

CHAPTER 6230

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS

6230.0100 DEFINITIONS.

Subpart 1. **Scope.** The terms used in this chapter have the meanings given them in this part.

Subp. 2. **Special goose season.** "Special goose season" means an open season for the taking of geese where quotas exist on the numbers of hunters or harvest or a season that is restricted in area or time from the regular statewide seasons.

Subp. 3. **Waterfowl season.** "Waterfowl season" means any open season for the taking of migratory waterfowl.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 14.06*

History: *18 SR 83*

6230.0200 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS.

Subpart 1. **Areas requiring a permit to trap.** The following wildlife management areas are open to trapping with a permit:

- A. Carlos Avery in Anoka and Chisago counties;
- B. Hubbel Pond in Becker county;
- C. Red Lake in Beltrami and Lake of the Woods counties;
- D. Talcot Lake in Cottonwood and Murray counties;
- E. Mille Lacs in Mille Lacs and Kanabec counties;
- F. Lac qui Parle in Big Stone, Lac qui Parle, Swift, and Chippewa counties;
- G. Roseau River in Roseau county;
- H. Thief Lake in Marshall county; and
- I. Whitewater in Olmsted, Wabasha, and Winona counties.

Subp. 2. **Trapping permits.** On areas where trapping permits are required, the number of trapping permits may be limited to avoid undue depletion of the furbearer resources or to prevent excessive crowding of trappers. The wildlife manager may establish a method, including a drawing, for impartially selecting the persons who may trap. An application for a trapping permit may be rejected if the trapper has failed to submit a trapping report for the previous season. Permits may be revoked at any time if the permittee violates any law or regulation or fails to comply with the requirements of the permit.

Subp. 3. **Areas closed to migratory waterfowl hunting.** The Gordon F. Yeager Wildlife Management Area in Olmsted county and the Carl Schmidt Wildlife Management Area in Morrison county are closed to the taking of migratory waterfowl.

Subp. 4. **Areas with hunting, trapping, and firearms restrictions.** The Bayport Wildlife Management Area in Washington county and the Raguet Wildlife Management Area in Scott and Carver counties are:

A. closed to the trapping of unprotected mammals, except when there is an open trapping season for a protected species;

B. closed to the possession of firearms unless unloaded and contained in a case, except that shotguns with only No. 4 buckshot or smaller diameter shot may be used during the small game season in posted areas; and

C. open to the possession and use of lawful archery equipment in designated hunting areas during established hunting seasons.

In the Bayport Wildlife Management Area, all firearms will be allowed on the specified rifle range when supervised by the Minnesota Department of Corrections.

Subp. 5. **Areas closed to hunting and trapping.** The Boerner Wildlife Management Area in Sibley county, the Buelow Wildlife Management Area in Steele county, the Bryson Wildlife Management Area in Freeborn county, and the Hutchinson Wildlife Management Area in McLeod county are closed to the hunting and trapping of all species.

Subp. 6. **Areas closed to hunting only.** The Hearing Island Wildlife Management Area in St. Louis county and the Pine City Wildlife Management Area in Pine county are closed to the hunting of all species.

Subp. 7. **Areas open to waterfowl hunting only.** The Gold Portage Wildlife Management Area in Koochiching and St. Louis counties is open to waterfowl hunting during the established season. It is closed to all other hunting and to trapping.

Subp. 8. **Areas open to hunting beginning with the opening of waterfowl season.** The Uppgaard Wildlife Management Area in Crow Wing county is open to hunting and trapping beginning on the opening date of the regular migratory waterfowl season. Unprotected species may not be taken, except during the same time and by the same methods legal to take protected species.

Subp. 9. **Areas closed to firearms deer hunting.** The Lake Blanche Wildlife Management Area in Otter Tail county and a portion of the Timber Lake Wildlife Management Area (as posted) in Jackson county are closed to firearms deer hunting.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 86A.06; 97A.045; 97A.137; and others at 19 SR 6*

History: *18 SR 83; 19 SR 484; 19 SR 2222*

STATE GAME REFUGES

6230.0300 PERMIT REQUIRED TO TRAP BEAVER AND OTTER.

A person may not trap beaver or otter within any state-owned game refuge without first obtaining a permit from the appropriate wildlife manager.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97A.045; 97A.091*

History: *18 SR 83*

6230.0400 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR STATE GAME REFUGES.

