

Dove Draw Information Atterbury Fish & Wildlife Area

This page includes information and instructions for those interested in or selected to participate in an Indiana Dove Hunt Draw. 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.

Restrictions:

- You must obtain a valid small game hunting license and a game bird habitat stamp prior to applying.
- Non-toxic shot is required at Atterbury FWA for all dove hunting.
- Any shotgun used must not be capable of holding more than three shells, unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler that cannot be removed without disassembling the gun.
- All dove hunters are limited to a maximum of 50 shells per day.
- All trash should be removed from the field after the hunt. Spent hulls are considered trash.
- Do not shoot up, down, or behind the shooting strips. Only shoot in front over the mowed field.
- Each hunter is only allowed to hunt from their drawn flag.
- An HIP number is required to hunt doves. Hunters must register [online](#) or by calling 260-323-5378. There is no cost to register.

Bag Limit:

- The daily bag limit is 15 mourning doves. The possession limit is 45 mourning doves.

Hunting Hours:

- Hunting hours for doves are noon until sunset Sept. 1-2

Hunt Information:

The first two days of dove season at Atterbury FWA are by draw only. When applying to the Atterbury FWA dove hunt, you may choose from two hunt periods:

- Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2026
- Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2026

To claim your reservation, you must check in at the property office before 11:00 a.m. ET on the day of your hunt. Each managed dove field at Atterbury FWA will be marked with evenly spaced and numbered flags. Hunters who have been awarded a reservation may pick their preferred field and stake in order of their given draw number. If you do not claim your reservation by the times indicated above, your spot will be given to another hunter or forfeited entirely. You may bring a hunting partner with you during your hunt.

You must carry with you and return a one-day hunter access permit card that you will receive upon check-in at the office. Please fill out this permit card after your hunt to indicate the number of doves you harvested and any other additional information. Permit cards can be returned at the property office or any of the drop boxes locations listed on the Atterbury FWA map.

Area Information:

Atterbury Fish & Wildlife Area provides quality outdoor recreational opportunities while maintaining 4,950 acres of upland game habitat, marsh, running creeks, and shallow impoundments. Each year, hunters successfully harvest several species including deer, turkey, pheasant, and other upland game.

The property has several managed dove fields available to dove hunters during the first 2 days of season. Most of our dove fields can be accessed by a brief walk and all fields have parking nearby. We always attempt to leave standing cover near each flag for hunter concealment. The dove fields will differ in quality and size depending on sunflower planting outcomes. Accurate field maps will be posted to the property web-page when we can determine the success of each field. Maps can be found around one month before the season opens here: <https://www.in.gov/dnr/fish-and-wildlife/properties/atterbury-fwa/>

The first two days of dove season are very popular at Atterbury FWA.

We ask that everyone does their part to keep litter contained and showcase ethical hunting to help preserve our natural resources for generations to come.

If you have questions about property rules, accessing dove fields, or other specifics, please call or visit the main office.

Contact:

If you have further questions, please contact the Atterbury FWA property office at 812-526-2051.

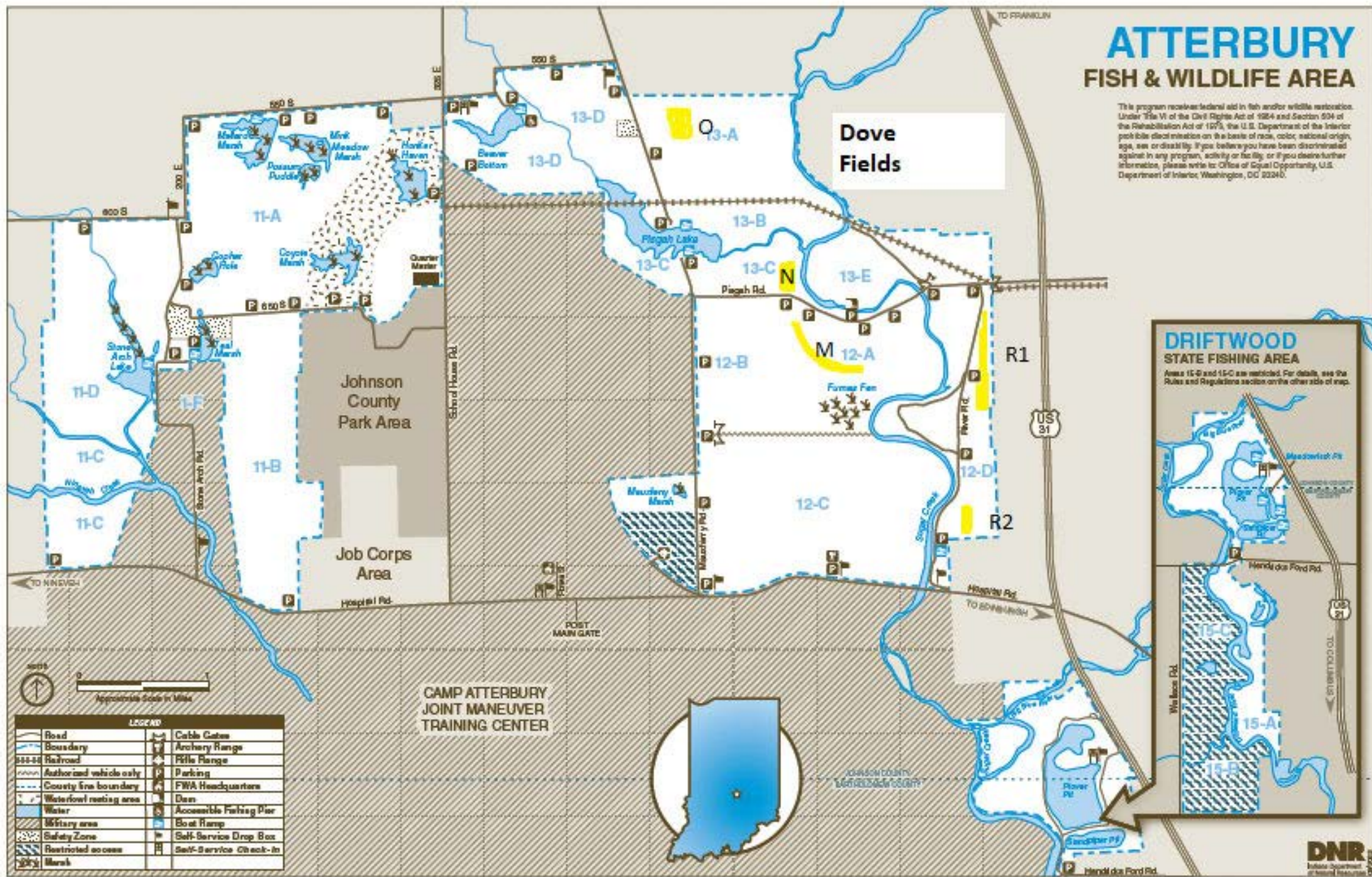
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Areas 15-G and 15-H are restricted. For details, see the Rules and Regulations section on the other side of map.

