

**YOUTH WATERFOWL LOTTERY APPLICATION 2017
WHITE LAKE WETLANDS CONSERVATION AREA**

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
2000 Quail Drive, Room 418
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is holding a guided youth waterfowl hunt on November 4, 2017 and November 5, 2017 on the White Lake Wetlands Conservation Area near Gueydan, Louisiana. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries will sponsor these hunts. Up to eight applicants will be selected to participate each morning.

To participate in the youth lottery waterfowl hunt applications must be completed and received in Room 418 of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries building by close of business September 14, 2017. *(Please note there are no application fees for the youth hunts at White Lake)* Mailing address: Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Attention: White Lake Youth Waterfowl Hunt at 2000 Quail Drive, Room 418, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70808. **Applicants must be between 10 and 17 years of age on their selected hunt date. In addition all applicants must have a certificate showing they have satisfactorily completed an LDWF approved Hunter Education Course.** Applicants can only be selected for one hunt for the 2017 White Lake Youth Lottery Hunt however you can request both dates listed below to optimize your chances of being drawn

Each blind will accommodate a maximum of 2 people (the successful applicant and a parent or guardian) plus the guide. Successful applicants will be notified. **Selected applicants will not be allowed to transfer their hunt.** In the event the applicant is not able to participate on the date selected, he or she should notify the White Lake WCA hunt coordinator (Wayne Sweeney 337-536-9400 ext. 1) and the Department will attempt to fill the slot with a hunter from an alternate list. This hunt is being held during the waterfowl youth weekend that was established by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, therefore only hunters under the age of 18 are allowed to possess a firearm and shoot.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Telephone No. (Home): _____ E-Mail _____

HUNTER SAFETY ID #: _____

Please check the dates that you would like to apply for.

_____ November 4 (Saturday)

_____ November 5 (Sunday)

**RULES AND REGULATIONS
WHITE LAKE WETLANDS CONSERVATION AREA
YOUTH WATERFOWL LOTTERY HUNTS**

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has established a guided lottery youth waterfowl hunt on the White Lake Wetlands Conservation Area near Gueydan, Louisiana that has the potential to provide excellent waterfowl hunting. The hunt will be limited to 2 persons/unit (a youth between the ages of 10 and 17 and a parent or guardian). All hunters will hunt with a guide. The primary purpose of these hunts is to provide a quality experience for young waterfowl hunters. Strict adherence to the following rules and regulations will be required to ensure a safe and enjoyable hunt.

1. **SAFETY IS FIRST AND FOREMOST IN EVERYONE’S MIND. NO LOADED FIREARMS EXCEPT WHILE HUNTING IN THE BLIND. TAKE EVERY PRECAUTION TO HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE HUNT.**
2. Selected participants must arrive at the designated site and at the designated time outlined on your notification letter. Anyone arriving after the designated time will not be allowed to enter the area. Hunting will end no later than 9:00 a.m.
3. Guide and blind assignments will be made the morning of the hunt.
4. Access will be provided to a designated parking area. Transportation from the parking area to the site will be provided.
5. Legal firearms, as specified in the hunting regulations pamphlet; NO 10-gauge shotguns will be allowed.
6. Persons engaging in “sky busting” will be asked to leave.
7. No retrievers/dogs will be allowed.
8. Hunters will be responsible for removing **all litter** from the area.
9. Only hunters between the ages of 10 and 17 will be allowed to possess and shoot a firearm.
10. **All hunters must have a certificate showing they have satisfactorily completed an LDWF approved Hunter Education Course.**
11. **Hunters should be familiar with the firearm they will be shooting and be capable of handling it in a safe manner.**