

LITTLE CREEK WILDLIFE AREA

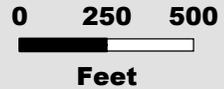
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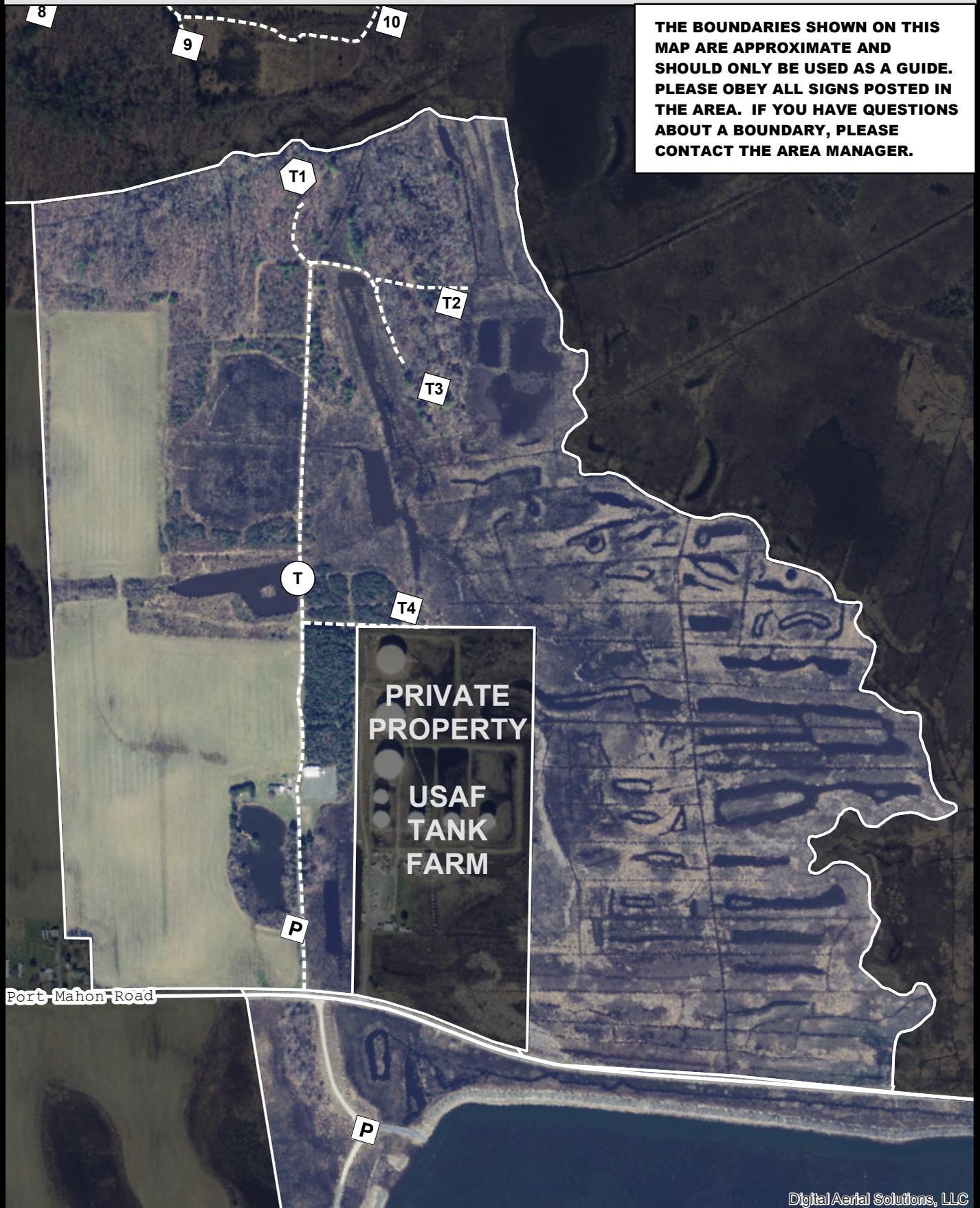
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-  Wildlife Area
-  Trails
-  Parking
-  Deer Stand
-  Disabled Accessible Deer Stand
-  Disabled Accessible Duck Blind



THE BOUNDARIES SHOWN ON THIS MAP ARE APPROXIMATE AND SHOULD ONLY BE USED AS A GUIDE. PLEASE OBEY ALL SIGNS POSTED IN THE AREA. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT A BOUNDARY, PLEASE CONTACT THE AREA MANAGER.



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Persons may hunt on the Little Creek Wildlife Area – Tarburton Tract only as directed by these rules, which have been established by Regulation 3908 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code.

Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year. Failure to return harvest data card will result in loss of hunting privileges, as accurate harvest data is vital to proper management of this area.

