

Pheasant Draw Information

Game Bird Areas

This page includes information and instructions for those interested in or selected to participate in a reserved draw hunt opportunity. It is important to note that areas participating in reserved hunts are managed by various agencies and may have unique restrictions that each hunter must follow. Please read each area's information packet carefully before pursuing a hunt.

Applying:

You must be properly licensed to hunt game birds prior to applying. Visit our [Game Bird](#) page to learn more about license requirements. There are no age restrictions on applying. Youth hunters may apply if they are properly licensed to hunt game birds. A special youth day is available to apply for the first Saturday of November.

Allowed Equipment: Shotguns only. Lead shot is allowed. Shot size of 4 to 6 is recommended.

Bag Limit:

Only rooster pheasants may be harvested. Hens are protected. The limit is two (2) roosters per hunter.

Other small game (dove, quail, woodcock, and rabbits) may be legally harvested if in season. State bag limits apply. No waterfowl or other non-small game may be harvested.

Hunting Hours:

Hunting hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ET; 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. CT. If you are selected to hunt multiple Game Bird Habitat Areas, you are allowed to leave a property and return to it later in the day. You must stop hunting all areas at 3 p.m. ET.

Hunt Information:

A total of three (3) hunters/participants are allowed, and one must be the individual who was drawn. No additional people will be given access for any reason. Your hunting party will be the only hunters on this property on this date (Pine Creek and Goose Creek GBAs have multiple hunt units). If you find other hunters on your assigned property, please notify the DNR TIP hotline immediately at 800-847-4367. Please note that these properties are hunted for deer on days upland hunting does not occur and deer stands will likely be seen while hunting. All hunters must have proper licenses and Game Bird Stamps.

Area information: The Game Bird Habitat Area Program consists of thirty-three unique properties scattered across Benton, Jasper, Newton, Warren, and White counties.

Contact:

If you have further questions, please contact the Willow Slough FWA property office at 219-285-2704.