



HEBRON STATE FISH HATCHERY 2016 YOUTH MENTOR WATERFOWL HUNT OVERVIEW



Hunt Location: The Hebron State Fish Hatchery is located in Licking Co., 1.5 miles south of Hebron, OH 43025, at 10517 Canal Rd.

Hunt Information Contacts: Monday – Friday between the hours of 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Hebron State Fish Hatchery, 740-928-8092, or Wildlife District 1, 614-644-3925.

Hunt Dates and Hours: Selected Saturdays (only) during the 1st segment of the general waterfowl season in the **SOUTH ZONE**. Each successful applicant will receive their assigned hunting date by mail in mid-September. Youth hunters will be assigned to only one of the available dates. The 2016 hunt dates are as follows: Saturdays October 22 & 29, and November 5, 2016.

Youth hunters may hunt from ½ hour before sunrise to sunset. Hunting hours may be found in the Official Sunrise/Sunset Tables for **Eastern Ohio** in the *2016-2017 Ohio Waterfowl Hunting Seasons brochure (Publication 5295)* or at www.wildohio.gov.

Hunt Details: 3 youth hunters (per day) will receive one permit allowing access for themselves and one other youth hunter of their choice. The accompanying adult if fully licensed **will** be permitted to hunt alongside the youth hunters. One fully licensed hunting adult, 18 years of age or older must accompany (up to) two youth hunters (no more than 2 youth hunters in the same blind on the same day). Adults must accompany the youth hunters at all times. The adult must stay within a distance from the youth hunters that enables uninterrupted, unaided visual and auditory communications.

Each successful applicant will receive their hunting blind assignment by mail in mid-September. Youth hunters will be assigned to one of three separate hunting blinds. Fully camouflaged, box-type hunting blinds are provided in pre-determined locations. All hunting must take place from the assigned blind or within 75 yards of the assigned blind when pursuing wounded birds. Boats are not necessary, but good quality hip boots or chest waders are highly recommended for accessing blinds and retrieving downed waterfowl. Hunters are also encouraged to bring their own decoys and dogs. Hunters must use non-toxic shot only and there is a limit of 25 shells per hunter.

Pre-Hunt Scouting: Youth hunters (accompanied by an adult, 18 years or older) may scout their assigned hunting blind location between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM on the Sunday before the Saturday they are assigned to hunt.

Bag Limits: Hunters may take all legal waterfowl in accordance with bag limits set for the South Zone for the 2016-17 waterfowl hunting season. Refer to the *2016-2017 Ohio Waterfowl Hunting Seasons brochure (Publication 5295)* or www.wildohio.gov for more details.

Hunting Methods: All state and federal rules and regulations applicable to the Statewide Waterfowl Season are also in effect during the Hebron State Fish Hatchery Youth Waterfowl Hunt. Refer to the *Ohio Migratory Game Bird Seasons, 2016 brochure (Publication 5298)* or www.wildohio.gov for more details on applicable hunting methods.



OHIO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE 2016-17 HEBRON FISH HATCHERY YOUTH MENTOR WATERFOWL HUNT REGULATIONS

A Special Youth Mentor Hunting Permit is required to hunt waterfowl on the Hebron Fish Hatchery on selected dates during the Ohio Waterfowl Season; 1st Segment, South Zone. Please read this document carefully, as you will be required to closely adhere to all special regulations.

1. **Youth hunters age 17 or younger** (hereinafter referred to as *youth hunters*) are eligible to hunt during the Hebron Fish Hatchery Youth Waterfowl Hunt on selected Saturdays. All youth hunters age 17 or younger must possess a valid 2016 Ohio Hunting License, Youth Hunting License or Youth Apprentice Hunting License and H.I.P. certification. All youth hunters age 16-17 must also have proof of purchase of a 2016 Federal Migratory Bird Hunting & Conservation Stamp. The Ohio Wetlands Habitat Stamp is not required for anyone younger than 18 years of age.
2. The youth hunters must be accompanied by a fully licensed hunting mentor who is 18 years of age or older (hereinafter referred to as *mentor hunter*). The mentor hunter must possess a valid 2016 Ohio Hunting License, proof of purchase of both a 2016 Ohio Wetlands Habitat Stamp and a 2016 Federal Migratory Bird Hunting & Conservation Stamp and H.I.P. certification. The adult hunter **may** hunt, take or attempt to hunt or take waterfowl.
3. One adult hunter may supervise no more than two youth hunters at a time. No more than two youth hunters may utilize the same hunting blind at the same time on the same day.
4. The **Hebron State Fish Hatchery Youth Mentor Waterfowl Hunting Permit** (hereinafter referred to as the *Permit*) allows the mentor hunter and youth hunters to enter the Hebron Hatchery Waterfowl Hunting Area and/or to occupy the assigned hunting blind on the following dates & times and only for the purposes specified:
 - **On the Sunday prior to the assigned hunting date:** 8AM-5PM to scout the assigned hunting blind location.
 - **The Saturday you are assigned to hunt:** Within the Waterfowl Hunting Area from one hour before legal shooting time to one hour after sunset; hunting only during legal shooting hours. The 2016 hunt dates are as follows: Saturdays October 22 & 29, and November 5, 2016.
5. The Permit is only valid when the mentor hunter is present. The mentor hunter and the accompanying youth hunters must carry the Permit with them at all times while scouting and hunting within the Hebron Hatchery Waterfowl Hunting Area.
6. The Permit may be transferred to another mentor hunter and youth hunters prior to the Saturday you are assigned to hunt. Once the mentor hunter and the accompanying youth hunters occupy their assigned hunting blind, the Permit may no longer be transferred to another adult hunter and youth hunters.
7. Vehicles must be parked in designated parking area only.
8. No off-road vehicles are allowed. The mentor hunter and the accompanying youth hunters must walk to and from their assigned hunting blinds. Access for mobility impaired participants must be pre-arranged. Please notify the Hebron State Fish Hatchery Supervisor at least one week prior to the hunt if assistance is needed.
9. The mentor hunter and the accompanying youth hunters may proceed to their assigned hunting blind one hour before legal shooting time on their hunt date. Legal shooting hours may be found in the Official Sunrise/Sunset Tables for **Eastern Ohio** in the *2016-2017 Ohio Waterfowl Hunting Seasons* brochure (Publication 5295) or online at www.wildohio.gov.
10. Hunters may travel between their vehicles and hunting blinds as necessary throughout the day.
11. The mentor hunter must accompany the youth hunters at all times. The mentor hunter must stay within a distance from the youth hunters that enables uninterrupted, unaided visual and auditory communications.
12. Hunting for game animals other than waterfowl is prohibited.
13. Placing, distributing, or scattering grain or feed capable of luring, enticing or attracting waterfowl (baiting) is prohibited.
14. Shooting must take place at the assigned blind, or within 75 yards of the assigned blind when pursuing a wounded bird.
15. In addition to these special regulations, all state and federal rules and regulations applicable to the Statewide Waterfowl Season are also in effect during the Hebron State Fish Hatchery Youth Waterfowl Hunt. State and federal regulations related to hunting waterfowl and other migratory game birds may be found in the *Ohio Migratory Game Bird Seasons, 2016* brochure (Publication 5298) or at www.wildohio.gov.

HEBRON STATE FISH HATCHERY YOUTH WATERFOWL HUNTING BLINDS



-  HATCHERY BOUNDARY
-  HUNTER PARKING
-  WATERFOWL HUNTING AREA
-  WALKING PATH

