The rules on this sheet are established to ensure your safety as a hunter and the safety of other park users during the spring turkey hunting season. Strict compliance with these rules and the rules established by NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) for turkey hunting is a condition of your permit to hunt in the park. By signing in to hunt you acknowledge that you have read and understand these rules. Failure to follow these rules may result in the revocation of your privilege to hunt at Sampson State Park.

**DATES:**

- **NEW 2022** The spring turkey season at the park runs **SUNDAY MAY 1ST, 2022 – THURSDAY MAY 19TH, 2022** (to correspond with the opening of camping)

**Reservations & Walk-ins**

- ALL hunters seeking to reserve a zone must pre-register for a specific date and zone, identified on the spring turkey hunting map, by contacting the park office in person or by phone
- Reservation start date is **Friday, April 15th, 2022. Contact the Park Office**
- **Hunters can only reserve one zone and date at a time**
  - Failure to cancel prior to your reservation is considered a no show, and will result in revocation of your reservation privileges for one full calendar year
- **Hunters must sign in and out each day at the park office on the permit provided**
- Any zone not reserved is available and may be secured on a first come, first serve basis.

**HUNTING BOUNDARIES & ZONES:**

- Park boundaries, restricted areas, and adjoining lands are posted to ensure the safety of other park patrons, staff and our neighbors. Entry into these areas, for any reason, while signed in to hunt or with a weapon is strictly prohibited
  - **DO NOT** shoot in the direction of these areas or over roads, as they may be occupied by patrons or park staff
- Zones 1-5 are limited to bow only
- Zones 6-12 a shotgun or bow may be used
  - **HANDGUNS AND RIFLES ARE PROHIBITED IN THE PARK**
- Hunters may ONLY hunt their assigned zone
  - Entry into another zone is prohibited and extremely unsafe. Privileges to hunt Sampson will be immediately revoked

**GENERAL RULES:**

- In addition to NYSDEC reporting requirements, all turkeys harvested must be reported to the park office, with complete and accurate data recorded
- No person shall injure, destroy, deface, tamper with, or cut any park or personal property, trees, or other plant life
- No permanent blinds or tree stands shall be erected
  - Any blinds left in the park after hunting season are subject to immediate confiscation and possession forwarded to Park Police
- In case of emergency or to report any incident of suspicious activities, contact the
  - Park Office 315-585-6392
  - Park Police Emergency 1-800-255-3577
  - Park Police Non-Emergency 1-607-387-7081

**ASK ANY AND ALL QUESTIONS BEFORE YOU HUNT!**
Restricted areas are established to protect other park users, park staff, and park buildings. No hunting activities are allowed in these areas. Entering these areas for the purpose of disturbing game is strictly forbidden and illegal. Do not shoot into or towards these areas or enter these areas with a weapon. If a wounded animal enters one of these areas you must contact the Park Office or Park Police before pursuing it.

Park Office: (315) 585-6392
Park Police: 1 (800) 255-3577

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Hunting Map
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