

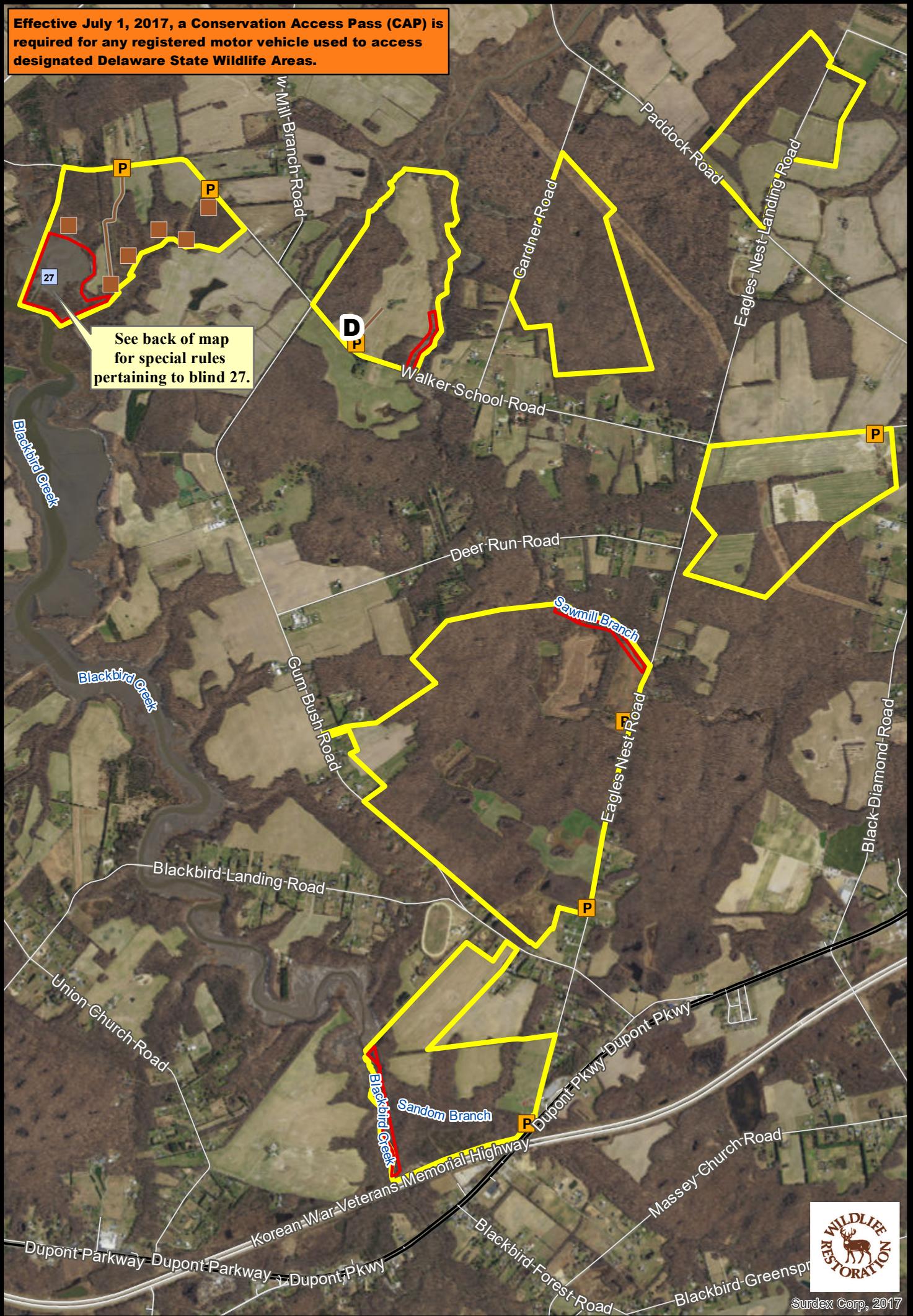
EAGLES NEST WILDLIFE AREA

Hunting

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See back of map for special rules pertaining to blind 27.



Surdex Corp., 2017

- Wildlife Area
- No Waterfowl Hunting
- CAP Required
- Deer Stand
- Waterfowl Blind
- Dove Field
- Dirt Road

THE BOUNDARIES SHOWN ON THIS MAP ARE APPROXIMATE AND ARE ONLY TO BE USED AS A GUIDE.

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Effective July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

Persons may use state wildlife areas only as directed by the following rules, which have been established by Wildlife Regulations 3900 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code. Please refer to the **General Overview** map for additional access and allowable use information.

***As of July 1, 2017, a Conservation Access Pass (CAP) is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated public lands owned or managed by the Division of Fish & Wildlife. For more information go to www.de.gov/fw or call (302)739-9912.**

GENERAL RULES

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

DEER HUNTING

**** SUNDAY DEER HUNTING PERMITTED. SEE SUNDAY DEER HUNTING MAPS FOR OPEN AREAS AND HUNTING IMPLEMENT RESTRICTIONS ****

1. Deer hunters may hunt anywhere (excluding posted refuges and safety zones).
2. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. Temporary portable stands may be placed after August 1 and must be removed by February 15. Any stands remaining after this date will be removed and become property of the Division of Fish and Wildlife.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Handguns are permitted during any firearm season where shotguns are allowed. This area is open for the January handgun season.
6. Deer drives are permitted according to state laws.

UPLAND HUNTING

A. Small Game

1. Small game hunters must display at least 250 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Small game hunting is permitted anywhere (excluding posted refuges and safety zones) in season.
3. Rabbit hunting closed during December antlerless and January shotgun deer seasons.
4. Hunting prohibited within posted refuges and safety zones and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
5. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 6, 13, 20, 27, October 4, 25, November 1, 8.

B. Dove

1. No person shall hunt doves on state wildlife areas during the early season while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot.
2. Regulated dove field (**D**) located on the Collins Burrows Tract available by lottery only on Opening day, Labor Day, and all Saturdays of the early season. Lotteries held at 12:00 p.m. at the Cedar Swamp Check Station. Hunting hours on regulated fields are from 1:00-5:00 PM. No dove hunting on Collins Burrows Tract permitted outside of the regulated dove field during the early season.
3. Dove hunting permitted on all tracts other than Collins Burrows Tract (excluding posted refuges and safety zones) during early season, no permit required.

4. Dove hunting permitted on entire area (excluding posted refuges and safety zones) during late seasons, no permit required.

C. Turkey

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

D. Furbearers

1. Trapping is prohibited.
2. Raccoon hunting is permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Fox and coyote hunting permitted in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

WATERFOWL HUNTING

1. Waterfowl hunting is permitted anywhere (excluding posted refuges and safety zones) except for along the banks of the Saw Mill Branch and Blackbird Creeks and within tidal portions of the Bell Tract (see map), in season.
2. Blind 27 on the Bell Tract will be issued through the Cedar Swamp Check Station. No waterfowl hunting is permitted in tidal areas of the Bell Tract outside of Blind 27. See Cedar Swamp maps for lottery days and times.
3. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off of established roadways.
4. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.



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For further information contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife at (302) 739-9912 or the New Castle County HQ at (302) 834-8433.

For emergencies or to report violations please call the Enforcement Section at 1-800-523-3336.