



Opossum - raccoon - Nov. 1 to sunrise Dec. 31, except closes at sunset on the day before and during scheduled big game hunts.



Deer - On all hunts, antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15-inch minimum outside antler spread. Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Deer (Archery) - One hunt: Sept. 28 - Oct. 6. Archery equipment only. Area checking stations operated. Entire area open. 2 deer no more than one antlered (deer counts towards statewide bag limit).

Deer (Muzzleloader) - Two hunts: Oct. 24 - 26, Nov. 14 - 16. Station quota per hunt: Genesis 1,000; Bicolor 1,000. One deer, antlered only (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun) - One hunt: Nov. 7 - 9. Station quota: Genesis 1,000; Bicolor 1,000. One deer, antlered only (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun - Young Sportsman) - One hunt: Oct. 19 - 20. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun) - One hunt: Nov. 28 - 30. Entire area open. One deer, antlered only (bonus deer).

Wild Hog (Control Season - Dogs Permitted) - Dec. 4 - 8, 11 - 15. Entire area open. No limit, either sex.

All participants in the hog control season must wear on the upper portion of their body and head a minimum of 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange, visible front and back. Participants may use any legal weapon and ammunition that is legal for taking deer, bear or elk. Legal hours: One-half hour before sunrise to one half-hour after sunset. Checking stations open on Catoosa—all hogs must be transported whole to the checking stations for data collection.

Bullfrog - Apr. 1 - Sep. 1. No hunting during turkey hunts.



Turkey - Six hunts: Apr. 3 - 5, 7 - 9, 14 - 16, 21 - 23, 24 - 26, 28 - 30. One bearded turkey per hunt, counts toward statewide bag limit

Turkey (Young Sportsman) - One hunt: Apr. 18 - 19. One bearded turkey (bonus bird).



Trapping - Dec. 15 - Feb. 29.



Firing Range (Genesis Checking Station) - Open daily except during deer archery hunts and turkey hunts. Daylight hours only. Permit required (See pg. 41).

Shooting Range (Peavine Campground) - Open Apr. 1 - Jan. 31, except closed during deer archery hunts and turkey hunts. Daylight hours only. Permit required (See pg. 41).

305-CHARLOTTE ANN FINNELL NEAL

BRADLEY COUNTY • 495 ACRES
REGION III OFFICE (931) 484-9571 • **SG,WF,BG**

Use of motorized vehicles prohibited.



Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer season closes Dec. 6. Archery equipment only for deer hunting.

Small Game

Small game open Dec. 7 - last day of Feb., except as noted. Squirrel season open from last Saturday in Aug. to Sep. 27, and during spring squirrel season. Dogs are not permitted during spring squirrel season.



Quail - Nov. 2 - Jan. 15.



Dog training - Sep. 1 - Mar. 15.

306-SOUTH CHEROKEE

ALONG THE TENNESSEE-NORTH CAROLINA STATE LINE SOUTH OF THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK • 250,000 ACRES
BRANDON WEAR (423) 884-6767 • **BG**

Includes former Ocoee and Tellico Units. Bear reserves are closed to all big game hunting when the bear season (dogs permitted) is open on the South Cherokee. It is illegal to possess firearms with any breed of dog other than pointing breeds during daylight hours, excluding bear season, except as provided. Cherokee WMA Nonquota Big Game permit (Type 095 or Type 094) or Sportsman License required to hunt the nonquota big game hunts. Some roads normally open to public travel may be closed from Dec. 15 - March 31. Wild hog may be taken during any deer or bear hunt with no limit. During gun and muzzleloader Big Game hunts all wild hog hunters must comply with the blaze orange requirements. A bear hunter who has filled the daily or seasonal limit may continue to carry a firearm and take wild hogs where incidental taking is allowed. Closed to all hunting Mar. 1 through the 4th Friday in Aug., except turkey season.

RESERVE INFORMATION

South Cherokee Bear Reserves

OCOEE BEAR RESERVE

The Cherokee Wildlife Management Area and private inholdings bounded on the north by Ocoee Lake and Ocoee River, on the south by the Tennessee/Georgia state line and on the east and west by the National Forest Boundary.

TELLICO BEAR RESERVE

The Cherokee Wildlife Management Area in Monroe County that lies north of the Tellico-Robbinsville Road, east of Forest Service Road 35, south of Forest Service Road 26 and west of the ridge running from Farr Gap through Little Fodderstack to Big Fodderstack and following the North Carolina state line to the Tellico-Robbinsville Road.

