



# TWRA NEWS

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## **TWRC TO SET WATERFOWL SEASONS AUGUST 20-21**

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission (TWRC) will meet at Pickwick Landing State Park on August 20 and 21, 2008, and the major item on the agenda will be the setting of the 2008-2009 waterfowl hunting seasons. The meeting will be held at the State Park Inn located 12 miles south of Savannah, TN on Pickwick Lake.

Committee meetings will be conducted during the afternoon on August 20th, beginning at 1:00 p.m. C.S.T. and the Commission meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. C.S.T. on Thursday, August 21, 2008.

The TWRC sets waterfowl seasons each year within guidelines determined by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The TWRC is the governing body of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA). The meetings are open to the public and all hunters, anglers, and media are encouraged to attend.

## **SQUIRREL SEASON OPENS AUGUST 23**

Tennessee's hunting season for gray, fox and red squirrels opens on Saturday, August 23, 2008 according to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA). The season continues through February 28, 2009 with a daily bag limit of 10.

The hunting season for squirrels is one of the longest fall seasons and one of the most underutilized. All that is needed to hunt squirrels is a \$28 combination hunting license. This is a small price to pay for months of enjoyment and relaxation.

Two of the most productive ways to hunt squirrels are still-hunting (slowly walking through the woods watching for squirrels) and stand-hunting (sitting near food trees). Squirrel hunting with dogs has been gaining popularity in recent years. The best hunting with dogs generally occurs from November through February after the trees shed their leaves.

Squirrels are abundant in most areas where patches of woods are available. Excellent squirrel hunting can be found on many of TWRA's wildlife management areas.

Squirrel hunting is one of the best ways to introduce a young hunter to the outdoors and squirrels are known for their excellent table fare. Most recipe books have a variety of recipes for squirrel, with fried squirrel and squirrel and dumplings being two traditional southern favorites.

For more information on Tennessee hunting seasons go online at [www.tnwildlife.org](http://www.tnwildlife.org).

## **BOWHUNTER EDUCATION CLASS OFFERED**

A Bowhunter Education class will be offered in West Tennessee on August 16, 2008. the class will be held at the TWRA Region I Office located at Lake Graham, east of Jackson, TN. Class hours are 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The class is free of charge and bowhunters, from novice to expert, are encouraged to attend.

Anyone interested in attending should pre-register by calling the TWRA Region I Office at 1-800-372-3928 or (731) 423-5725.

