

2023 Wild Turkey Draw Information Jasper-Pulaski Fish & Wildlife Area

This page includes information and instructions for those interested in or selected to participate in a 2023 Indiana Wild Turkey Draw Hunt. It is important to note that areas participating in reserved hunts are managed by various agencies and may have unique restrictions that each hunter must follow. Please read each area's information packet carefully before pursuing a hunt.

Applying:

The application period for the 2023 Wild Turkey Draw Hunt is from Feb. 19, 2023, to March 19, 2023. Late applications will not be accepted. A valid hunting license and Game Bird Habitat stamp for spring turkey hunting must be obtained prior to applying. Each hunter is eligible to select one hunt period from any participating property when applying. There are no age restrictions. All properly licensed hunters may apply.

Restrictions:

Allowed Equipment:

- A 410 caliber and 10-, 12-, 16-, 20-, or 28-gauge shotgun loaded with pellets of size No. 4, 5, 6, 7, or 7½. Shot sizes smaller than size 7½ must be made of Tungsten Super Shot or equivalent pellet density only, such as Tungsten Super Shot 9 and 10.
- A muzzleloading shotgun not smaller than 20-gauge and not larger than 10-gauge, loaded with pellets of size 4, 5, 6, 7, 7½, and Tungsten Super Shot 9 and 10. Combination loads using shot sizes other than these are illegal.
- A bow and arrow or crossbow.

Bag Limit:

- The bag limit is one bearded or male turkey for the spring season.

Hunting Hours:

- All DNR properties managed by the Division of Fish & Wildlife have spring season hunting hours from one half hour before sunrise until noon CT (1 p.m. ET). All others are required to stay out of the field until after this time.

Tagging Requirements:

- Immediately upon killing a turkey, the hunter must complete a temporary transportation tag on paper stating the hunter's full name, address, sex of the turkey, license number (if applicable), and the date the turkey was taken before transporting the turkey from the field.

Reporting Requirements:

- Hunters are required to register their harvested turkey within 48 hours of the kill. This can be done one of three ways:
 - Self-reporting online through the DNR's CheckIN Game system (CheckINgame.dnr.in.gov).
 - Calling 800-419-1326 (a \$3 fee applies).
 - Finding a check station, license vendor, or retailer who will file the information for you through CheckIN Game.

Once the turkey is registered with the CheckIN Game system, a confirmation number will be generated. The number must be recorded on a temporary transportation tag and kept with the turkey until processing begins. For a printable version of a temporary transportation tag, visit hunting.IN.gov.

Hunt Information:

To claim your reservation, you must check in at the Jasper-Pulaski Fish & Wildlife Area's check-station before 4:30 a.m. CT (5:30 a.m. ET) on each day of your hunt. When checking in hunters will receive a one-day hunting permit card which must be returned to a property drop box upon completion of hunt, whether a turkey was harvested or not. If you do not claim your reservation each day by the time indicated above, your spot will be given to another hunter or forfeited entirely. You may NOT bring a hunting partner with you during your hunt; however, you may bring a non-hunting observer or assistant. All non-hunting partners who assist in calling in turkeys must be properly licensed.

Hunters must stop hunting by noon CT (1 p.m. ET) and be out of the field by 1 p.m. CT (2 p.m. ET).

Hunters who harvest a turkey must report it on their one-day hunting permit card and return it to a property drop box. Successful hunters should also check it in online at CheckInGame.dnr.IN.gov. Remember to tag your turkey with a temporary transportation tag. Printable transportation tags can be found online at the website mentioned above or you may make your own. A tag must include your name, address, license number and date of harvest.

Area Information:

Jasper-Pulaski Fish & Wildlife Area (FWA), located just north of Medaryville, Indiana, provides quality outdoor recreational opportunities while maintaining 8,179 acres of wetland, upland, and woodland game habitat. Each year, hunters successfully harvest a number of species including deer, turkey, and waterfowl.

The spring turkey season at Jasper-Pulaski FWA is by draw only. A maximum of 20 hunters per day will be selected to hunt the property. Areas 1 through 16 and the TNC areas shown on the property map are open for spring turkey hunting.

If you are successful in drawing for a hunt at Jasper-Pulaski FWA, you must check in at the property check-station (located near the office at 5822 Fish and Wildlife Lane, Medaryville, IN 47957) before 4:30 a.m. CT (5:30 a.m. ET) on each day of your hunt. If you do not claim your reservation each day by the time indicated above, your spot will be given to another hunter or forfeited entirely.

If you are not successful in drawing to hunt at Jasper-Pulaski FWA, you may still attend the daily standby drawing held in the check-station at 4:30 a.m. CT (5:30 a.m. ET) as any reservations left unfilled or forfeited will be drawn in-person and given to standby-draw participants.

Contact:

If you have further questions, please contact the Jasper Pulaski FWA's property office at 219-843-4841 or email JasperPulaskiFWA@dnr.IN.gov.



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