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POINTE MOUILLEE STATE GAME AREA SPECIAL USE AND HUNTING RULES

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All other applicable State Land Use rules and regulations apply, unless modified by the text below. To review the standard "Wildlife and Game Area - State Land Rules" (doc# IC 2598), see the back of most State Wildlife/Game Area maps (except those with Special Use and Hunting Rules, like this page); maps, rules and regulations, and more information on this and other areas are available at DNR Offices or on the internet at http://www.michigan.gov/dnr .

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If you have questions or comments about this area or its management, please contact the Pointe Mouillee DNR Wildlife Field Office, at 37205 Mouillee Road, Rockwood, Michigan 48173 ; phone (734) 379-9692.

The map (reverse side) shows main units, however the Celeron Island and Stoney Island units are in the Detroit River, north from main units.

GENERAL RULES

- You may not enter the area posted "WILDLIFE REFUGE DO NOT ENTER" or "WILDLIFE RFUGE CLOSED TO ALL USE AND OCCUPANCY" from September 1 until December 15. Note the change in dates of start and end of closure, as of August 2013.
- During the waterfowl hunting season, you may not enter any part of the game area posted "STATE GAME AREA HUNTING BY PERMIT ONLY" without written permission.
- For additional information or assistance regarding the State Game Area, please contact the office (details at top of page).

REGARDING WATERFOWL HUNTING

- 1. Reservations by mail are no longer required to hunt during the opening day morning managed hunt of the regular waterfowl season.
- 2. Waterfowl hunting permits are issued for a MORNING HUNT and an AFTERNOON HUNT. Drawings for permits will be held for waterfowl hunting in the Nelson, Long Pond, and Walpatich Units - at the game area check station on Sundays and Thursdays at 5:30am and 11:00am, and on Tuesdays at 5:30 am - throughout the regular waterfowl season unless otherwise posted.
- 3. Only parties of 2 or 3 can register one or two absentee hunter(s) with the absentee hunter's license.
- 4. Morning permits will be issued until 8:00am and afternoon permits will be issued until 1:00pm.
- 5. On any day that you have participated in a morning drawing and are issued a hunting permit, you may not participate in the afternoon drawing, but may be issued an unused permit after the drawing.
- 6. Hunting by permit is restricted to assigned zones in the permit area, with a limit of 2 or 4 hunters per zone, party or single. Other areas are posted "STATE GAME AREA - OPEN TO HUNTING." Permit holders must return their permits to the designated location within two hours after their hunt. All game taken must be reported and / or presented for examination.
- 7. Each hunter is limited to 18 shells with shot size no larger than 1 while hunting in the managed zones. It is unlawful to possess or use shot shells loaded with any material other than steel, bismuth, tungsten alloy, or other Federally approved shot.

Regarding Youth Hunts: On the opening day afternoon hunt and second Sunday in November morning hunt during the regular waterfowl season. Priority drawings are available for hunting parties with at least one youth 16 years of age or younger and up to two adults (maximum party size is four). Youths 10-16 with hunters safety can be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or someone 18 years of age or older designated by the parent or guardian. Youths hunting under the apprentice or mentor licenses must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older that has completed hunters safety.

REGARDING TRAPPING: Trapping of furbearers is by local permit only. Contact the Pointe Mouillee office for details (details at top).

THESE ACTIVITIES ARE PROHIBITED:

- a.) Hunting or shooting from any dike, road, trail, safety zone, or retrieving zone.
- b.) Constructing a shooting pit or blind on the game area. Portable blinds are permitted, but must be removed at the end of each hunt. No screw-in steps.
- c.) Using an amphibious vehicle, all-terrain, air-boat, hovercraft, or any other motor driven vehicle while in the managed hunting area. Outboard motors are permitted but must be operated at a no-wake speed (such as 10 mph).
- d.) Parking outside of designated parking areas. See map for parking lot locations, or contact the office for more information.
- e.) Trapping in the area, except under a written permit. Contact the area office for detailed information.
- f.) Taking cans or glass bottles into the permit zones, or to possess or consume alcoholic beverages.
- g.) To enter, use or occupy the state-owned lands of Pointe Mouillee State Game Area between the hours of 11:00pm and 4:00am unless specially permitted. No camping is permitted, and it is prohibited to build or use a ground fire.
- h.) To use a firearm or bow and arrow for target shooting of any kind.
- i.). To ride or lead a horse, other riding animal, or pack animal, or to allow such animal or any animal-drawn vehicle to use or travel on any areas other than established public roads or trails designated for such use, without proper written permission. Proper written permission means a written permit issued by the DNR Director, or by a representative authorized by him to do so. j.) All dogs must be on leash from April 15th to July 15th during the wildlife nesting period.
- k.) Other Rules and Regulations for the State Game Area may be posted in the area; look for additional signs or notices to insure you have a safe hunt. Check current waterfowl and hunting digests for necessary licenses, stamps, season dates and other details.

