

## **Rhode Island Pheasant Stocking Program Summary 2016-2017 Season**

### **Management Areas:**

Small game Pheasant hunters are required to check in and out of the state operated check stations at Great Swamp, Arcadia, Durfee Hill, and Carolina management areas prior to hunting on the following dates: Oct. 15 & 16, 22 & 23, and Oct. 29 & 30, Nov 5 & 6. Check station hours are ½ hour before sunrise to sunset.

**Pheasant hunting: Gamebird Permit is required in addition to a regular hunting license.**

### **Pheasant Stocking:**

Pheasants are stocked prior to opening day through the end of December. Stocked management areas are: Arcadia, Black Hut, Big River, Buck Hill, Carolina, Durfee Hill, Great Swamp, Nicholas Farm, Sapowet, Simmons Mill Pond and 8 Rod Farm. Bird stocking occurs weekly from opening day through the end of December. A list of WMA units stocked during the season is available to hunters (attached). Bird stocking occurs twice per week from the opening day through Thanksgiving holiday, normally a mid-week and weekend stocking. Stocking during December is once per week on the weekends only.

**There is no bird stocking in January or February.**

### **Bag limit:**

The daily limit for pheasant is 2 either sex birds. **Each pheasant must be tagged immediately upon taking.** Each gamebird permit allows the taking of 6 pheasants and hunters may purchase multiple permits.

### **Jr. Hunter Pheasant Hunt – Oct. 8-9:**

Open for Youth hunters, aged 12 to 15 years old. The hunt is limited to and bird stocking will occur only at Great Swamp WMA in South Kingstown, Durfee Hill WMA in Glocester, and Eight Rod Farm WMA in Tiverton. Call 789-0281 for further information.

### **Deer season:**

The small game hunting season will remain OPEN during the December shotgun deer season December 3 to 18. WMA's will remain open to pheasant and other small game hunting on state management areas during this period in accordance with established seasons and bag limits.

**\*\*\*\*\*For Distribution\*\*\*\*\***  
**PHEASANT STOCKING STATE MANAGEMENT AREAS**

**ARCADIA NORTH – EXETER**

1. MIDWAY TRAIL
2. FLAT RIVER/OLD NURSERY
3. BARBER FARM
4. OLD TEN ROD ROAD

**ARCADIA – SOUTH**

5. PRATT UNIT
6. RICHMOND FARM
7. WOODMANSEE UNIT

**BIG RIVER**

8. SWEET SAWMILL ROAD
9. CONGDON HILL ROAD

**BLACK HUT - BURRILLVILLE**

10. NORTHERN SECTION – EAST OF MARSH
11. SOUTH – EAST OF BLACK HUT ROAD

**BUCK HILL- BURRILLVILLE**

12. ALL MANAGEMENT FIELDS

**CAROLINA - RICHMOND**

13. MEADOWBROOK TRAIL FIELDS
14. ESSEX TRAIL FIELDS
15. DIAMOND BOG FIELDS
16. SOUTH OF CHECKSTATION
17. WRIGHT FARM
18. AMERICAN FISH GRAVEL BANK

**DURFEE HILL - GLOCESTER**

19. EASTERN SECTION – SOUTH OF ROUTE 44
20. WESTERN SECTION – VICINITY OF CHECK STATION

**EIGHT-ROD FARM – TIVERTON**

21. EAST OF EIGHT ROD WAY
22. WEST OF EIGHT ROD WAY

**GREAT SWAMP – SOUTH KINGSTOWN**

23. AREA'S 1,2,3

**NICHOLAS FARM – COVENTRY**

24. PLACE FARM – CARBUNCLE UNIT
25. NICHOLAS UNIT – GREENHOUSE ROAD

**SAPOWET – TIVERTON**

26. SAPOWET MARSH – SAPOWET AVE

**SIMMONS MILL POND - LITTLE COMPTON**

27. COLD BROOK AREA