

Cottonwood, Poage, Orton, and Fabius Islands Pool 21/22

Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Fishing – Hiking – Hunting
Outdoor Photography – Wildlife Viewing

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

- Walk-in camping is allowed year-round except during all firearms deer and turkey seasons. Campers are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Groups of more than 10 campers require a special use permit. Please visit our website for more information about special use permits.
- No unattended open campfires allowed.
- Bicycles allowed on designated service roads year-round. Service roads can be located at <https://mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places>
- 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.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal use.
- No target shooting is allowed.
- No fireworks.

Fishing and Boating

Special regulations apply to the Mississippi River.

- Consult the “Summary of Missouri Fishing Regulations” or visit our website for more information.
- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written authorization.
- There are no Conservation Department restrictions on boats and motors used on the waters of the Mississippi River.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations with the following exceptions:

- Deer and turkey regulations are subject to annual changes. Please refer to the Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey booklets for current regulations.
- Portable tree stands may be placed or used and only between Sept. 1 and Jan. 31. Stands must be identified with the name and address or conservation number of the user and must be removed from the area by Feb. 1. Use of screw-in steps or other materials that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Waterfowl hunting on the Upper Mississippi Conservation Area is by one of two designations: Open or Restricted. Cottonwood, Poage, Orton, and Fabius Islands are designated as open sites. Decoys and portable blinds are permitted but must be removed from the area daily. Blinds may be constructed on site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers allowed only with special use permit. Visit our website for more information.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

The Upper Mississippi Conservation Area stretches from Mel Price lock and dam at Alton, Illinois to LaGrange, Missouri. It is composed of 87 tracts of federal lands totaling over 11,000 acres.

For local information, contact:

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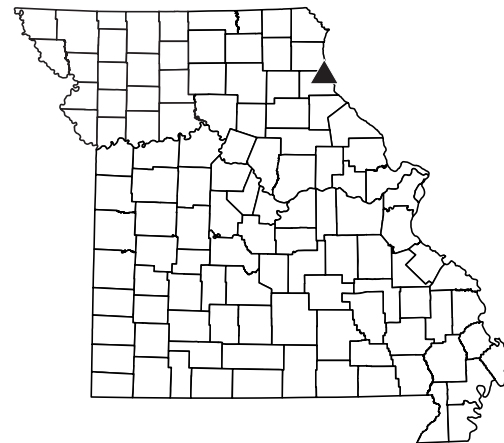
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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available 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.

Upper Mississippi

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