



2007 Managed Waterfowl Hunt at Dameron Marsh and Hughlett Point Natural Area Preserves

Lottery Information and Application

This is an opportunity to hunt **WATERFOWL** at Dameron Marsh Natural Area Preserve and Hughlett Point Natural Area Preserve, both in Northumberland County, Virginia. Half-day hunting will be available for each Tuesday during the last segments of the general duck season.

Hunt Dates: November 20 and 27; December 11, 18, and 25; January (2008) 1, 8, 15, and 22.

- To hunt waterfowl at Dameron Marsh and Hughlett Point, hunters must apply and be chosen by lottery. Application deadline is 5:00 PM, Oct. 12, 2007 and a \$5.00 non-refundable application fee is required. A random drawing will be held on Oct. 15 at 1:00 PM at the Richmond Office of DCR's Division of Natural Heritage located at 217 Governor Street and will be available for public inspection. **Hunters must be 16 years of age or older to apply for this hunt.**
- Successful applicants will have the option of purchasing from one (1) up to a total of three (3) permits @ \$10.00 each for their hunt day, allowing each hunter to form a party consisting of themselves and up to two (2) other hunters. The applicant (Chief-of-Party) will be responsible for payment to DCR and distributing permits to each party member. Permits are non-transferable.
- **AS WITH ALL DCR HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES, PROOF OF COMPLETION OF A HUNTER SAFETY COURSE IS REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNTER. HUNTER SAFETY CERTIFICATES MUST BE IN POSSESSION AND PRESENTED ALONG WITH LICENSES IF CHECKED DURING THE HUNT.**
- Maximum of four hunting parties per hunt day. No stand-by hunting is available.
- One blind per hunt party is land accessible ("walk-in"). All other blinds are accessible by water ONLY. No boat launching is permitted at either preserve.
- It is strongly recommended that permit holders scout the area in advance to find boat ramp and blind locations, and to become familiar with navigating the waters of these exposed and potentially hazardous Chesapeake Bay hunting locations. **YOU MUST BE FAMILIAR WITH THE AREA TO LOCATE BLIND SITES IN THE DARK BEFORE SHOOTING TIME.**
- Specific navigation hazards include but are not limited to large waves, shoals, wooden pilings, pound nets, stationary blinds, and other structures. Water depth and boating conditions can vary drastically with wind direction, wind speed, tidal changes, fog, and other factors.
- Hunting is permitted **ONLY** from: (1) assigned shore blind sites; or, licensed floating blinds positioned at a distance no greater than 100 feet from the assigned shore blind site.
- Only one floating blind per hunt day may occupy a blind site and may not be left unattended.
- Hunting hours are ½ hour before sunrise to 1:00 PM. All hunters are required to stop hunting at 1:00 PM, have all decoys retrieved, and be away from the blind site by 2:00 PM.
- The use of dogs for retrieving waterfowl is strongly recommended.
- Only U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service approved non-toxic shot is allowed for this hunt. Each hunter is limited to 25 rounds of ammunition in possession per hunt day.
- All State and Federal migratory bird regulations and laws apply during hunt. **HUNTERS MUST POSSESS: a VA state hunting license, both state and federal migratory waterfowl stamps, a hunter safety course certificate, and a 2007 – 2008 HIP registration number.** A HIP number may be obtained by calling 1-888-788-9772 or registering on-line at www.dgif.virginia.gov.

HOW TO APPLY:

1. **Hunters must be 16 years of age or older to apply for this hunt.** Complete and mail the following application along with your \$5.00 application fee (check only) payable to NAPF (Natural Area Preservation Fund) to:

Attention: Waterfowl Hunt
Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Division of Natural Heritage
217 Governor Street
Richmond, VA 23219

2. Applications will be accepted until the close of business (5:00 PM) on October 12, 2007.
3. Only successful applicants will be notified – within two weeks of the drawing. **Selected hunters must return the \$10 per hunter Natural Area Preserve permit fee (maximum \$30) by 5:00 PM on Friday, November 2, 2007 to the above address.** No stand-by hunting is available.
4. Your name can only appear one time in the drawing.
ALL DUPLICATE ENTRIES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

**DAMERON MARSH and HUGHLETT POINT NATURAL AREA PRESERVES
2007-08 WATERFOWL HUNT APPLICATION**

****** ALL INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE DISCARDED ******

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone No. () _____ - _____ Date of Birth _____

2007-08 Hunting License # _____ Expiration Date _____

Hunt dates (Tuesdays): November 20 and 27; December 11, 18, and 25; January (2008) 1, 8, 15, and 22.

If desired, indicate your preferred hunt date: _____

Do you wish to be considered for dates other than your indicated date of preference? YES NO

**The Department of Conservation and Recreation reserves the right to
manage hunter access and hunter use on Department owned lands
as deemed appropriate.**

**HUNTER SAFETY CERTIFICATION IS REQUIRED FOR
PARTICIPATION ON THIS AND ALL HUNTS ON DEPARTMENT LANDS.**