

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 camping, fishing and hunting activities.

- Campers are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Groups of 10 or more campers need a special use permit.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal use. Cutting or removing other vegetation is prohibited.
- Dogs must be leashed when not used for training or hunting.
- For safety reasons target shooting is not permitted.

Fishing and Boating

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

- Fish may be taken by pole and line and not more than 2 poles may be used by any person.
- Not more than fifty (50) hooks in the aggregate may be used by any person at one time.
- Live bait traps, hooks, trotlines, throwlines, limb lines, bank lines or anchored jug lines may not be left unattended for more than twenty-four (24) hours or must be completely removed. Unanchored jug lines must be personally attended at all times.
- Live bait traps, trotlines, throwlines, limb lines, bank lines, jug lines, and live boxes shall be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address of the person using the equipment.
- The daily and possession limit is twenty (20) channel catfish and blue catfish in the aggregate and ten (10) flathead catfish.
- Bighead carp, common carp, goldfish, grass carp and silver carp may be taken and possessed in any number.

- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written authorization.

Hunting and Trapping

Hunting is allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions:

- Deer hunting is permitted under statewide seasons and limits.
- Portable tree stands may be used 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.
- 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 local information, contact:
Missouri Department of Conservation
2302 County Park Drive
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
(573) 290-5730**

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.

Windy Bar Island

CONSERVATION AREA



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