For other bear reserves, see page 40.

HUNT COMPARTMENTS

Cherokee Party Hunt Compartments

UPPER TELLICO

The portion of the Tellico River drainage lying north of the Tellico River Road, south of the North River Road and west of the North Carolina line.

LOWER TELLICO

That portion of the Tellico River drainage lying east of Turkey Creek, north of the Tellico River Road and North of the North River Road, west of the North Carolina state line, and south of the Cherochala Skyway (Hwy. 65).

UPPER BALD RIVER

That portion of the Bald River and Tellico River drainages lying south of the Tellico River Road, south of the Bald River Road, east of the Waucheesi Mountain Road, and north of the North Carolina state line.

LOWER BALD RIVER

That portion of the Bald River and Tellico River drainages lying south of the Tellico River Road, east of the Basin Lead Trail (FS trail 161), and north of the Bald River Road.



Same as statewide, except as noted.



Quail - Nov. 2 - Jan. 15. Small game hunters, except raccoon and opossum hunters, must wear 500 square inches of blaze orange during big game muzzleloader and gun hunts.

Spring squirrel season is closed. Small game hunting in bear reserves and party hunt area during scheduled party hunts prohibited one day before and during bear (dogs permitted) hunts.

Dogs permitted for squirrel hunting outside of bear reserves during bear dog hunts and Jan. 1 - last day of February. Squirrel hunters utilizing dogs during bear hunts are limited to a maximum of 2 dogs per vehicle.

Season open on groundhog, fox and skunk during any small game hunt with weapons legal for that small game hunt. Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season with weapon legal for that scheduled hunt. Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapon legal for that hunt. Bobcat hunting with dogs is prohibited.



Deer/Bear (Archery) - Sept. 14 - 26 one deer, antlered or antlerless, counts toward statewide bag limit. One bear either sex outside the bear reserve.

Deer (Muzzleloader) - One hunt: Oct. 21 - 27. One deer, antlered only (deer counts towards state wide bag limit).

Deer (Gun - Young Sportsman) - One hunt: Oct. 19 - 20. One deer, antlered or antlerless deer counts towards state wide bag limit.

Deer (Gun) - Two hunts: Nov. 16 - Dec. 1; Dec. 18 - 25. Two deer, antlered only (deer counts towards state wide bag limit).



Bear (Gun - Dogs Permitted) - Four hunts: Oct. 5 - 13, Oct 28 - Nov 1, Dec. 2 - 15, Dec 26 - 29. One bear, either sex. Hunting confined to that area outside the Ocoee and Tellico Bear Reserves.

Bear Party-Dog Hunts (Gun - Dogs Permitted) - Four hunts: Oct. 5 - 6; Oct. 12 - 13; Oct. 28 - 29; Dec. 2 - 3. Quota party dog hunts, 75 permits per party. One party permitted in each of the following areas: Upper Tellico, Lower Tellico, Upper Bald River, and Lower Bald River. One bear, either sex. Party-Dog Area closed during scheduled quota party-dog hunts.

Non-hunting juveniles under the age of 13 may accompany an adult hunter (18 years old or older) who has a valid party-hunt permit. Juveniles must also comply with all regulations specified for permitted hunters.



Opossum, Raccoon - Outside of Tellico and Ocoee Bear Reserves Nov. 2 - 14, Jan.1 - last day of Feb. Inside Tellico and Ocoee Bear Reserves Jan 1 - 31, hunters are limited to a maximum of two dogs per vehicle. The only legal weapons on a raccoon hunt are .22 caliber short and long rifles.



Bear Dog Training Season - Sep. 4 - 13. No bears may be harvested. No weapons may be possessed. No training in bear reserves.



Turkey - Same as statewide spring turkey season.



Trapping - Jan. 1 - Feb. 29.



Shooting Range - Open daylight hours only (see page 34).

Safety Zone - On the Cherokee WMA, hunting or discharging a firearm is prohibited within 150 yards of a developed recreation area, campsite, residence, building, occupied area, across or on a National Forest system road. Contact the appropriate U.S. Forest Service office for more information.

Horseback riding - Horseback riding on properties owned by the U.S. Forest Service shall be the same as U.S. Forest Service regulations. Contact the U.S. Forest Service (423-476-9700). On those properties owned or leased by the TWRA, horseback riding is only allowed upon roads opened for vehicle travel. No riding off road into openings, fields, trails or through streams.



Dog training - Dog training prohibited unless otherwise specified. The use or possession of any electronic tracking devices from Mar. 1 - Aug. 15 is illegal. Hunting of coyotes with dogs is prohibited.

