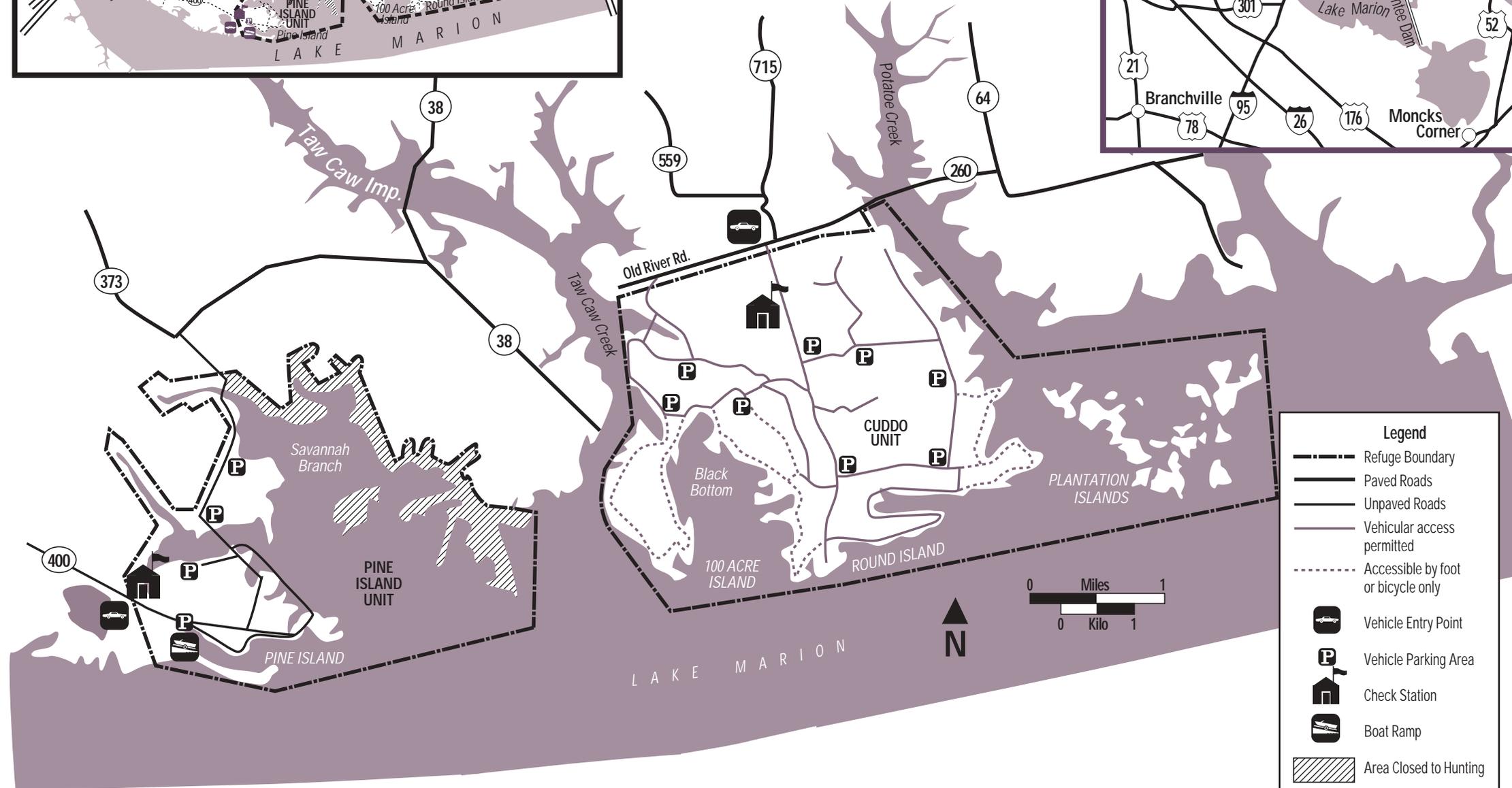
I have read and understand the regulations governing hunting on Santee NWR.