A STAND/BLIND PERMIT MUST BE SHOWN BY EACH HUNTER PRIOR TO OBTAINING A DAILY HUNTING PERMIT DURING ALL DEER FIREARMS AND WATERFOWL SEASONS.

Some areas may be closed to allow mentored hunting opportunities.

A. DEER – FIREARMS

1. **Deer Hunting will not be open for the Special October Antlerless Firearms Season.** Deer hunting will be **open all days during all other firearms deer seasons except January shotgun and January handgun season** when the area will be open on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays only.
2. A handgun may be used in place of a shotgun for deer hunting during any deer season when a shotgun is the legal weapon.
3. All hunters must check in at the **Little Creek Checking Station** prior to hunting. For the muzzleloader and shotgun seasons, daily lotteries will be held 1 ½ hours before legal shooting time and at 12:00 noon. Hunters are advised to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the lottery.
4. All permits **MUST** be returned to the Checking Station at the end of the days hunt. **FAILURE TO ACCURATELY REPORT HARVEST AND RETURN PERMITS WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF HUNTING PRIVILEGES.** A blank card will be interpreted as zero (0) harvest.
5. Deer hunters will park in the appropriate parking lot (see map) and go directly to their stands.
6. Hunters may not drive deer and must hunt from state-built deer stands.

B. DEER – ARCHERY & CROSSBOW

1. Archery and crossbow hunters must register at the tag board located at the parking lot. **No one must register prior to 4:00 am the morning of the hunt.**
2. Hunters must place tags on empty hooks when registering and sign the registration sheet. If no empty hooks are available, the zone is full. Hunters must remove tags when leaving the area.
3. Hunters may use state-built stands, portable stands or hunt from the ground. Archers may hunt anywhere within the tract except the safety zone. No permanent stands may be built and all parts of portable stands must be removed at the end of the days hunt. No screw-in tree steps allowed. Stand availability is first-come, first-serve.
4. Archery & crossbow hunting allowed Monday – Saturday during the archery season. Hunters must obtain permits through the daily lottery during the firearms deer seasons. (See Section A.3) Archery & crossbow hunting is closed during the Special Youth Deer Hunt.
5. Archery & crossbow hunters must abide by rules of firearm hunters when hunting during firearms seasons.

C. DEER – DISABLED HUNTERS

Deer hunting location HDT is available for non-ambulatory hunters. See the Delaware Hunting & Trapping Guide. All other deer stands have been modified to accommodate less severely disabled hunters.

D. SMALL GAME, FALCONRY, FOX, COYOTE, AND TURKEY HUNTING

1. Upland game (gray squirrel, rabbit, pheasant, quail, dove, woodcock, snipe, and crows) hunting (including

falconry) will be allowed during the appropriate firearms seasons by permit only on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays during November, December, January and February. Upland game hunting is closed during December Antlerless Deer Season.

2. Permits will be issued by lottery at **8:00 am at the Little Creek Checking Station.** Hunters must vacate area by 3:30 pm daily.
3. One party, of up to four (4) hunters, will be given a permit at any one time. Upland hunters may not take or attempt to take waterfowl.
4. **Fox hunting allowed in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations.**
5. **Turkey hunting** is allowed with a valid Little Creek Wildlife Area turkey permit.

E. WATERFOWL – DISABLED HUNTERS

1. Permits for the disabled hunter (Blind T) will be issued by lottery. The daily lottery for this blind will be conducted at 11:00 am the day prior to the hunt. **For additional information, call the Little Creek Checking Station (739-4610).**
2. Hunting days: Opening days, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday during duck Season. The blind may be open during certain parts of the snow goose season. Hunters are advised to contact the Little Creek Checking Station to find out when the blind is open. The Division reserves the right to close the blind at any time to create refuge conditions for wintering Canada geese. This blind will not be open during any firearm deer season. Special regulations will apply during the Snow Goose Conservation order starting in early February.

F. DOG TRAINING –

Rabbit dogs may be trained on Sundays during September, October, and November except for the Sunday during shotgun deer season.

FIREARMS REGULATIONS - No firearms on Division lands from March 1 - August 31 except by permit during legal hunting seasons or authorized by the Division of Fish and Wildlife. The discharge or possession of paintball guns is prohibited.

VEHICLE REGULATIONS -.No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted. Licensed motorized vehicles are only permitted on established and maintained roads.

ALCOHOL- Persons under the influence of alcoholic beverages, liquors, or drugs or possessing and/or consuming alcoholic beverages, liquors, or drugs shall not be permitted to hunt and/or possess firearms on Division lands.



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For further information, contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife, Dover, Delaware 19901 Phone: 302-284-4795 or 302-739-9912 or the Little Creek Check Station at 302-739-4610.

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