Subpart 1. **Albert Lea Game Refuge, Freeborn county.** The Albert Lea Game Refuge in Freeborn county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 2. **Bemidji Game Refuge, Beltrami county.** The Bemidji Game Refuge in Beltrami county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl, through October 31;
- B. trapping for beaver, mink, and muskrat only; and
- C. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 3. **Camp Ripley State Game Refuge, Morrison county.** Hunting in the Camp Ripley State Game Refuge in Morrison county is allowed only by permit as provided by parts 6232.0900 to 6232.1100.

Subp. 4. **Claremont Game Refuge, Dodge county.** The Claremont Game Refuge in Dodge county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl;
- B. trapping; and
- C. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 5. **Clay County Game Refuge, Clay county.** The Clay County Game Refuge in Clay county is open to:

- A. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- B. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 6. **Clearbrook Game Refuge, Clearwater county.** The Clearbrook Game Refuge in Clearwater county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl, through December 31;
- B. trapping through December 31;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 7. **Cross Lake Game Refuge, Crow Wing county.** The Cross Lake Game Refuge in Crow Wing county is open to:

- A. trapping; and
- B. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 8. **East Minnesota River Game Refuge, Blue Earth and Le Sueur counties.** The East Minnesota River Game Refuge in Blue Earth and Le Sueur counties is open to deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 9. **Elizabeth Lake Game Refuge, Isanti county.** The Elizabeth Lake Game Refuge in Isanti county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 10. **Erhard's Grove Game Refuge, Otter Tail county.** The Erhard's Grove Game Refuge in Otter Tail county is open to:

- A. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- B. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 11. **Evansville Game Refuge, Douglas county.** The Evansville Game Refuge in Douglas county is open to:

- A. trapping; and
- B. deer and bear hunting by firearms.

Subp. 12. **Fish Lake-Ann River Game Refuge, Kanabec county.** The Fish Lake-Ann River Game Refuge in Kanabec county is open to trapping.

Subp. 13. **Fox Lake Game Refuge, Martin county.** The Fox Lake Game Refuge in Martin county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl;
- B. trapping;
- C. special goose hunts;
- D. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- E. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 14. **German Lake Game Refuge, Isanti county.** The German Lake Game Refuge in Isanti county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 15. **Glencoe Izaak Walton League Game Refuge, McLeod county.** The Glencoe Izaak Walton League Game Refuge in McLeod county is open to trapping.

Subp. 16. **Gopher Campfire Game Refuge, McLeod county.** The Gopher Campfire Game Refuge in McLeod county is open to trapping.

Subp. 17. **Hanley Falls Game Refuge, Yellow Medicine county.** The Hanley Falls Game Refuge in Yellow Medicine county is open to deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 18. **Hiawatha Game Refuge, Pipestone county.** The Hiawatha Game Refuge in Pipestone county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl, by shotgun only;
- B. trapping; and
- C. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 19. **Howard Lake Game Refuge, Wright county.** The Howard Lake Game Refuge in Wright county is open to trapping.

Subp. 20. **Itasca State Park, Becker, Clearwater, and Hubbard counties.** Itasca State Park in Becker, Clearwater, and Hubbard counties is open to firearms deer hunting, except where posted as closed.

Subp. 21. **Lac qui Parle Game Refuge, Chippewa and Lac qui Parle counties.** The following special provisions apply to the Lac qui Parle Game Refuge, Chippewa, and Lac qui Parle counties:

A. Those portions within the Lac qui Parle State Recreational Area, Mission Site, or that are posted to prohibit trespass are closed to hunting. The remainder of the refuge is open to deer hunting and to small game hunting, except during the goose season in the Lac qui Parle Goose Zone where small game hunting is allowed only at designated hunting stations as provided by parts 6230.0500 to 6230.1100.

