

Background Report
Proposed Draft Rule - L. Kirk Edwards Wildlife and Environmental Area.
68A-17.005, Specific Regulations for Wildlife and Environmental Areas.
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68A-17.005 Specific Regulations for Wildlife and Environmental Areas.

(1)-(2) No change.

(3) Northwest Region.

(a)-(b) No change.

(c) L. Kirk Edwards – Leon County.

1. Open seasons for that portion of the area west of Chaires Cross Road: ~~season:~~

a. ~~Gray squirrel~~ – ~~During~~ the open season for gray squirrel established in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.

b. ~~2. Migratory game birds – Migratory game birds may be taken~~ during seasons established in Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

2. Open seasons for that portion of the area east of Chaires Cross Road: Spring turkey – During the first three days of the zonal spring turkey season, and the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of the third and fifth weekends of the zonal spring turkey season.

3. Legal to take: Migratory game birds, gray squirrel, gobblers and bearded turkey only. The take of wild hog is prohibited. During the spring turkey season the bag limit shall be one gobbler or bearded turkey per quota permit. Gobbler and bearded turkey may be taken during the spring turkey season only and the bag limit shall be one per quota permit.

4. General regulations:

a. Vehicles may be operated only on named or numbered roads and shall enter and exit at designated entrances. Vehicle access is prohibited from 1.5 hours after sunset until 1.5 hours before sunrise.

b. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited.

c. Taking wildlife with centerfire rifles is prohibited.

d. The use of swamp buggies, tracked vehicles, all-terrain vehicles or unlicensed and unregistered motorcycles is prohibited.

(4)-(5) No change.

Specific Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.2223, 375.313 FS. History–New 7-1-83, Amended 11-30-83, 7-1-84, 8-21-85, Formerly 39-17.05, Amended 6-1-86, 8-13-87, 8-18-88, 8-17-89, 4-11-90, 7-1-91, 10-31-91, 4-14-92, 4-20-93, 7-1-94, 9-15-94, 3-30-95, 8-15-95, 7-1-96, 4-3-97, 10-28-97, 7-1-98, 8-11-98, 7-1-99, Formerly 39-17.005, Amended 7-1-00, 5-1-01, 6-2-02, 5-25-03, 7-1-04, 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-1-07, 7-1-08, 1-6-09, 7-1-09,_____.