Hunter's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

This permit must be in your possession while hunting and is valid only when signed by the hunter. The permit is valid for the duration of the Santee NWR hunt season.

Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Take pride in your refuge. Do not litter!



**Legend**

- Refuge Boundary
- Paved Roads
- Unpaved Roads
- Vehicular access permitted
- Accessible by foot or bicycle only
- Vehicle Entry Point
- Vehicle Parking Area
- Check Station
- Boat Ramp
- Area Closed to Hunting



## Santee National Wildlife Refuge

### *General Provisions*

Santee National Wildlife Refuge is one of over 540 National Wildlife Refuges in the U. S. and its territories. The mission of this system is to administer a national network of lands and waters for the conservation, management, and where appropriate restoration of the fish, wildlife, and plant resources and their habitats within the U. S. for the benefit of present and future generations of Americans. Hunting is one of many necessary tools used to responsibly manage wildlife populations. Maintaining a balanced population by removing surplus animals ensures the overall health and viability of all wildlife populations that depend on the managed habitats that this refuge provides.

The list below supplements the general regulations that govern the legal use of NWR?s and their hunting programs as set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations. In addition, hunting on Santee NWR will also follow applicable State laws and regulations.

### General Hunting Regulations

*The following regulations apply to all types of hunting on the refuge.*

Non-toxic shot is required when hunting with shotguns.

Hunters must personally check in and out daily at designated hunter check stations when hunting on any portion of the refuge. For safety considerations, hunters utilizing refuge island areas identified as being open to hunting (see map) must indicate same at daily check in.

Non-motorized boats are permitted for access to inland areas open to hunting.

Dogs may be used for dove and raccoon hunting only.

Hunters are required to make a reasonable effort to retrieve wounded game.

### *Special Permits*

A special refuge hunt permit signed by the hunter along with state hunting license, and photo identification (such as a state driver’s license) are required for all hunts and must be in your possession while hunting.

Hunters utilizing the refuge are subject to inspections of permits, licenses, hunting equipment, bag limits, vehicles, and their contents by Refuge or State officers.

### *Vehicles*

Vehicles must be driven only on established roads marked open for travel. Roads marked closed to all vehicles (but open to hunting) may be traveled on foot or bicycle. The speed limit for all roads in the refuge is 15 mph. Vehicles must be parked off of the lane of travel and clear of gates. ATVs are prohibited.

### *Firearms*

All firearms must be unloaded and dismantled (or cased) while being transported in a vehicle.

### *Youth Hunters*

All hunters under the age of 16 must have successfully completed a state approved hunter education program and be supervised by an individual who is at least 21 to participate in any refuge hunts. The adult must be in sight or normal voice range when supervising a youth hunter.

### Prohibited Activities

Distribution of, or hunting over a baited area. The use of illuminating devices for the purpose of spotlighting deer.

Camping, overnight parking, open fires and littering.

Hunting on any unit for wildlife other than which is officially opened and posted.

Entering any areas posted as “Closed” or “No Hunting Zones.”

Hunting on Sunday. Hunting within 100 feet of any roadway or within 300 yards of any residence or designated hunter check station.

Possession of alcoholic beverages.

The use of nails, wire, screws, or bolts to attach a stand to a tree. The possession of axes, hatchets, saws, nails, tacks, paint, or flagging or the marking of trees and shrubs. Painted clothes pins or clothes pins with reflective tacks attached may be used but must include the hunter’s name and hunting license number.

Clothes pins must be removed at the end of the hunt.

Man or dog drives.

Hunting from artificially pruned trees.

### *Other Regulations*

Hunters must wear at least 500 square inches of solid fluorescent orange visible from 360 degrees during firearm seasons. (A hat and vest will fulfill this requirement).

### Seasons and Specific Hunt Regulations

#### *White-tailed Deer*

#### **Pine Island Unit**

Primitive weapons only: October 4-9, 2004

#### **Cuddo Unit**

Archery only: October 11-16, 2004

Primitive weapons only: October 18-23, 2004

#### **Bluff Unit (Youth Only Lottery Hunt)**

Thursday, September 30, 2004

Friday, October 1, 2004

Saturday, October 2, 2004

A special quota Youth Deer hunt will be conducted on the Bluff Unit on the dates listed above. Youth hunters will be selected from applications received by September 24, 2004.

