



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
 WALLISVILLE LAKE PROJECT
 GALVESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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FERAL HOG REMOVAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

All Federal, State and Local laws, rules and regulations must be adhered to while hunting at the Wallisville Lake Project (WLP). The following rules and regulations shall govern waterfowl hunting on the Wallisville Lake Project, located in Chambers and Liberty Counties, Texas. Texas state laws and local ordinances for Chambers and Liberty counties apply on the Wallisville Lake Project. These include but are not limited to fishing and hunting laws and regulations. All rules and regulations contained in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 36, Chapter III, Part 3, Rules and Regulations governing the use of water resource development projects administered by the US Army Corps of Engineers must be adhered to.

Please, report violations by contacting a United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Park Ranger or the Park Manager at (409) 389-2285 and/or contact a Texas Parks and Wildlife Game Warden at (512) 389-4848. For emergencies, dial 911.

Any drunkenness; drug-use; disorderly conduct; or violation of the following regulations, CFR Title 36 or Texas State and Federal game laws shall be sufficient cause to expel a hunter from the project and revoke any and all future hunting privileges at Wallisville Lake Project for his or her entire hunting party.

Feral Hog Removal Permit Drawing

Permit drawing applications will only be accepted between Sept 1 and Sept 30. Permit applications may be obtained online and must be sent using the form available in its original format. Applications sent in any other formats will not be accepted at any time. Only one application will be accepted per person/per household. Application must obtain all requested information to be accepted. Applications may be found at the Wallisville Website starting Sept 1.
<http://www.swg.usace.army.mil/Locations/Wallisville-Lake-Project-Office/>

1. Feral Hog Removal Permit Holders, designated as Team Leaders, must be 21 years of age and older and must obtain and be in possession of a Wallisville Lake Project Feral Hog Removal Permit, a current Texas State Hunting License, and proof of hunter's education unless exempt by Texas State Law.
2. Permit holder (Team Leader) will be responsible for carrying valid US Army Corps of Engineers Wallisville Lake Project Feral Hog Removal Permit issued for the current hunting season. Team Leader will make sure all team members understand and know the rules and regulations before hunts. Anyone hunting hogs without a Team Leader being present is in violation of the rules and regulations and state laws regarding permission of land owners to hunt.
3. Feral Hog Removal is authorized by permitted hunters from date of permit issue through August 31 the following year, on Wallisville Lake Project in areas not designated as restricted. The feral hog removal permit is for harvesting hog only while on government property. No animals or wildlife can be hunted or trapped using this permit.
4. Feral Hog Removal is only permissible by use of DOGS or authorized TRAPS. Dogs shall be trained to pursue hogs only. The use of dogs to pursue any other animal and/or livestock is strictly forbidden.
5. Feral Hog Removal with dogs in restricted areas is prohibited. Traps are authorized in these areas with prior approval. Restricted areas include, but are not limited to, areas around parks, areas close to I-10 or other roadways, areas close to homes, the JJ Mayes Wildlife Trace Road, the Lost Lake Oil Field, the water bird resting area (North of I-10 and South of Lost River running east to project border, and all areas east of the Trinity River and south of I-10. For a detailed listing of prohibited areas please visit the Wallisville Lake Project Office or view the map located on the Wallisville Lake Project website at <http://www.swg.usace.army.mil/Locations/Wallisville-Lake-Project-Office/>
6. All Traps must be live traps only. Trap locations shall be out of public view and approved by project staff prior to placement. All trapped hogs must be removed from Government property in a timely manner.

Permit No. _____ **Permit Holder's Name:** _____ **Initials:** _____

7. There should be no trespassing on private property to gain access to the project without the landowner's permission. Entry is by boat or foot only. Motorized vehicles will not be allowed off of maintained roadways on any USACE property. Violators are subject to citations, fines, and impoundment of motor vehicles in violation.

8. The Hog Removal Permit holder is authorized a small caliber PISTOL (.22 or less) as a sidearm for the dispatch killing of captured hogs. No other firearms are allowed on US Army Corps of Engineers property while hunting hogs. Pistols must be unloaded until ready to dispatch hog and unloaded once the killing of hog is completed. Pistols must be properly holstered and secured during hunting. Unauthorized weapons will result in automatic revocation of hog hunting privileges for the entire party and may result in citation.

9. Use of bait for the purpose of luring hogs is allowed. Bait must be manipulated in such a way as not to attract deer, livestock, waterfowl, or any other animals. Shallow burial of bait is known to be an effective measure for targeting hogs and deterring other animals.

10. Park Rangers can designate specific areas as "off-limits" to hunting, to protect and preserve property. Park Rangers may also call for certain areas to be temporarily off-limits when the need arises to maintain a safe atmosphere during special events.

11. Hunting may not disturb wildlife, deny public access or damage any environmental, historical, or cultural feature. Removal of cultural objects (artifacts), or acts of defacement and/or vandalism of signage, gates, cables, posts, monuments, or other controlling or boundary features, constitutes a VIOLATION.

12. By the first Monday of following each month, Permit Holders shall report the following information to the Park Rangers:

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| a) Permit Number issued | e) Locations hunted | g) Location and number of |
| b) Number of hogs taken | f) Upcoming month's GPS | Feral Hogs spotted but |
| c) Number of days hunted | locations of traps. | not hunted. |
| d) Number of dogs used | | |

13. Reporting will be accomplished through accessing and completing an online hog reporting form (Wallisville Hog Removal Report), and sending to: HuntWallisville@usace.army.mil. The first occurrence of failure to turn in reports on time will result in a written warning. The second occurrence will result in revocation of Hog Removal Permit.

14. "Pack it in – Pack it out." Any waste generated as a result of a hunt must be removed when the hunter leaves the project, at the end of each day's hunt. Waste is any litter including but not limited to: food waste, dog waste, and bait packaging. Any refuse left, will be grounds for revocation of permit.

15. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is not responsible for any loss or damage to hunter's property.

16. Transportation and release of live feral hogs is unlawful, unless in compliance with Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) regulations. The TAHC regulates the movement of feral swine for disease-control purposes. For more information please call TAHC at (800) 550-8242 or visit tahc.state.tx.us.

I, _____, agree to all of the above rules and regulations governing Feral Hog

Removal on Wallisville Lake Project lands. Permit No.: **WLP-HRP-2019-**_____

Signature: _____, Date: _____