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Dear Applicant,

The USDA Forest Service, Francis Marion Ranger District and the South Carolina Dept. of Natural Resources are inviting you to take part in the drawing for a youth turkey hunt on the Francis Marion National Forest. The hunt will be located approximately three miles south of McClellanville, South Carolina on the Tibwin tracts.

Enclosed is an application for the hunt, date, 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 Digitally signed by RHEA
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RHEA S. WHALEN
District Ranger
Francis Marion Ranger District



**APPLICATION
 USDA FOREST SERVICE
 TIBWIN YOUTH TURKEY HUNT
 FRANCIS MARION NATIONAL FOREST
 2020 TURKEY HUNTING SEASON**

Applications must be received by the USDA Forest Service, Francis Marion National Forest prior to the close of business, March 1, 2020 to be eligible for the drawing. The application must be mailed to the **USDA FOREST SERVICE, TIBWIN YOUTH TURKEY HUNT, 2967 Steed Creek Road, Huger, SC 29450** or email to: danny.carlson@usda.gov. A person can only apply once. **ALL DUPLICATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE VOIDED.** Please fill in blanks legibly and make sure that social security number and license numbers are correct.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	INITIAL

MAILING ADDRESS	DAYTIME TELEPHONE #

CITY	SC	ZIP CODE

DATE OF BIRTH			AGE
MO	DAY	YEAR	

LICENSE NUMBER

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WILL THE APPLICANT NEED AN EXPERIENCED CALLER/GUIDE? ___ YES ___ NO

HUNT DATE: April 18, 2020

**TIBWIN YOUTH TURKEY HUNT
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:** Applicants 16 and 17 years old must possess a valid South Carolina Hunting License, Big Game Permit and a Wildlife Management Area Permit. Applicants under 16 years of age are not required to have a hunting license. However, all participants are required to have valid turkey tags.
3. **DUPLICATE APPLICANTS:** A person may apply only once. All applications including the name of a duplicate applicant will be disqualified from the drawing.
4. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Applicants for the youth turkey hunts shall be restricted to youth ages 07 thru 17 years of age. All successful applicants must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older who possess a valid SC Hunting license, Big Game Permit and a Wildlife Management Area Permit.

HUNT INFORMATION

1. The hunts will be conducted in the morning from daylight thru 12:00AM. Applicants who are drawn and their assistants (if needed) will report to the Hunt Site at 5:30 AM on the 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. There is a mandatory informational/safety orientation scheduled the afternoon/evening the day before the scheduled hunt. The informational/safety orientation will begin at 5:30 PM the day before the hunt. The hunt area drawing will be conducted at this time.
3. Shotguns with small shot ONLY are allowed.
4. Each hunter will be limited to one gobbler. Hunters will leave the area after the hunt is complete. USDA Forest Service or South Carolina Dept. of Natural Resources personnel, if needed, will assist hunters getting into areas. Blinds on the ground, large enough to accommodate a hunter and one assistant are available on each area.
5. 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 YOUTH HUNT RULES

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

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3. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Applicants for the youth turkey hunts shall be restricted to youth ages 7 thru 17 years of age.
4. **All successful applicants must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older who possess a valid SC Hunting license, Big Game Permit and a Wildlife Management Area Permit and Turkey Tags (NO EXCEPTIONS).**
5. **Shotguns with small shot ONLY are allowed**
6. **Each hunter will be limited to 1 gobbler for the hunt.**
7. **All hunters will be escorted/led to their hunt areas.**
8. **Official shooting hours will be from one hour before sunrise until 12:00 noon.**
9. **All hunters are required to check out at the South Tibwin Bunkhouse prior to leaving the hunt.**
10. **Hunter agrees to abide by all instructions, both written and oral, while participating on the hunt.**
11. **All areas will be drawn for the hunt at random. However, the Forest Service reserves the right to assign individual areas 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:** _____