

Kisatchie National Forest Motor Vehicle Use Map



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PURPOSE AND CONTENTS OF THIS MAP

The designations shown on this motor vehicle use map (MVUM) were made by the responsible official pursuant to 36 CFR 212.51; are effective as of the date of this MVUM, and will remain in effect until superseded by the next year's MVUM.



It is the responsibility of the user to acquire the current MVUM. This MVUM shows the National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and the areas on National Forest System lands in the Kisatchie National Forest that are designated for motor vehicle use pursuant to 36 CFR 212.51. This MVUM also identifies the vehicles classes allowed on each route and in each area and any seasonal restrictions that apply on those routes and in those areas.

Designation of a road, trail, or area for motor vehicle use by a particular class of vehicle under 36 CFR 212.51 should not be interpreted as encouraging or inviting use, or to imply that the road, trail, or area is passable, actively maintained, or safe for travel. Motor vehicle designations include parking along designated routes and at facilities associated with designated routes when it is safe to do so and when not causing damage to National Forest System resources. Seasonal weather conditions and natural events may render designated roads and trails impassable for extended periods. Designated areas may contain dangerous or impassable terrain. Many designated roads and trails may be passable only by high-clearance vehicles or four-wheel drive vehicles. Maintenance of designated roads and trails will depend on available resources, and many may receive little maintenance.

This motor vehicle use map identifies those roads, trails, and areas designated for the motor vehicle use under 36 CFR 212.51 for the purpose of enforcing the prohibition at 36 CFR 261.13. This is a limited purpose. The other public roads are shown for information and navigation purposes only and are not subject to designation under the Forest Service travel management regulation.

These designations apply only to National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and areas on National Forest System lands.

OPERATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Operating a motor vehicle on National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and in areas on National Forest System lands carries a greater responsibility than operating that vehicle in a city or other developed setting. Not only must the motor vehicle operators know and follow all applicable traffic laws, but they need to show concern for the environment as well as other forest users. The misuse of motor vehicles can lead to the temporary or permanent closure of any designated road, trail, or area. Operators of motor vehicles are subject to State traffic law, including State requirements for licensing, registration, and operation of the vehicle in question.

Motor vehicle use, especially off-highway vehicle use, involves inherent risks that may cause property damage, serious injury, and possibly death to participants. Riders should drive cautiously and anticipate rough surfaces and features, such as snow, mud, vegetation, and water crossings common to remote driving conditions. Participants voluntarily assume full responsibility for these damages, risks, and dangers. Motor vehicle operators should take care at all times to protect themselves and those under their responsibility.

Much of the Kisatchie National Forest is remote, and medical assistance may not be readily available. Cellular telephones do not work in many areas of the Kisatchie National Forest. Operators should take adequate food, water, first aid supplies, and other equipment appropriate for the conditions and expected weather.

ALWAYS REMEMBER TO RESPECT PRIVATE LAND! PROTECT YOUR PRIVILEGE. STAY ON DESIGNATED ROADS AND TRAILS AND IN DESIGNATED AREAS.

Read and understand this map in its entirety. If you have questions please contact the Kisatchie National Forest for clarification.

Road, trail, and area users must comply with this map, as well as all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations. Compliance with these rules is the responsibility of the user.

PROHIBITIONS

It is prohibited to possess or operate a motor vehicle on National Forest System lands on the Kisatchie National Forest other than in accordance with these designations (36 CFR 261.13).

Violations of 36 CFR 261.13 are subject to a fine of up to \$5,000 or imprisonment for up to 6 months or both (18 U.S.C. 3571(e)). This prohibition applies regardless of the presence or absence of signs.

Motor vehicles may be parked up to 50 feet from the edge of the road surface when it is safe to do so without causing damage to NFS resources or facilities, unless prohibited by state law, a traffic sign or an order (36 CFR 261.54).

This map does not display nonmotorized uses, over-snow uses, or other facilities and attractions on the Kisatchie National Forest. Obtain a forest visitor map for more complete information.

Designated roads, trails, and areas may also be subject to temporary, emergency closures, and visitors must comply with signs notifying them of such restrictions. A national forest may issue an order to close a road, trail, or area on a temporary basis to protect the life, health or safety of forest visitors or the natural or cultural resources in these areas. Such a temporary and/or emergency closure are consistent with the Travel Management Rule (36 CFR 212.52 (b); 36 CFR 261 subpart B).

The designation "road or trail open to all motor vehicles" does not supersede vehicle size or weight limits imposed through State traffic law.

