

Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Bicycling – Camping – Fishing – Hiking
Horseback Riding – Hunting – Outdoor Photography
Wildlife Viewing

Conservation areas are closed from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized camping, fishing and hunting activities. Parking or storing watercraft or commercial vehicles on department areas during closed hours is prohibited.

- Groups of more than 10 people and some special activities may require a special use permit. Please visit our website for more information.
- Bicycles and horses allowed on multi-use trails and bicycles allowed on designated service roads except during all portions of the firearm deer and spring turkey seasons. Multi-use trails and service roads can be located at <https://mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places>
- Bicycles and horses allowed on public roadways year-round.
- Camping is permitted only at numbered sites in the designated campground. No unattended open campfires allowed. Groups of more than 10 campers require a special use permit. Stays are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Camping for equestrian riders is not allowed at campsites 1-84. Horseback riders may load, unload and camp at horse camp on the west side of lake.
- Camping at horse camp is for equestrian riders only.
- Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being trained or used for hunting. A hunting permit is required to train dogs in pursuit of wildlife.
- Vehicles are restricted to public roadways and parking lots unless otherwise allowed by area regulations.
- Waste containers may be used only for disposal of trash generated on area.
- No fireworks.
- No target shooting allowed.
- Swimming, scuba diving, water skiing, sailboarding, skateboarding, caving and rappelling are not allowed.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing is permitted on all waters of the area throughout the year.

- Only poles or rods with attached lines may be used, and not more than three poles or rods may be used by one person at any time, except that carp may be taken by longbow between sunrise and midnight throughout the year.
- All largemouth bass between 12 and 15 inches in total length and all muskellunge less than 36 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught. Fish are measured laid flat from tip of snout with mouth closed to end of tail with tail lobes pressed together.

- The head and tail must remain attached to any bass or muskellunge while on the lake.
- Daily creel and (possession) limits are 6 (12) largemouth bass; 4 channel and blue catfish; channel catfish possession (20), blue catfish possession (10); 30 (60) crappie; and 1 (2) muskellunge. The daily limit for all other species combined is 20.
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited on all impounded waters and their discharge channels.
- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written permission of the Conservation Department.
- Outboard motors in excess of 10 horsepower may be used, but must be operated at slow, no-wake speed on Henry Sever Lake.
- Boats, including sailboats, may be used on lakes and ponds designated as open to boats.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply:

- Deer and turkey regulations are subject to annual changes. Please refer to the Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey booklets for current regulations.
- Only portable tree stands may be placed or used and only between Sept. 1 and January 31. Each stand must be identified with the name and address of the user and must be removed from the area by Feb. 1. Use of nails or other material that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and blinds are permitted but must be disassembled and removed daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers allowed only with a special use permit. Visit our website for more information.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

For local information, contact:

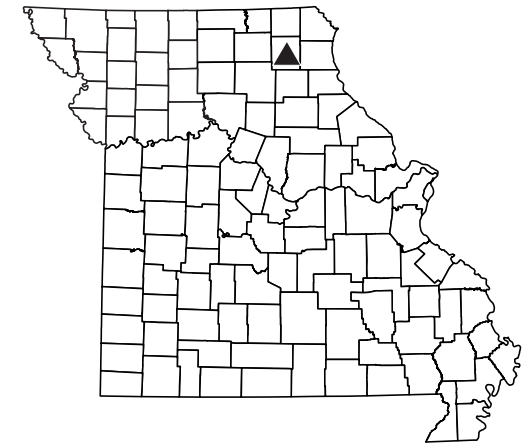
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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/5csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

Henry Sever Lake

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