B. From September 20 to December 1, a person may not trespass on any part of the refuge which is posted with signs prohibiting trespass during this period, except that, beginning the day after the goose season closes within the Lac qui Parle Goose Zone, fishing is permitted in the posted area.

C. A person may not trespass on Rosemoen Island at any time during the year.

Subp. 22. **Lake Ripley Game Refuge, Meeker county.** The Lake Ripley Game Refuge in Meeker county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl, after the waterfowl season; and
- B. trapping after the waterfowl season.

Subp. 23. **Lake Winona Game Refuge, Douglas county.** The Lake Winona Game Refuge in Douglas county is open to trapping.

Subp. 24. **Linn Lake Game Refuge, Chisago county.** The Linn Lake Game Refuge in Chisago county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 25. **Little Pine Lake Game Refuge, Otter Tail county.** The Little Pine Lake Game Refuge in Otter Tail county is open to trapping.

Subp. 26. **Lost Lake Game Refuge, Fillmore county.** The Lost Lake Game Refuge in Fillmore county is open to:

- A. small game hunting;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 27. **Lower Pigeon Lake Game Refuge, Itasca county.** The Lower Pigeon Lake Game Refuge in Itasca county is open to:

- A. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- B. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 28. **Madelia Game Refuge, Watonwan county.** The Madelia Game Refuge in Watonwan county is open to:

- A. small game hunting;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 29. **Minnetonka Game Refuge, Carver and Hennepin counties.** The Minnetonka Game Refuge in Carver and Hennepin counties is open to:

- A. small game hunting;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 30. **Moscow Game Refuge, Freeborn county.** The Moscow Game Refuge in Freeborn county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 31. **Nerstrand Woods Game Refuge, Rice county.** The Nerstrand Woods Game Refuge in Rice county is open to deer hunting by muzzleloader special permit only.

Subp. 32. **Oak Lake Game Refuge, Polk county.** The Oak Lake Game Refuge in Polk county is open to trapping.

Subp. 33. **Ocheda Lake Game Refuge, Nobles county.** The Ocheda Lake Game Refuge in Nobles county is open to trapping.

Subp. 34. **Park Rapids Game Refuge, Hubbard county.** The Park Rapids Game Refuge in Hubbard county is open to trapping.

Subp. 35. **Paul Bunyan Game Refuge, Hubbard county.** The Paul Bunyan Game Refuge in Hubbard county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl, through the Thursday nearest November 4;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer hunting by muzzleloader during the muzzleloader season; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery through the Thursday nearest November 4.

Subp. 36. **Pigeon River Flowage Game Refuge, Itasca county.** The Pigeon River Flowage Game Refuge in Itasca county is open to:

- A. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- B. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 37. **Pine County Game Refuge, Units 1, 2, and 3, Pine county.** The Pine County Game Refuge, Units 1, 2, and 3 in Pine county are open to:

- A. small game hunting;
- B. trapping; and
- C. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 38. **Polk–Clearwater Game Refuge, Polk and Clearwater counties.** The Polk–Clearwater Game Refuge in Polk and Clearwater counties is open to:

- A. trapping; and
- B. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 39. **Rochester Refuge, Olmsted county.** The Rochester Refuge in Olmsted county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms and bow and arrow; and
- D. the taking of unprotected wild animals at any time and by any legal method.

Subp. 40. **St. Croix River Game Refuge, Washington county.** The St. Croix Game Refuge in Washington county is open to:

- A. small game hunting;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 41. **St. James Game Refuge, Watonwan county.** The St. James Game Refuge in Watonwan county is open to:

- A. trapping; and
- B. special goose hunts.

Subp. 42. **Sand Dunes Game Refuge, Sherburne county.** The Sand Dunes Game Refuge in Sherburne county is open to:

- A. small game hunting;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 43. **Schoolcraft Game Refuge, Hubbard county.** The Schoolcraft Game Refuge in Hubbard county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl, through the Thursday nearest November 4;
- B. trapping; and
- C. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 44. **Stearns County Game Refuge, Stearns county.** The Stearns County Game Refuge in Stearns county is open to:

- A. small game hunting;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 45. **Stillwater Game Refuge, Washington county.** The Stillwater Game Refuge in Washington county is open to:

- A. small game hunting;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 46. **Sunnyside Township Game Refuge, Wilkin county.** The Sunnyside Township Game Refuge in Wilkin county is open to trapping.