Legend

- Trails Open to Vehicles 50" or Less in Width
- Special Designation (See Table)
- Seasonal Designation (See Table)
- Dispersed Camping/Game Retrieval (See Table for DC/GR Information)
- Interstate
- Highways, U.S., State, County
- Other Public Roads
- FS Campgrounds
- Ranger District Office
- Game Check Station
- Motorized Trailhead
- Forest Boundary
- National Forest System Lands
- Non-National Forest System Lands within the National Forest
- Kisatchie Wilderness Area
- National Red Dirt Wildlife Management Preserve
- Large Lakes and Rivers



EXPLANATION OF LEGEND ITEMS

Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only:
Roads open only to motor vehicles licensed under State law for general operation on all public roads.

Trails Open to Vehicles 50" or Less in Width:
Trails open only to motor vehicles less than 50 inches in width at the widest point on the vehicle.

Special Vehicle Designation:
Indicates the road or trail is open to classes of vehicles other than those listed above. Refer to the Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Seasonal Designation:
This symbol, used in conjunction with one of the other road or trail symbols, indicates that the road or trail is open only during certain portions of the year. Refer to Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Dispersed Camping/Game Retrieval:
Dispersed Camping/Game Retrieval

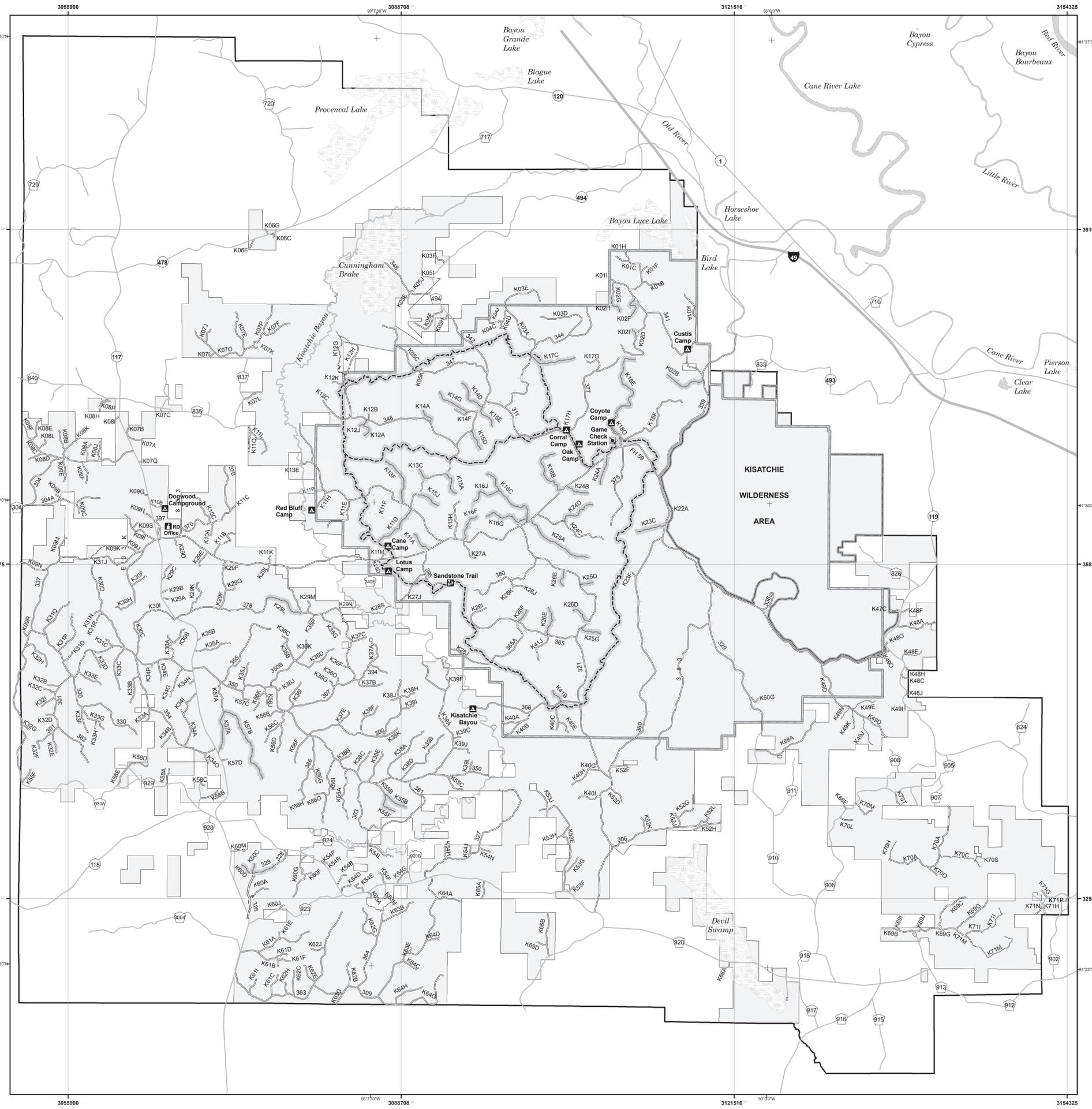
Used along with a designated road or trail to indicate limited cross-country motor vehicle use within a specific distance of that route, solely for the purpose of dispersed camping and/or game retrieval. Refer to the Dispersed Camping/Game Retrieval Table for specifics.

