Kisatchie National Forest (KNF) 2021 – 2022 Hunting Dates

General
- Bag Limit: 1 deer per day up to the statewide seasonal limit
- All deer hunting on KNF lands is still hunting only
- Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) tagging requirements apply
- LDWF Wildlife Management Area (WMA) Regulations for hunter orange and blaze pink apply
- LDWF Youth Only Deer Hunt regulations apply for all KNF lands except that archery and open season small game hunting is allowed. (Excluding Fort Polk-Vernon WMA)
- See the 2021 – 22 Louisiana Hunting Regulations pamphlet for additional information

Deer Archery:
- Vernon Unit of the Calcasieu Ranger District (Vernon Parish, excluding Fort Polk-Vernon WMA)
  - Sept. 18 – Jan. 15
- Catahoula Ranger District (Grant & Rapides Parish), Winn Ranger District (Winn, Grant & Natchitoches Parish), Kisatchie Ranger District (Natchitoches Parish), Evangeline Unit of the Calcasieu Ranger District (Rapides Parish) and the Caney Ranger District (Webster & Claiborne Parish)

Deer Firearms:
- Catahoula Ranger District (Grant & Rapides Parish), Winn Ranger District (Winn, Grant & Natchitoches Parish), Kisatchie Ranger District (Natchitoches Parish), Evangeline Unit of the Calcasieu Ranger District (Rapides Parish) and the Vernon Unit of the Calcasieu Ranger District (Vernon Parish, excluding Fort Polk-Vernon WMA)
  - Youth Only, either-sex: Oct. 9 – 15, still hunting only
  - Primitive Firearms, either-sex: Oct. 23 – 24 and Jan. 1 – 2, still hunting only
  - Firearms, either sex: Oct. 30 – 31 & Nov. 26, still hunting only
  - Firearms, bucks only: Nov. 6 – 25, Nov. 27 – 28, and Dec. 11 – 26, still hunting only
- Caney Ranger District (Webster & Claiborne Parish) Same as Area 2 regulations including Youth Only Hunt and Primitive Firearms, either-sex, still hunt only

Other Species:
- Rabbit, Squirrel, Quail, Migratory Game Birds and Waterfowl (see LA Hunting Regulations for additional waterfowl info. for Caney RD): Same dates and bag limits as outside
  - EXCEPT, NO spring squirrel season on the KNF
  - EXCEPT, All waterfowl hunting ceases at 2 p.m.
- Youth Only Squirrel: Sept. 25 – 26
- Feral Hogs, Coyotes, Armadillos & Beavers: May be taken during daylight hours on any KNF hunt by properly licensed hunters with the weapon legal for that hunt
- Raccoons, Opossum & Fox (chase only): Oct. 1 – Feb. 28 (See LA. Trapping Regulations for additional info. on trapping)
- Crows, Blackbirds, Grackles & Cowbirds: Sept. 1 – Jan. 1 only
- Turkey: Caney Ranger District: April 2 – 17. All remaining KNF lands (includes NWMPs): April 2 – 24.
  - Youth Only: March 26 – 27 on all Ranger Districts (except Vernon Unit lands within Fort Polk-Vernon WMA).

Catahoula & Red Dirt NWMP see Season Permit for additional information:
- Deer Youth Only, either-sex: Oct. 9 – 15, still hunting only
- Deer Physically Challenged, either-sex: Oct. 9 – 10, still hunting only
- Deer Primitive Firearms, either-sex: Oct. 23 – 24, still hunting only
- Deer Firearms, either-sex: Oct. 30 – 31 & Nov. 26, still hunting only
- Deer Firearms, bucks only: Nov. 27 – 28, still hunting only
- Squirrel/Rabbit (with dogs) & Raccoon (nighttime with dogs): Jan. 1 – Feb. 28, Quail (with dogs): Nov. 20 – Feb. 28
  - Hunting these animals is closed during deer gun hunts on NWMP
  - Youth Only Squirrel: Sept. 25 – 26
- Self-clearing Daily Permit required on NWMP during deer gun hunts and turkey season