

Summary of Walk-In Area Rules



For complete rules, see <u>Chapter 23</u> of the Wyoming Game and Fish Regulations

A Walk-In Area (WIA) is a tract of private or state land on which the Wyoming Game and Fish Department has leased certain privileges for public hunting or fishing enjoyment. Please help keep these areas open each year by respecting the landowner, following the Walk-In Area rules, avoiding trespass on adjoining private lands, and by donating to Access Yes when you purchase your hunting or fishing licenses.

Hunters or anglers are not required to seek permission from the landowner directly as long as they are hunting approved species during the access period as shown in the access table for that Walk-In Area. All WIAs have signs posted to mark the boundaries.

Unless explicitly stated otherwise in the access table or detailed stipulations for a certain WIA, the following regulations apply to all private and state lands enrolled in the Walk-In Area Program:

- Walk-in Areas are private property and only landowners may allow other activities such as trapping, collection of shed antlers or horns, photography, recreational hiking/biking, etc.
- Access is limited to individual access for hunting and/or fishing does not include access for any commercial activity, including outfitting of hunters or anglers.
- No pre-season scouting or access outside the dates in the access table.
- Only hunt the species that are listed on the Walk-in table for the specific Walk-in Area. WIAs may
 be enrolled for hunting and/or fishing. Check the appropriate "hunting" or "fishing" online table for
 the appropriate access information.
- Motorized vehicles and recreational livestock/horse use are prohibited (some WIAs may have exceptions, please see each access table).
- No construction of blinds, pits or other structures, including "pop-up" blinds.
- No camping.
- No fires or possession of lighted smoking materials outside your vehicle.
- Do not litter. Please pack out all trash (including spent shotgun shells or hulls).
- No shooting within 100 yards of buildings and livestock.
- Deposit landowner coupons for big game animals harvested on deeded land into provided drop boxes or mail to the landowner.
- Hunters are required to purchase a Pheasant Management Stamp to hunt pheasants on Walk-In Areas in counties where pheasants are stocked. See current pheasant regulations for more information.
- All other state and local laws apply. Species may only be hunted during open seasons according to Game and Fish Commission Regulations.

Important definitions for access areas explicitly allowing the use of motorized vehicles:

An <u>Established Road</u> is defined as "any road or trail which has been graded or constructed to carry motor vehicles or on which **repeated motor vehicle traffic has created well-defined tracks**."

A Designated Road is defined as "only established roads marked as open by a white arrow sign."