Other Public Roads and Trails:
Interstate
Highways, U.S., State, County
Other Public Roads

Used to show routes not designated for motorized use by the Forest Service. Part of the reference layers showing connections to towns and cities outside the forest boundary.

Motorized Trail Access:
This symbol indicates a trail head for access to a motorized route. Not all motorized routes have trail heads and those that do may range from primitive to developed.

Tables for Seasonal and Special Designation, Dispersed Camping/Game Retrieval and Areas Open to Cross County Travel are located on the reverse side of this map.



Seasonal and Special Vehicle Designations					
Route Number	Legend	Special Vehicle Designation	Dates Allowed	Beginning Mile Post	Ending Mile Post
328, 370, K12A, K12J, K13C, K13F, K14A, K14D, K15A, K15D, K15E, K15J, K16B, K16C, K16G, K16J, K17C, K29L, K55B, K55F, K57A, K57B, K60C, K60D	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-01/31		
3007 (Sandstone Trail)	Trails open to vehicles 50" or less in width, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/01-12/31	0.000	33.337
K02B	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/31-09/30	0.000	0.819
K02B	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.819
K02F	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/31-09/30	0.000	0.513
K02F	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.513
K02G	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/31-09/30	0.000	0.433
K02G	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.433
K02I	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/31-09/30	0.000	0.187
K02I	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.187
K08E, K08F, K09K, K12G, K12H, K28S, K35P, K48E, K49D, K49E, K49J, K49K, K49N, K69G, K70A, K70C, K70H, K70S, K71I, K71M	Special Vehicle Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	Yearlong		
K11A, K12A, K12J, K13C, K13F, K14A, K14D, K15A, K15D, K15E, K15J, K16B, K16C, K16G, K16J, K17C	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30		
K11A	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.447
K11D	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.972
K11D	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.972
K11F	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.875
K11F	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.875
K14G, K16F, K26D, K26E	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31		
K23C	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.596
K23C	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.596
K24A	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.564
K24A	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.564
K24B	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.457
K24B	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.457
K24D	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.753
K24D	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.753
K25A	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	1.382
K25A	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	1.382
K25D	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.264
K25D	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.264
K25G	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.417
K25G	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.417
K26B	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.358
K26B	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.358
K26F	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.295
K26F	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.295
K41B	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Highway Legal Vehicles	05/01-09/30	0.000	0.297
K41B	Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	10/01-12/31	0.000	0.297

Dispersed Camping/Game Retrieval					
Route Number	Legend	Special Vehicle Designation	Dates Allowed	Beginning Mile Post	Ending Mile Post
346, 311, 321, 329, 341, 342, 344, 345, 360, 365, 380	Dispersed Camping allowed 100 feet from centerline of road on either side	All Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less	Yearlong		
K02B, K02F, F02G, K02I, K11A, K11D, K11F, K12A, K12J, K13C, K13F, K14A, K14D, K14G, K15A, K15D, K15E, K15J, K16B, K16C, K16F, K16G, K16J, K17C, K18E, K23C, K24A, K24B, K24D, K25A, K25D, K25G, K26B, K26D, K26E, K26F, K41B	Game Retrieval allowed 300 feet from centerline of road on either side	Vehicles equal to or less than 50 inches wide	10/1/2014 - 01/31/2015		

When a big game animal has been legally taken, the individual who legally took the animal may drive or be driven to the downed animal. Under no circumstances may a second vehicle be used to retrieve the animal. The vehicle driven to the animal should be of sufficient capacity that only one trip is necessary. The number of individuals who participate in the retrieval is limited only by the vehicle's capacity and the willingness of others to walk to and from the downed animal.

The vehicle used to retrieve the game may be operated off the route up to the distance specified on the Motor Vehicle Use Map. If the downed game is further than the allowed distance, the vehicle may be driven only the specified distance from the designated route.