Subp. 47. **Swan Lake Number 2 Game Refuge, Nicollet county.** The Swan Lake Number 2 Game Refuge in Nicollet county is open to:

- A. small game hunting;
- B. trapping;
- C. deer and bear hunting by firearms; and
- D. deer and bear hunting by archery.

Subp. 48. **Talcot Lake Waterfowl Refuge, Cottonwood county.** Waterfowl hunting, in an area adjacent to the Talcot Lake Waterfowl Refuge in Cottonwood county, is prohibited within the right-of-way of State Trunk Highway 62 from the Cottonwood-Murray county line on the west to the junction with County State Aid Highway 7, Cottonwood county, on the east.

Subp. 49. **Warroad Game Refuge, Roseau county.** The Warroad Game Refuge in Roseau county is open to trapping.

Subp. 50. **Whitewater Game Refuge, Winona county.** The Whitewater Game Refuge in Winona county is open to:

- A. small game hunting, except waterfowl, by bow and arrow or firearms using No. 4 buckshot or smaller diameter lead or steel shot or .22 caliber rimfire only;
- B. trapping by permit; and

C. firearms deer hunting only by permit.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97A.091; and others at 19 SR 6*

History: *19 SR 484; 19 SR 2222*

CONTROLLED HUNTING ZONES

6230.0500 GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR CONTROLLED HUNTING ZONES.

The following regulations apply to all persons within a controlled hunting zone:

A. Except for the retrieval of downed birds, the taking of waterfowl is limited to the area within ten feet of each designated hunting station provided a person complies with all other refuge and trespass regulations.

B. Only one hunting group, consisting of no more than three hunters, may occupy a designated hunting station at a time.

C. Persons occupying a hunting station must fulfill all license requirements to hunt waterfowl.

D. A person may not leave any refuse, offal, or feathers in the controlled hunting zone or in any parking lot.

E. Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed or possessed at any of the hunting stations.

F. A person may not loiter in areas between the designated hunting stations.

G. Dogs must be on a leash except within ten feet of stations or while retrieving, and must be under control at all times.

H. After each party member has bagged a limit of Canada geese, or expended a limit of shells, the party must promptly leave the station.

I. No trailers of any kind are allowed in designated parking lots.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97A.092; and others at 19 SR 6*

History: *19 SR 484*

6230.0600 DESCRIPTIONS OF CONTROLLED HUNTING ZONES.

Subpart 1. **Establishment of controlled hunting zones.** Controlled hunting zones with designated hunting stations are established on portions of or adjacent to certain wildlife management areas and game refuges as described.

Subp. 2. **Thief Lake Zone, Marshall county.** On the Thief Lake Wildlife Management Area in Marshall county, the controlled hunting zone includes the following:

The Southwest Quarter of Section 8, the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW 1/4 SW 1/4) of Section 9, the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW 1/4 SW 1/4) of Section 11, the West Half (W 1/2) of Section 17, and the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section 20; as well as portions of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter (S 1/2 SE 1/4) of Section 8, the South Half of the South Half (S 1/2 S 1/2) of Section 9, the South Half (S 1/2) of Section 10, the South Half of the South Half (S 1/2 S 1/2) of Section 11, the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW 1/4 SE 1/4) of Section 20, Township 158 North, Range 41 West.

Subp. 3. **Lac qui Parle Zone, Chippewa, Swift, Big Stone, and Lac qui Parle counties.** The following areas are included in controlled hunting zones in the Lac qui Parle Zone in Chippewa, Swift, Big Stone, and Lac qui Parle counties:

A. On the Lac qui Parle Wildlife Management Area in Chippewa, Swift, Big Stone, and Lac qui Parle Counties, the controlled hunting zone includes the following:

The Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW 1/4 SW 1/4) and the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE 1/4 SW 1/4) of Section 32, Township 119 North, Range 42 West, and the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW 1/4 NE 1/4) and the East Half of the Northwest Quarter (E 1/2 NW 1/4) of Section 5, Township 118 North, Range 42 West, all in Lac qui Parle County.

