## **Duck Hunting**

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## **Duck Hunting at Laanecoorie Reservoir**

# Recreational duck hunting is permitted in Victoria during the designated duck hunting season.

#### The 2016 duck hunting season opens on Saturday 19 March and closes on Monday 13 June.

#### **Duck hunting in Victoria**

The Victorian Government, via the Game Management Authority, sets season dates, and manages duck hunting sustainably and bag limits, to ensure the conservation status of game species isn't threatened.

Goulburn-Murray Water permits duck hunting at many of its water storages during Victoria's designated duck hunting season. This includes Laanecoorie Reservoir.

#### Caring for Laanecoorie Reservoir

Laanecoorie Reservoir is a beautiful natural resource. This duck hunting season, you can help care for the reservoir by:

- Staying at commercial caravan parks and clubs. Camping is prohibited at GMW managed foreshores and perimeter land.
- Using gas or electric (where available) barbeques. Campfires are prohibited at GMW reserves, foreshores and lakebed areas.
- **Taking your rubbish home with you.** No rubbish services are available at GMW managed recreation reserves and foreshore areas.

#### Staying safe

Many people use our water storages for a range of activities and it's important that all visitors, including hunters, consider other members of the public and the environment, by acting in a safe and responsible manner.

Public access for any purpose (including duck hunting) is prohibited along GMW's channel network at all times.

The use of firearms and hunting in public recreation areas and around storage assets is also prohibited. These areas are clearly signed and marked on water storage maps that you can download from www.gmwater.com.au/recreation-tourism/duck-hunting

#### **Unsafe behaviour**

Irresponsible behaviour at our water storages can affect the enjoyment of other users.

Any irresponsible or unsafe hunting behaviour should be reported to the Game Management Authority by phoning 136 186. All information will be treated in confidence.

Urgent issues relating to the carriage of firearms should be reported to the Victorian Police on 000.

#### **Further information**

The Victorian Game Management Authority has developed the Victorian Hunting Guide. The guide keeps hunters informed about rules, regulations, bag limits and season dates. It can be downloaded at http://www.gma.vic.gov.au/education/victorian-huntingguide.

The Game Management Authority has also developed a smart phone app to assist hunters this season. It can be downloaded from the App Store and Google Play.



### Laanecoorie Reservoir Duck Hunting Prohibited Areas