307-CHICKAMAUGA

BRADLEY/HAMILTON/MCMINN/MEIGS/RHEA COUNTIES • 4,000 ACRES • SG, WF, BG



SODDY CREEK, SALE CREEK



Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to quail hunting. Deer hunting with archery equipment only. Archery hunters must comply with blaze orange requirements during the statewide deer gun or muzzleloader seasons. Shotguns loaded with No. 4 shot or smaller only (except waterfowl). Waterfowl hunting restricted to use of shotguns loaded with No. 2 shot or smaller.

COTTONPORT, WASHINGTON FERRY, SHELTON BOTTOMS, MUD CREEK, NEW BETHAL, MOON ISLAND, GOODFIELD CREEK, GILLESPIE BEND, LEDFORD ISLAND, AGENCY CREEK, SUGAR CREEK, SOUTH MOUSE CREEK UNITS



Same as statewide hunting and trapping seasons. No waterfowl hunters permitted on Units from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4 a.m. the following day during the duck season(s). Closed to quail hunting.

CANDIES CREEK, JOHNSON BOTTOMS, ROGERS CREEK, YELLOW CREEK UNITS



Same as statewide seasons, except units closed to all forms of trespass including fishing, trapping and hunting for all species except waterfowl from the first opening day of the late duck season until the last day of the late duck season and on the day before and during the Youth Waterfowl hunts. Closed to quail hunting.



Waterfowl - Waterfowl hunting permitted on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday and the first and last day of the duck season. Waterfowl hunting ends at 3 p.m. on Thursday and Friday only. No waterfowl hunters or other activities permitted on units from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4 a.m. the following day during the duck seasons. Hunting is allowed only from registered blinds sites. Blind sites and hunting dates will be allocated through a computer drawing held in September. Quota application period runs from Sep. 4 - 25, 2019. Hunters selected for a blind site may bring up to four additional hunters. No more than five hunters per blind. No blind site may be hunted unless a hunter selected for that assigned blind site and date is present. Hunters may leave in place decoys and a temporary blind at their blind site during their assigned hunt date, but must remove all decoys at the end of their last hunt date. Young Sportsman hunters may hunt blind sites during the youth waterfowl season on a first come, first serve basis. Youth hunters during the youth waterfowl season must enter the hunting area only from established TWRA parking areas.




Dog training - Sep. 1 - Mar. 15, except closed during late duck season.

Wildlife Management Area (WMA) — Icon Key

BIG GAME

 All Big Game	 Deer	 Spring Turkey	 Fall Turkey	 Bear	 Elk
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SMALL GAME

 All Small Game	 Spring Squirrel	 Squirrel	 Dove
 Rabbit	 Quail	 Grouse	 Woodcock
 Snipe	 Crow	 Waterfowl	 Raccoon
 Opossum	 Trapping	 Coyote	

OTHER ICONS

 Wheelchair	 Shooting Range	 WMA Dog Training Season Year-round except as otherwise indicated.
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PERMIT KEY

BG – Big Game quota permit or nonquota WMA annual permit.	SG – Small Game WMA permit or combination waterfowl and small game WMA permit.
WF – Combination waterfowl and small game WMA permit.	NP – No permit required.
HI – High Impact Habitat Conservation Permit	

HOW TO GUIDE

Using the WMA Icons:

Icons indicate that a season is open. If an icon is listed in a WMA, that season is open with possible restrictions that will be listed. If there is no icon listed in the WMA, the season is closed.

If the Big Game and/or Small Game icon is listed, then all Big Game and/or Small Game species are open with the statewide season unless otherwise noted.

The top line of each WMA is a quick reference guide to see what species are open to hunting during the statewide season.

The WMA summaries supply hunt dates, bag limits and special regulations. There are general regulations that may not be listed but apply to all WMAs (pages 40-45). **Read ALL regulations before visiting a WMA.**

If there are special managed hunts or seasons, these will be listed separately underneath each WMA. Specific dates, bag limits, and or restrictions will be listed here.



101-BARKLEY

STEWART COUNTY • 8,090 ACRES
HWY. 79 DOWNSTREAM TO RIVER
MILE 85
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UNIT 1 • SG, WF, BG

All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before each opening day of the statewide duck season.

Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl prohibited in the sub-impoundments during the late duck season(s).



Same as statewide seasons except as noted. Deer and Small Game hunting is only allowed on days waterfowl hunting is closed during the late duck seasons.