

2020 Spring Youth Wild Turkey Hunting Permit Information

SEASON DATES

March 28 & 29 and April 4 & 5, 2020

Note: The North Zone and South Zone are open concurrently for all four days.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Eligibility: The Spring Youth Turkey Hunt is open only to hunters who have not reached their 18th birthday prior to the opening date of the youth season.

Hunters must have an apprentice or youth hunting license, or they must have completed a State Approved Hunter Education course and have a hunting license, unless exempt. In addition, hunters must have a Habitat Stamp, unless exempt.

Hunters are limited to **ONE** Youth Spring Turkey permit, either a Special Hunt Area Permit or a County Permit.

Permits issued for the Spring Youth Turkey Hunt will be counted towards the maximum number of permits a person can be issued for the regular Spring Wild Turkey Season, which is three permits.

Spring Youth Wild Turkey Hunting Permits will only be valid for the dates and county (counties) or Special Hunt Area listed on the permit.

A Spring Youth Wild Turkey Permit allows the holder to hunt with either a shotgun or bow and arrow.

Each Illinois Spring Youth Wild Turkey Hunt permit holder using an Apprentice or Youth Hunting License is required to be accompanied by an adult, 21 years of age or older, who possesses a valid Illinois hunting license. All other hunters using other types of licenses, or who are license exempt, may be accompanied by any responsible adult. If the youth is hunting with a firearm, a nonresident supervisor must have a valid Illinois hunting license. The accompanying adult must be present for the permit holder (youth) to hunt. The supervisor may only accompany a single youth at any given time during the hunt. The adult and/or adult caller is not allowed to hunt but may accompany the youth hunter as a caller or observer.

SPECIAL HUNT AREA APPLICATION INFORMATION

Application Dates: January 21 – February 17

Application Fee: \$10

On-Line Application only

NORTHERN ZONE SPECIAL HUNT AREAS and SEASON DATES
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Butterfield Trail SRA in Iroquois County
Castle Rock SP in Ogle County
Clinton Lake SRA in DeWitt County
Coffeen Lake SFWA in Montgomery County
Harry "Babe" Woodyard SNA in Vermilion County
Heidecke SFWA (Jugtown Unit) in Grundy County
Hidden Springs SF in Shelby County
Iroquois Co SWA in Iroquois County
Jim Edgar Panther Creek SFWA in Cass County
Kankakee River SP in Kankakee/Will Counties
Kickapoo SRA in Vermilion County
Middlefork SFWA in Vermilion County
Momence Wetlands in Kankakee County
Sand Ridge State Forest in Mason County
Sangchris Lake SP in Sangamon/Christian Counties
Weldon Springs SRA (Piatt Co. Unit) in Piatt County

SOUTHERN ZONE SPECIAL HUNT AREAS and SEASON DATES
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Burning Star State Fish and Wildlife Area in Jackson County
Crab Orchard NWF (closed portion) in Williamson County
Eldon Hazlet State Park in Clinton County
Embarras River Bottoms State Habitat Area in Lawrence County
Ferne Clyffe SP - Ferne Clyffe Hunting Area in Johnson County
Ramsey Lake State Park in Fayette County
Sam Dale Lake SFWA in Wayne County
Stephen A Forbes SP in Marion County
Wayne Fitzgerald SRA in Franklin/Jefferson Counties

OTC (OVER-THE-COUNTER) COUNTY PERMIT INFORMATION

Dates Available for Purchase: March 3 – April 5
Permit Fee: \$10.50
Sold over-the-counter by License Vendors

NORTHERN ZONE OPEN COUNTIES and SEASON DATES
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Adams, Boone, Brown, Bureau, Calhoun, Carroll, Cass, Champaign, Christian, Clark, Coles, Cumberland, DeKalb, DeWitt, Douglas, Edgar, Ford, Fulton, Greene, Grundy, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Iroquois, Jersey, JoDaviess, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, Knox, Lake, LaSalle, Lee, Livingston, Logan, Macon, Macoupin, Marshall-Putnam, Mason,