Youth hunters will be allowed to use shotguns with slugs during these special afternoon hunts and must be accompanied by an adult at least 21 years of age. Accompanying adults are prohibited from discharging firearms during Youth Only hunts. Fixed, two-person ladder stands will be provided for Youth Only hunts.

To be eligible for Youth Deer hunts, applicants must be between the ages of 10 to 17, inclusive and must have a valid hunter education certificate. Applications for Youth Only hunts may be obtained by calling the refuge office at 803/478 2217 (Monday through Saturday, 8:00 am until 4:00 pm) or by written request to Santee NWR, 2125 Fort Watson Road, Summerton, SC 29148.

### *Weapons*

Primitive weapons only; long, recurved, or compound bows and muzzle loading (black powder) rifles only. All other weapons including crossbows are prohibited.

### *Bag Limit*

No bag limit for either sex. Antlerless deer tags will be provided by the refuge at the check station.

### *Hours of Entry*

The gates for the hunting areas will be open from 5:00 am until 8:30 pm.

Shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour past sunset.

### *Hunt Stand Placement*

Hunters are limited to one tree stand per person regardless of type. Deer stands on the refuge must be clearly marked with the owner’s name and hunting license number.

**Pine Island** - Stands may be placed on the hunt area on the Friday and Saturday immediately prior to the hunt and must be removed by 5:00 pm on the Sunday immediately following the end of the hunt.

**Cuddo** - Stands may be placed on the hunt area on the Friday and Saturday immediately prior to the Archery hunt and must be removed by 5:00 pm on the Sunday immediately following the end of the Primitive Weapons hunt.

Any stands found within designated hunt areas outside of allowed periods will be confiscated.

### *Scouting*

**Cuddo Unit** - Scouting is permitted during the small game season.

**Pine Island Unit** - Gates will be opened for scouting and stand placement the Friday and Saturday prior to the hunt. Scouting by foot or bicycle is permitted during the month prior to the hunt.

**Due to conflicts between refuge hunt dates and seasons set by the S.C. Department of Natural Resources for squirrel hunting, Santee NWR is unable to provide opportunities to hunt gray squirrels during 2004.**

### Small Game Hunting - Cuddo Unit Only

#### *Mourning Doves*

September 13 - September 25, 2004

#### *Special Regulations*

Mourning dove hunting is permitted according to state and federal laws. Doves may be taken with a shotgun using non-toxic shot size no larger than # 4’s. Ground dove hunting is prohibited.

#### *Raccoon and Opossum*

From 6:00 pm on Monday, March 7, 2005 through 6:00 am on Friday, March 18, 2005, excluding Sunday, March 13, 2005.

#### *Special Regulations*

Night hunting only. Special state regulations on night hunting apply. Raccoons and opossums may be taken with a shotgun using non-toxic shot size no larger than # 4’s or a .22 caliber rimfire rifle.

### Signs Protect Visitors and Resources

Millions of people visit national wildlife refuges each year. The impact of human activity, if not regulated, can degrade these wildlands. Signs control recreational activities while protecting natural resources on the refuge. Please respect the following signs.

This sign delineates the refuge boundary. Entry is permitted only for authorized uses (hunting, fishing, sightseeing, etc.) in accordance with refuge regulations.



This area is closed to all entry. No hunting, fishing or sightseeing is permitted. No roads or trails are open to the public.

This area is closed to all hunting. Firearms and archery equipment are strictly prohibited (see map).

**All hunters must provide the following information:**

*Please tear off this sheet and leave it at the designated check in point.*

If hunting on more than one hunt unit or on multiple days, only one information sheet per hunter is required.

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Hunter’s name

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Hunter’s address line 1

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Hunter’s address line 2

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Hunter’s address line 3

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Drivers License # State of issue

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Hunting License # State of issue

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Telephone number (optional)

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Emergency contact and telephone (optional)

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E-mail address (optional)