And also the East Half of the Northwest Quarter (E 1/2 NW 1/4), the East Half of the Southwest Quarter (E 1/2 SW 1/4) and the West Half of the West Half of the

Southeast Quarter (W 1/2 W 1/2 SE 1/4) of Section 12, Township 118 North, Range 42 West, the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE 1/4 SW 1/4), the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) except that part lying northeasterly of State Hwy. 7, the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NE 1/4 SE 1/4), and those parts of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) owned by the state and posted as "Wildlife Management Area, Controlled Hunting Zone," all in Section 1, Township 118 North, Range 42 West, all in Chippewa County.

And also all state owned land posted as "Wildlife Management Area, Controlled Hunting Zone" located between U.S. Hwy. 59 and County State Aid Highway 33, Chippewa County, in Sections 6 and 7, Township 118 North, Range 41 West, all in Chippewa County.

And also the West Half of the Northwest Quarter (W 1/2 NW 1/4), the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4), the West Half of the Southeast Quarter (W 1/2 SE 1/4) and the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4 SE 1/4) of Section 36, Township 119 North, Range 42 West, all in Chippewa County.

B. On the Lac qui Parle Game Refuge in Chippewa and Lac qui Parle counties, the controlled hunting zone includes the 200 yard wide area which is outside of and immediately adjacent to the area within the following described boundary:

Beginning at the intersection of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 13, Chippewa County, and CSAH 33, Lac qui Parle County, thence East along CSAH 13 to the southeast corner of Section 13, Township 118 North, Range 42 West, thence North along the Township road to the northeast corner of said Section 13, thence West along the township road to the southeast corner of the West Half of the West Half of the Southeast Quarter (W 1/2 W 1/2 SE 1/4) of Section 12, Township 118 North, Range 42 West; and beginning at the northeast corner of the West Half of the Southwest Quarter (W 1/2 SW 1/4) of Section 12, Township 118 North, Range 42 West, thence West along the North side of said West Half of the Southwest Quarter (W 1/2 SW 1/4) of Section 12, Township 118 North, Range 42 West, to County Road 32, Chippewa County, thence North along County Road 32 to the intersection of CSAH 12, Chippewa County, thence West along CSAH 12 to the intersection of County Road 31, Chippewa County, thence along County Road 31 to State Trunk Highway 40; and beginning at the intersection of State Trunk Highway 40 and CSAH 33 in Lac qui Parle County, thence southeasterly along CSAH 33 to the intersection with CSAH 13, Chippewa County, the point of beginning.

C. Designated hunting stations are also established in Lac qui Parle State Recreation Area, Lac qui Parle county, where waterfowl hunting is permitted subject to the provisions of part 6230.0700.

Subp. 4. **Elm Lake Zone, Marshall county.** On the Elm Lake Wildlife Management Area in Marshall county, the controlled hunting zone includes the following:

The North 200 yards of Sections 1 and 2, Township 155 North, Range 41 West, adjacent to the South boundary of the Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge.

Subp. 5. **Roseau River Zone, Roseau county.** The following areas are included in the controlled hunting zones in the Roseau River Zone in Roseau county:

A. On the Roseau River Wildlife Management Area in Roseau county, the controlled hunting area includes the following:

The South Half of the South Half (S 1/2 S 1/2) of Section 12, and the South Half of the South Half (S 1/2 S 1/2) of Section 11, Township 163 North, Range 42 West.

B. On the Roseau River Game Refuge in Roseau county, the controlled hunting zone includes the 200 yard wide area which is east of and immediately adjacent to the following described portion of the refuge boundary:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Section 1, Township 163 North, Range 42 West; thence South 1-3/4 miles along County State Aid Highway 3 to the southeast corner of the North Half of the Southeast Quarter (N 1/2 SE 1/4) of Section 12, Township 163 North, Range 42 West.

