

Recreational Opportunities

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

Conservation Areas are closed from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized camping, fishing, and hunting activities.

- No littering.
- No fireworks.
- No open fires.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms, and wild greens may be taken for personal consumption only. Cutting or removing other vegetation is prohibited.
- 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>
- No camping allowed except in Corps of Engineers recreation areas.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing and frogging are allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions:

- Statewide stream fishing regulations apply upstream from lake boundary (see map on reverse side).
- On Stockton Lake, largemouth and smallmouth bass less than 15 inches in total length, spotted bass less than 12 inches in total length, all walleye less than 15 inches in total length, and all crappie less than 10 inches in total length must be released unharmed immediately after being caught.
- Daily limit is 6 black bass and 4 walleyes and 15 crappie.
- Fish legally taken under stream regulations may not be possessed on Stockton Lake, unless the fish are also legal under the lake's regulations.

Hunting and Trapping

Hunting is allowed 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 Hunting booklets for current regulations.
- Portable tree stands are permitted between Sept. 1 and Jan. 31. Stands must be identified with the name and address, or conservation number of the user. Screw-in steps or other materials that would damage the tree are prohibited. Stands must be removed by February 1st.
- 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.
- Furbearer trapping is permitted by special-use permit.

For specific information, contact:

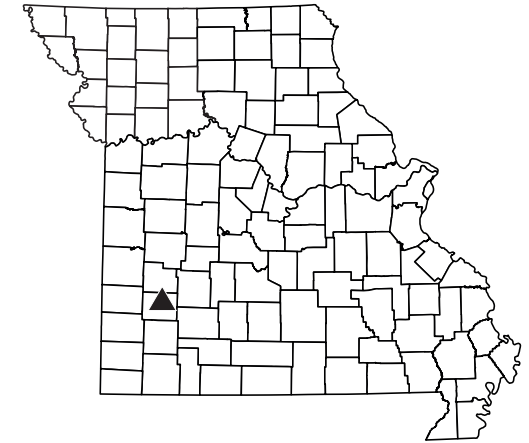
MDC's Southwest Regional Office
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Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices

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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.

Stockton Lake and Corps of Engineers Lands (BIG SAC ARM)



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