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National Forest

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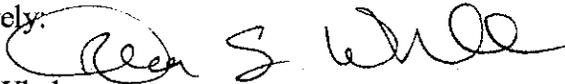
**DEAR APPLICANT:**

The USDA Forest Service and the South Carolina Dept. of Natural Resources is inviting you to take part in our annual deer hunts for persons with disabilities on the Francis Marion National Forest. The hunts will be located approximately 3 miles south of McClellanville, South Carolina on the Tibwin tract.

Enclosed find an application for the hunt; general information concerning the hunt, license requirements, hunt dates, eligibility requirements, hunt rules and a map showing the hunt location.

We appreciate being able to provide this opportunity to our fellow sportsman and look forward to receiving your completed application. If you have any specific questions regarding this particular hunt or of any other recreational opportunities or activities occurring in the Francis Marion please feel free to give us a call at our office in Huger, SC. Our telephone number is (843) 336-2200.

Sincerely,



Rhea Whalen  
District Ranger  
Francis Marion NF



**TIBWIN ACCESSIBLE DEER HUNT  
FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES  
2019/2020 HUNTING SEASON**

Please save this explanation sheet until you have been notified if you were drawn. Read all instruction carefully. The drawing will be done by computer, and all blanks must be completed correctly. Applications submitted incorrectly, illegibly or in duplication will be voided.

1. **APPLICATION FEE:** No fee is required
2. **HUNTING LICENSE:** Each applicant, including non-residents must have a valid hunting license
3. South Carolina hunting license or a South Carolina Department of Natural Resources Disability License to apply. A hunter younger than 16 years of age is not required to possess a hunting license but must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older. Permanent or totally disabled veterans are not required to purchase a hunting license, wildlife management area permit or big game permit. They must however, carry a letter from the Veterans Administration stating that they are totally and permanently disabled veterans.
4. **PERMITS:** Each drawn applicant must possess a **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA) PERMIT** and a **BIG GAME PERMIT** in addition to a valid hunting license to participate in the hunt. A big game permit or a WMA permit is not needed if you possess a Sportsman License, Junior Outdoorsman License, a Gratis (over 65) license, a Disability license or are under the age of 16.
5. **DUPLICATE APPLICANTS:** A person may apply only once. All applications including the name of a duplicate applicant will be disqualified from the drawing.
6. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Applicants for the accessible hunt shall be restricted to persons permanently confined to a wheelchair, persons requiring the use of mechanical aids (crutches or walkers) to walk or persons with complete single leg amputations. Final eligibility will be determined after review of the applications by a screening committee. Hunters may be accompanied by one able-bodied person who will participate in a non-hunting capacity. For more information, please call USDA Forest Service at (843)-336-2200.

**HUNT INFORMATION**

1. The hunts will be conducted in the afternoon for both days of each hunting period. Applicants who are drawn and their assistants (if needed) will report to the Hunt Site at 1: 00 PM on each day of the hunt for check-in and orientation program. For those hunters preferring to stay overnight in the area, motels are available nearby in Mt. Pleasant and Georgetown. Also, there is an accessible Forest Service fee campground available on a first come first served basis for \$20.00/night approximately 5 miles from the hunt area.
2. Big Game Rifles and shotguns with slugs **ONLY** are allowed. Rim fire 22 rifles and shotguns with buckshot are not permitted. All hunters must wear a visible coat; vest or hat of **INTERNATIONAL ORANGE** while the hunt is in progress.
3. Each hunter will be limited to two deer either-sex per day for the two-day hunt. Hunters will leave the area after the evening hunt is complete. USDA Forest Service or South Carolina Dept. of Natural Resources personnel, if needed, will assist hunters in getting into blinds. Blinds on the ground large enough to accommodate a hunter with a wheelchair and one assistant, will be provided. Harvested deer will be skinned and quartered for successful hunters, if desired. The hunter will be responsible for storage of the deer after dressing.
4. **ALL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLY.**

**TRANSFER PROCEDURE**

1. Successful applicants should contact the USDA Forest Service office in Huger, SC (telephone number 843-336-2200) if unable to attend the hunt.
2. Transfers will be made only by the USDA Forest Service.
3. Cancelled slots will be filled by random selection of applicants who were not drawn according to preference and number of hunters on the application.

## **TIBWIN MOBILITY IMPAIRED HUNT RULES**

(Applicants are required to return this page signed and dated with your application)

7. **ALL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLY**
8. **PERMITS:** Each drawn applicant must possess a **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA) PERMIT** and a **BIG GAME PERMIT** in addition to a valid hunting license to participate in the hunt. A big game permit or a WMA permit is not needed if you possess a Sportsman License, Junior Outdoorsman License, a Gratis (over 65) license, a Disability license, or are under the age of 16.
9. **Big Game Rifles and shotguns with slugs ONLY are allowed. Rim fire 22 rifles and shotguns with buckshot are not permitted. All hunters must wear a visible coat; vest or hat of INTERNATIONAL ORANGE while the hunt is in progress.**
10. **Each hunter will be limited to two deer either-sex per day for the two-day hunt.**
11. **All hunters will be escorted/led to their blind (NO EXCEPTIONS)**
12. **All hunters will remain in the blind during the hunt (The hunt is defined as the time from actually entering the blind until official hunt personnel arrive to assist the hunter to their vehicle).**
13. **Only the hunt participant will be allowed to handle /aim & shoot a weapon during the hunt. There will be only one weapon allowed in the blind during the hunt.**
14. **Official shooting hours will be until one hour after official sunset.**
15. **Hunters will not be permitted to leave the hunt area until instructed to do so by official hunt personnel (Forest Service personnel, SCDNR personnel, or official FS volunteers).**
16. **All hunters are required to check out at the South Tibwin Bunkhouse prior to leaving the hunt for the night.**
17. **Hunter agrees to abide by all instructions, both written and oral, while participating on the hunt.**
18. **All blinds will be drawn for the hunt by hunt participants. However, the Forest Service reserves the right to assign individual blinds to hunters in the event of access issues (boggy roads), individual hunter safety, etc.**

**I acknowledge that I have read the above hunt rules and agree to abide by them and to follow all instructions while participating on the hunt. I also realize that failure to abide by these rules and/or instructions may lead to immediate dismissal from the hunt and could jeopardize my participation in any future hunts at Tibwin.**

**Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Please fill out and sign attached photo release form and return with your application to give us permission to use photos:**



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**MODEL RELEASE**

Photography Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Photography Location: \_\_\_\_\_

For valuable consideration, I hereby give the USDA Forest Service permission to use any and all photographs in whole or in part, taken of me or by me, for the purpose of illustration, presentation, or publication in any manner. Permission to publish and use my image is granted to the USDA Forest Service, anyone authorized by the USDA Forest Service, and others in the public domain without further compensation to me. All negatives, positives, prints, and digital images are now the sole property of the USDA Forest Service.

I am 18 years of age or older:  Yes  No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Model Release—All Ages*



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**MODEL RELEASE**

*Parental Consent  
For Minor Subjects*

Photography Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Photography Location: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby affirm that I am the parent or guardian of the above named minor and I hereby consent to the use of the photograph of said minor, which may be used by the USDA Forest Service or any parties mentioned above in any manner of reproduction mentioned above.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Model Release Supplement—Minors*

# TIBWIN VICINITY MAP