Subp. 6. **Rochester Zone, Olmsted county.** On the Rochester Game Refuge in Olmsted county, the controlled hunting zone includes the 200 yard wide area lying outside of

the refuge and immediately adjacent to the following described portion of the refuge boundary:

Beginning at the intersection of County State Aid Highway 117 and County Road 8; thence along the southern, western and northern boundaries of the refuge to the center of Section 18, Township 107 North, Range 13 West.

Subp. 7. Talcot Lake Zone. On the Talcot Lake Game Refuge and Sanctuary in Cottonwood county, the controlled hunting zones include the East Side Zone and the West Side Zone:

A. The East Side Zone is the 200 yard wide area which is outside of the Talcot Lake Game Refuge and Sanctuary and immediately adjacent to the following described boundary as posted:

Beginning along County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 7, Cottonwood County at the center of Section 17, Township 105 North, Range 38 West; thence South along CSAH 7 to State Trunk Highway (STH) 62.

B. The West Side Zone is the 200 yard wide area which is west and north of and immediately adjacent to the following described boundaries:

Starting at a point on the north shore of Talcot Lake 600 feet east of the west line of Section 19, Cottonwood County, Township 105 North, Range 38 West; thence North to the north line of Section 19, Township 105 North, Range 38 West; thence North to a point 325 feet north of the south line and 600 feet east of the west line of Section 18, Cottonwood County, Township 105 North, Range 38 West; thence due East to the north-south refuge line.

Subp. 8. Orwell Zone. On the Orwell Wildlife Management Area Sanctuary in Otter Tail county, the controlled hunting zone includes the following:

The west 200 yards of Section 26, Township 132 North, Range 44 West, adjacent to County Road 15 from the northwest corner of the Orwell Wildlife Sanctuary South to the Otter Tail River.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97A.092; and others at 19 SR 6*

History: *19 SR 484*

6230.0700 THIEF LAKE (EARLY) AND LAC QUI PARLE SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

Subpart 1. Time periods for special provisions. In addition to the regulations provided by part 6230.0500, the following subparts apply to all persons. In the Thief Lake controlled hunting zone, the regulations in this part apply during the period from the opening day of the goose season to the Monday nearest October 22. In the Lac qui Parle controlled hunting zones, these regulations apply during the open season for taking geese in the Lac qui Parle Goose Zone.

Subp. 2. Hunting stations. Waterfowl and small game hunters may reserve designated hunting stations in accordance with regulations available at the Thief Lake and Lac qui Parle Wildlife Management Area Headquarters. Reservation dates may not be changed.

Subp. 3. Back tag permit required. A person may not hunt migratory waterfowl or small game in the controlled hunting zone without first registering at the check station and obtaining a back tag permit. Back tags must be worn as specified on the permit. Hunters age 18 or older will be charged a \$3 daily fee for the Lac qui Parle back tag permit. Failure to comply with the provisions of the permit or special provisions relating to the controlled hunt will result in immediate revocation of the permit for that day.

Subp. 4. Limitation on number of shells possessed. Only persons hunting may bring shotgun shells into the controlled hunting zone. A waterfowl or small game hunter may not bring in more than six shells per day or have in possession more than six shells at any one time.

Subp. 5. Firearms must be cased. Waterfowl and small game hunters must have firearms cased, except within ten feet of assigned hunting stations.

Subp. 6. Actions after taking bag limit. Within one hour of hunt completion each party member must personally return their entry permit to the check station and submit any geese taken for inspection.

Subp. 7. **Limitation on number of trips.** Waterfowl and small game hunters are limited to three trips per season either as a guest or a successful applicant except when vacancies exist. Hunters are limited to one trip per day to the hunting stations.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97A.092; and others at 19 SR 6*

History: *19 SR 484*

6230.0800 THIEF LAKE (LATE) SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

Subpart 1. **Time period for special provisions.** In addition to the general regulations, the following subparts apply to waterfowl hunters in the Thief Lake Controlled Hunt Zone during the period from the Tuesday nearest October 23 to the close of the goose season.

