Hunter Orange Requirements

Hunters and those accompanying hunters in areas where modern gun or muzzleloader deer, bear or elk seasons are open must wear at least 400 square inches of hunter orange, chartreuse or blaze camouflage above the waist and a head garment of those same safety colors. Safety colors are not required for migratory bird hunters in these areas. See Page 73 for hunter orange requirements on ground blinds on WMAs.

Hunting Dogs

Up to two dogs can be used to trail wounded deer after hunters have notified the AGFC Radio Dispatch toll-free at 800-482-9262.

Each hunting dog must have a collar with its owner’s name, phone number and address. Waterfowl retrievers do not need to wear collars while hunting or retrieving as long as the collar bearing the owner’s name, address and phone number is carried. Handguns or shotguns with blank ammunition may be used while training bird dogs.

Individuals or organizations may temporarily hold captive raccoons, foxes, coyotes or pen-raised quail, chukar or pheasant for the purposes of dog training or sanctioned field trials with the approval of the AGFC Chief of Wildlife Management.

Using dogs to chase wildlife for pleasure is prohibited April 1-May 15 with these exceptions: 1) hunting within fox and coyote enclosures, 2) during sanctioned field trials, and 3) chasing for pleasure is allowed from 60 minutes after sunset until 60 minutes before sunrise.

During the youth turkey hunt, the use of dogs to chase wildlife is only allowed from 60 minutes after sunset to 60 minutes before sunrise.

Dogs may be used to chase deer for training purposes Oct. 1-Dec. 31, from 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset, only in deer zones where dogs can legally be used for hunting deer during the modern gun deer seasons, except during a muzzleloader deer season. Possession of a killing device is prohibited when using dogs to chase wildlife for pleasure or when training/allowing dogs to chase deer unless a modern gun deer season is open when and where dogs are allowed.

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