

Recreational Opportunities:

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

Conservation Areas are closed from 10:00 pm to
4:00 am except for authorized camping, fishing and
hunting activities.

- No littering. Remove waste from the area and dispose of it properly.
- Unattended camp or warming fires are prohibited. All fires may be restricted during times of extreme fire danger. All fires must be contained and thoroughly extinguished before being left. No live trees may be cut for firewood, except with a fuelwood cutting permit issued by the Area Manager.
- Groups of 10 people or more must obtain a special-use permit.
- No free-running pets. Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being trained or used for hunting.
- Destroying, cutting or removing vegetation is prohibited. Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal consumption only.
- Motor vehicles are restricted to graveled roadways and parking areas.
- Bicycles and horses allowed on multi-use trails and bicycles allowed on designated service roads year-round. Multi-use trails and service roads (if any) can be located at <https://mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places>.
- Camping is permitted only in designated areas and is limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period.
- No target shooting allowed.

Fishing and Boating:

Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations.
The following special regulations also apply.

- Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations.
- Bullfrogs and green frogs may be taken during the statewide season only by hand, handnet, atlatl, gig, bow, snagging, snaring, grabbing,

pole and line, a twenty-two (.22) caliber or smaller rimfire rifle or pistol, pellet gun, or crossbow, only on waters and within dates and hours those waters are open to fishing.

- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited on all lakes and ponds.
- Salvage seining of other fish as designated in 3 CSR 10-6.550 may be permitted seasonally for personal use with a special use permit.
- Boats may be used for fishing and wildlife-related activities only and may not be stored or left unattended overnight.

Hunting and Trapping:

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

- Only portable tree stands are allowed and only from Sept. 1 through Jan. 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address, or Conservation Number, of the owner and be removed from the area before Feb. 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.
- 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 is permitted only as specifically authorized by special use permit.

For local information, contact:

Chillicothe Office
660/646-6122
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816/271-3100

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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/3csr/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.

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