Subp. 2. **Designated hunting station.** Waterfowl hunters must use designated hunting stations and on a first come first served basis. Hunters are limited to one trip per day to the hunting stations.

Subp. 3. **Revocation of permit.** Failure to comply with the provisions of the permit or special provisions relating to the controlled hunt will result in immediate revocation of the permit for that day.

Subp. 4. **Firearms must be cased.** Waterfowl hunters must have their firearms cased except within ten feet of their designated hunting station.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97A.092; and others at 19 SR 6*

History: *19 SR 484*

6230.0900 ORWELL SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

Subpart 1. **Time period for special provisions.** In addition to the general regulations, the following subparts apply to all persons in the Orwell Controlled Hunting Zone during the regular goose season.

Subp. 2. **Designated hunting stations.** Hunters may hunt only at the designated hunting stations having numbers corresponding to their parking stall number.

Subp. 3. **Restrictions on entry to zone.** Persons may not enter the controlled hunting zone except when their vehicles are occupying numbered parking stalls in the designated parking lot in the controlled hunting zone. Persons other than those hunting at a designated station in the controlled hunting zone may not occupy a numbered stall in a designated parking lot.

Subp. 4. **Firearms must be cased.** All firearms must be cased except within ten feet of a hunting station.

Subp. 5. **Restrictions on occupancy of designated parking lot and hunting stations.** A person may not park in or otherwise occupy any parking stall in the designated parking lot or occupy any designated hunting station during any two consecutive days or from one hour after the close of daily waterfowl shooting hours to 8:00 p.m.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97A.092; and others at 19 SR 6*

History: *19 SR 484; 19 SR 2222*

6230.1000 ROSEAU RIVER AND ROCHESTER REGULATIONS.

Subpart 1. **Time period for special provisions.** In addition to the general regulations, the following subparts apply to all persons in the Roseau River and Rochester Controlled Hunting Zones during the open goose seasons.

Subp. 2. **Limitations on persons hunting.** The wildlife manager may limit persons hunting to one day of hunting in every three if the manager determines that it is necessary to provide for the equitable allocation of hunting opportunities. If hunting is limited, the manager will stamp the date on the small game hunting license or firearms safety certificate of each person at a restricted hunting station. Persons may hunt at any restricted station on the day stamped but may not occupy a restricted station for the next two days. Restricted stations will be posted.

Subp. 3. **Restrictions on occupancy of designated parking lot and hunting stations.** A person may not occupy a hunting station or a designated parking lot from one hour after the close of daily waterfowl shooting hours to 8:00 p.m.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97A.092; and others at 19 SR 6*

History: *19 SR 484*

6230.1100 TALCOT LAKE SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

Subpart 1. **Time period for special provisions.** In addition to the general regulations, the following subparts apply to all persons in the Talcot Lake Controlled Hunting Zone during the open Canada goose season.

Subp. 2. **Hunting prohibited.** Hunting, other than waterfowl, is prohibited in the West Side Controlled Hunting Zone.

Subp. 3. **Limitations on persons hunting.** The wildlife manager may limit persons to one day of hunting in every three if the manager determines that it is necessary to provide for the equitable allocation of hunting opportunities. If hunting is limited, the manager will stamp the date on the small game hunting license or firearms safety certificate of each person at a restricted hunting station. Persons may hunt at any restricted station on the day stamped but may not occupy a restricted station for the next two days. Restricted stations will be posted.

Subp. 4. **Designated hunting stations.** Waterfowl hunters must hunt only at the designated hunting stations having numbers corresponding to their parking stall number.

Subp. 5. **Restrictions on entry to zone.** Persons may not occupy a hunting station within the controlled hunting zone except when their vehicles are occupying numbered parking stalls in a designated parking lot in the controlled hunting zone. Persons other than those hunting at a designated hunting station may not occupy a numbered stall or park in a designated parking lot.