McDonough, McHenry, McLean, Menard, Mercer, Montgomery, Morgan, Moultrie, Ogle, Peoria, Piatt, Pike, Rock Island, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott, Shelby, Stark, Stephenson, Tazewell, Vermilion, Warren, Whiteside, Will, Winnebago and Woodford

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Alexander, Bond, Clay, Clinton, Crawford, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Gallatin- Hardin, Hamilton, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Massac, Monroe, Perry, Pope, Pulaski, Randolph, Richland, Saline, St. Clair, Union, Wabash, Washington, Wayne, White and Williamson

YOUTH HUNTING SITES IN NORTH & SOUTH ZONES

The following sites will be open to **holders of a valid Youth Spring Turkey Hunt County Permit for the county in which the site is located**. Persons wishing to hunt one of the listed sites should contact that site prior to hunting for information about site regulations and restrictions.

Anderson Lake FWA (Fulton County)
Apple River Canyon SP – Thompson & Salem Units (JoDaviess County)
Argyle Lake SP (McDonough County)
Big Bend FWA (Whiteside County)
Big River SF (Henderson County)
Cache River SNA (Johnson/Pulaski/Massac)
Cape Bend SFWA (Alexander County)
Carlyle Lake SFWA (Fayette County)
Carlyle Lake SFWA - East Fork Management Unit (Clinton County)
Copperhead Hollow SWA (Jersey County)
Crab Orchard NWR - Public Hunting Area (Williamson/Jackson/Union)
Crawford County SFWA (Crawford County)
Cypress Pond SNA (Union/Johnson)
Deer Pond SNA (Johnson County)
Devil's Island SFWA (Union/Alexander)
Dog Island WMA (Pope County)
Ferne Clyffe SP - Cedar Draper HA (Johnson County)
Giant City SP (Jackson/Union)
Green River SWA (Lee County)
Hanover Bluff SNA (JoDaviess County)
Horseshoe Lake CA in Alexander County (Alexander County)
Kaskaskia River SFWA (Monroe/Randolph/St. Clair)
Kinkaid Lake SFWA (Jackson County)
Lake Shelbyville Project Land – Moultrie County
Lake Shelbyville Project Land – Shelby County
Mackinaw River SFWA (Tazewell County)
Marshall SFWA (Marshall County)
Mermet Lake SFWA (Massac County)

Mississippi River Area Pools 21,22,24,25 &26 (Adams/Calhoun/Jersey/Pike)
Moraine View SP (McLean County)
Mt. Vernon Game Propagation Center (Jefferson County)
Nauvoo State Park (Max Rowe Unit Only) (Hancock County)
Newton Lake SFWA (Jasper County)
Pere Marquette SP (open area east of Graham Hollow Road only) (Jersey County)
Pyramid SP (Perry County)
Pyramid SP - East Conant Unit (Perry County)
Rall Woods State Natural Area (JoDaviess County)
Ray Norbut SFWA (Pike County)
Rend Lake SFWA (Jefferson/Franklin)
Rend Lake COE (managed land in Jefferson and Franklin counties) (Jefferson/Franklin)
Sahara Woods SFWA (Saline County)
Sam Parr SFWA (Jasper County)
Shelbyville SFWA (Moultrie)
Sielbeck Forest SNA (Massac County)
Siloam Springs SP (Adams/Brown)
Siloam Springs SP (Buckhorn Unit) (Brown County)
Skinner Farm State Habitat Area (Johnson County)
Spoon River SF (Knox County)
Tapley Woods SNA (JoDaviess County)
Ten Mile Creek SFWA (Hamilton/Jefferson)
Trail of Tears SF (Union County)
Turkey Bluffs SFWA (Randolph County)
Union County CA (Union County)
Weinberg-King SP (Schuyler County)
Weinberg-King SP- (Cecil White Unit) (Hancock County)
Weinberg-King SP- (Scripps Unit) (Schuyler County)
Weinberg-King SP- (Spunky Bottoms Unit) (Brown County)
Winston Tunnel SNA (JoDaviess County)
Wise Ridge SNA (Johnson County)
Witkowsky SWA (JoDaviess County)

Please call **217-782-7305** or email us at DNR.Permits1@illinois.gov if you have any questions.