

Cecil Commerce Center contains approximately 12,000 acres of pine flatwoods, cypress and gum swamps, bottomland hardwoods and wiregrass sand hills.

Approximately 2,365 acres of this property (see map) are opened to public hunting as directed by an inter-governmental management agreement between the City of Jacksonville, The Jacksonville Aviation Authority and the Florida Forest Service. Cecil Commerce Center forest lands are managed using a multiple-use concept that includes timber, wildlife, water, flora and fauna, and recreation.

PERMITS, STAMP AND LICENSE INFORMATION

Individuals accessing Cecil Commerce Center for the purpose of hunting are required to have appropriate Florida licenses, stamps and permits.

Individuals accessing this property for the purpose of hunting must have in his/her possession a Cecil Commerce Center Access Permit, and a Florida Hunting License or Resident Senior Citizen Hunting and Fishing License Certificate. A deer permit and archery permit are also required during designated statewide/zonal seasons.

Applications for access permits for participation in Cecil Commerce Center hunts will be accepted beginning at **12:00 PM and selected by random drawing at 2:00 PM on Saturday, August 25th, 2012 at the Florida Forest Service Jacksonville District Office, located at 7247 Big Oaks Rd. Bryceville, Fl.** Hunters must be present at the drawing in order to be selected. Access permits will be issued after the drawing. Hunters must have their hunting license with them in order to be issued an access permit. **Ten** access permits will be issued for each access period during the archery and antlerless deer seasons.

Hunters may apply for each hunt either individually or in groups of no more than three persons, but not both. A group application with three hunters will fill three of the ten available permits for a given access period.

A fee of \$30.00 (Cash or Check only) will be charged for each permit. All checks must be made out to the **City of Jacksonville.**

ACCESS PERIODS

Archery I: September 15th – 16th, 2012

Archery II: September 29th – 30th, 2012

Archery III: October 13th – 14th, 2012

Archery IV: November 17th – 18th, 2012
(Antlerless deer season)

Legal to take:

Statewide bag limits, established by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, apply for all game.

GENERAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

All general laws and regulations relating to fish and wildlife shall apply for Cecil Commerce Center hunts. Access for the purpose of hunting or taking wildlife on Cecil Commerce Center shall be allowed only during designated access periods and in the manner set forth herein:

1. During access periods, public access is restricted to those individuals with valid access permits and one non-hunting companion.
2. **All hunters must check in and out each day at the Cecil Forest Service field office, located at 6112 New World Ave.**
3. Driving metal objects into any tree or hunting from any tree in which a metal object has been driven is prohibited.
4. No person shall destroy, cut or remove any trees (including cabbage palm) from Cecil Commerce Center without written permission from the Forest Service.
5. It is unlawful for any person to leave garbage, refuse or in any way litter this property.
6. Any person hunting deer or accompanying another person hunting deer shall wear at least 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange material above the waistline as an outer garment. This is not required when hunting during the archery-only season.

7. Authorized hunting equipment may be taken on the area by hunt permit holders between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM the day before each hunting period and shall be removed by one half-hour after sunset the last day of the hunting period.
8. Non-migratory game may be hunted from one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour after sunset.
9. It is unlawful to set fire to any marsh, forest, grass or woodlands or for any individual or group of individuals to build a warming fire or campfire and leave same un-extinguished (Chapter 590, FS).
10. The head and evidence of sex may not be removed from the carcass of any deer or turkey on the property.
11. No person shall release any wildlife on this property.

MOBILITY IMPAIRED HUNTERS

Mobility impaired hunters must have a Mobility Impaired Eligibility Certification from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission before filling out the application for a hunt permit.

No more than two non-disabled helpers may accompany a mobility impaired permit holder. The non-disabled helpers are not eligible to hunt unless they possess their own access permits.

Personal vehicles and all-terrain vehicles may be used by mobility-impaired hunters and are not restricted to named or numbered roads.

GUNS AND DOGS

1. Possession of dogs is not permitted on this property during designated access periods except that bird dogs may be possessed and dogs under restraint may be used to track wounded game.
2. No person shall have a gun or bow in manual possession while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

VEHICLES

1. Vehicles may be operated on designated roads only.
2. Vehicular access is permitted on all designated scouting days. Scouting is allowed from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM the weekend prior to the scheduled hunt. All hunters must have the correct access permit in their possession during scouting periods.
3. Vehicles may not be parked in such a manner that obstructs roads, gates or fire lines.

SEARCH

A wildlife officer, Jacksonville Sheriff's Officer, Department of Agriculture Law Enforcement Officer or other Cecil Commerce Center security personnel may search any vehicle or camp if he/she believes a violation has been committed.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Defacing, molesting or destroying signs or other property on Cecil Commerce Center is punishable by law.
2. Anyone born on or after June 1, 1975 must have passed a Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission approved hunter safety course prior to being issued a hunting license and permit.
3. This map is to be used for reference only, not for navigational or survey purposes. Hunters must obey all posted signs and property boundaries.
4. Please respect the location of other hunters.
5. Forest Service management of Cecil Commerce Center forestlands includes prescribed burning most months of the year. For personal safety reasons, hunters should contact the Forest Service for information and location of burn areas.
6. If you have any questions regarding this information, please call the Florida Forest Service's Cecil Commerce Center Office at **(904)573-4902**

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