Subp. 6. **Restrictions on occupancy of designated parking stall and hunting stations.** A person may not park in or otherwise occupy any parking stall in the designated parking lot or occupy any designated hunting station from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97A.092; and others at 19 SR 6*

History: *19 SR 484*

**NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES AND
FEDERAL WATERFOWL PRODUCTION AREAS**

6230.1200 GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES AND FEDERAL WATERFOWL PRODUCTION AREAS.

Subpart 1. **Waterfowl production areas open unless posted.** Unless otherwise posted, waterfowl production areas are open to hunting and trapping.

Subp. 2. **Refuges closed to taking of otter.** National wildlife refuges are closed to the taking of otter.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97B.305; 97B.311; 97B.411; 97B.505; 97B.515; 97B.605; 97B.711; 97B.731; 97B.803*

History: *18 SR 83*

6230.1300 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES.

Subpart 1. **National wildlife refuges open to hunting.** The national wildlife refuges described in the following subparts are open to the hunting and trapping of protected wild animals during the state seasons and subject to special federal regulations, except as otherwise provided.

Subp. 2. **Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge, Marshall county.** Portions of Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge in Marshall county are open to firearm hunting of deer and moose. Areas closed to hunting are posted as "Area Beyond This Sign Closed," or as shown on maps available at Refuge Headquarters.

Subp. 3. **Big Stone National Wildlife Refuge, Big Stone and Lac qui Parle counties.** Portions of Big Stone National Wildlife Refuge in Big Stone and Lac qui Parle counties are open to firearm and archery hunting of deer, muzzleloader hunting of deer by permit, and firearm hunting of cottontail rabbit, jack rabbit, gray squirrel, fox squirrel, red and gray fox, gray partridge, and pheasant in areas posted as "Public Hunting Area" or as shown on maps available at parking areas and Refuge Headquarters.

Subp. 4. **Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Aitkin and Pine counties.** Portions of Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge in Aitkin and Pine counties are open to firearm hunting

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of deer by special permit, archery hunting for deer in designated areas, cottontail rabbit, snowshoe hare, gray squirrel, fox squirrel, ruffed grouse, spruce grouse, woodcock, and snipe in areas posted as "Public Hunting Area" or as shown on maps available at Refuge Headquarters.

Subp. 5. **Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge, Sherburne county.** Portions of Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge in Sherburne county are open to firearm and archery hunting of deer and firearm hunting of cottontail rabbit, jack rabbit, snowshoe hare, gray squirrel, fox squirrel, ruffed grouse, pheasant, woodcock, Wilson's snipe, sora rail, and Virginia rail. Hunting in closed areas and target shooting are prohibited. Maps of hunting areas are available at Refuge Headquarters.

Subp. 6. **Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge in Becker county.** Portions of Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge in Becker county are open to firearm and archery hunting of deer and firearm hunting of cottontail rabbit, jack rabbit, snowshoe hare, gray squirrel, fox squirrel, ruffed grouse, snipe, woodcock, rails, coots, and waterfowl in areas posted as "Public Hunting Area" or as shown on maps available at Refuge Headquarters.

Subp. 7. **Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge, Wabasha, Winona, and Houston counties.** Portions of the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge located in Wabasha, Winona, and Houston counties are open to hunting except as follows: Hunting is prohibited between March 1 and September 1, except that hunting of wild turkey is permitted during the spring turkey seasons. In areas posted closed, hunting of all protected species, except geese, is permitted beginning the day after the close of the duck season. For more information contact Refuge Headquarters.

Subp. 8. **Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, and Scott counties.** Portions of the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge known as Louisville Swamp located near Carver in Scott county, and the Wilkie Unit in Scott county, are open to deer hunting in accordance with state and special regulations. Portions of the refuge in Hennepin, Scott, Carver, and Dakota counties may be open to waterfowl hunting. Areas open will be posted with signs saying "Open to Waterfowl Hunting – Special Regulations in Effect – Consult Refuge Manager." Other areas may be open to waterfowl hunting by special use permit.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97B.305; 97B.311; 97B.411; 97B.505; 97B.515; 97B.605; 97B.711; 97B.731; 97B.803*

History: *18 SR 83; 19 SR 2222*