CAUTION: Use care near all open water areas; some of these areas may contain deep water, depending on season and recent rainfall.

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hazardous to personal safety of the hunter and others.

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- During the waterfowl hunting season, you may not enter any part of the game area posted "STATE GAME AREA HUNTING BY PERMIT ONLY" without written permission. Other dates and activities are not allowed; read below or ask the area office for details.
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REGARDING WATERFOWL HUNTING - for this specific area:

- 1.) Opening weekend, for both Saturday and Sunday, are pre-registered reserve hunts for waterfowl hunting.
- 2.) Managed waterfowl hunting permits for the <u>Nelson, Long Pond, and Walpatich Managed Units (zones)</u>, are issued through drawings at the Pointe Mouillee SGA headquarters check station, issued throughout the entire waterfowl season unless otherwise posted, and: (a.) Opening day, the first Saturday has two drawings for the morning/AM at 5:30 a.m. and for the afternoon/PM at 11:00 a.m.
 - (a.) Opening day, the first Saturday has two drawings for the morning/AM at 5:30 a.m., & afternoon/PM at 11:00 a.m.
 - (c.) Each Tuesday has one drawing for the afternoon/PM at 11:00 a.m. (valid to the end of that day's shooting hours);
 - (d.) Each Thursday has one drawing for the morning/AM at 5:30 a.m. and those permits are valid for the entire day's shooting hours.
 - (e.) On other days (Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday) there are no drawings and there is no hunting in the managed zones.
- 3.) On draw days listed above, the PMSGA check station will be open until 4:00 p.m. for issuing leftover, unused, or unissued permits.
- 4.) On any day with two drawings, if you have participated in a morning drawing and issued a hunting permit through that draw (you were successful), then you may not participate in the afternoon drawing but you could be issued an unused/leftover permit.
- 5.) Hunting by permit is restricted to specific assigned zones in the permit area (see map or ask), with a limit of 1 to 4 hunters per zone.
- 6.) Permit holders must return their permits to the designated location within two hours after their hunt.
- 7.) All waterfowl taken must be reported and presented for examination at the PMSGA check station.
- 8.) Each hunter is limited to 25 shells (1 box) with a shot size no larger than 1, while hunting in the managed zones. It is unlawful to possess or use any shot shells loaded with any material other than steel, bismuth, tungsten alloy, or other federally approved shot.
- **REGARDING YOUTH HUNTS:** See the annual Waterfowl Hunting Digest/Regulations-Summary for youth hunt details, dates of youth preferred draws, and more details or see DNR Laws online (<u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnrlaws</u>). <u>Preferred drawings are available for hunting parties with at least one youth</u> 16 years of age or younger and up to two adults, with a maximum party size of four. Youths 10-16 who completed Hunter Safety Course, can be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or someone 18 years of age or older designated by the parent or guardian. Youths hunting under the apprentice license or the Mentored Youth Hunting Program mentor license must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older who has completed a Hunter Safety Course.
- **REGARDING TRAPPING:** Trapping furbearers, or trapping of any kind, is <u>by local permit only</u>. Trapping does not start until the end of the annual waterfowl season. Contact the Pointe Mouillee office for details.
- **REMINDERS OF PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN THIS AREA**: (DNR Laws, rules & regulations are online at <u>http://www.mi.gov/dnrlaws</u>) a.) Do not enter, use, or occupy any part of the state-owned lands of Pointe Mouillee SGA between 11:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.
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- b.) No parking outside of designated parking areas. See area map for the allowed parking locations or contact the office for assistance.
- c.) No taking cans or glass bottles into the permit zones; Do not possess or consume alcoholic beverages of any kind when in the area.
- d.). Do not ride or lead a horse, other riding animal, or pack animal, or to allow such animal or any animal-drawn vehicle to use or travel on or through any areas other than established public roads or trails designated for such use, without proper written permission. Proper written permission means a written permit issued by the DNR Director, or by a representative authorized by him to do so.
- e.) All dogs must be on leash from April 15th to July 15th during the annual <u>wildlife nesting period</u>.
- f.) No using an amphibious vehicle, all-terrain, air-boat, hovercraft, or any other motor-driven vehicle while in the managed hunting area or areas posted as such. Outboard motors are allowed but must be operated at a slow no-wake speed (such as 10 mph).
- g.) Check current waterfowl and hunting digests/regulations-summaries for necessary licenses, stamps, season dates, and other details.
- g.) No hunting or shooting from any dike, road, trail, safety zone, or retrieving zone. Beware of and do not shoot pumps or equipment.
- h.) No constructing a shooting pit or blind in the area. Portable blinds are allowed but must be removed at the end of each hunt. No screw-in steps. Do not use a firearm or bow-and-arrow for target shooting of any kind.
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