

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Perry Lake

Use of Tree Stands, Blinds, Baits and Decoys

Portable Tree Stands and Portable Blinds

1. Portable tree stands and ground blinds used for hunting may be placed not more than 14 days before the hunting season for which the blind or stand will be used, and shall be removed from public property within 14 days after the hunting season for which the blind or stand was placed has ended.
2. Ladders and steps attached by ropes, cables, or chains may be used for access to portable tree stands and shall be removed when the portable tree stand is removed. All such stands and accessories must be non-bark penetrating only (i.e. no screw in or nail on stands or accessories).
3. Natural blinds may be used for any authorized activity and shall be constructed of natural herbaceous materials or woody debris, or both, that are dead and down and that are present at the site of the natural blind. Live trees and standing dead trees may NOT be cut and used for natural blinds.
4. Each portable blind and portable tree stand shall be marked with the user's name, address, phone number and the user's Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks & Tourism (KDWP) department-issued identification number in a visible, legible, and weatherproof manner.
5. Permanent hunting stands or blinds are not permitted.
6. The cutting of trees and/or tree limbs is not permitted.
7. Any individual may use a placed portable blind, portable tree stand, or natural blind when the blind or stand is not occupied.
8. Any blind, stand, or climbing device not in conformance with regulations or posted notice provisions or restrictions may be removed/impounded or destroyed by the government.

Baiting and Decoys

1. For the purposes of this policy, "bait" shall mean any grain, fruit, vegetable, nut, hay, salt, sorghum, feed, other food, or mineral that is capable of attracting wildlife. Liquid scents and sprays shall not be considered bait.
2. No person shall place, deposit, expose, or scatter bait while hunting or preparing to hunt on USACE lands in the State of Kansas or place, deposit, expose, or scatter bait in a manner that causes another person to be in violation of this policy.
3. Hunting shall be prohibited within 100 yards of any bait placed, deposited, exposed, or scattered on USACE lands in the State of Kansas. Bait shall be considered placed, deposited, exposed, or scattered on public lands for 10 days following complete removal of the bait.
4. Nothing in this policy shall prohibit the hunting or taking of wildlife over standing crops, grain found scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural operations, or grain found scattered solely as the result of normal weather conditions.
5. Decoys shall not be left unattended overnight.

[Violations are subject to a written warning or citation in accordance with Title 36, Chapter III, Part 327, Rules and Regulations governing public use of Corps of Engineers Water Resource Development Projects.](#)

All federal and state game laws apply to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers land.

If you have any questions contact the Perry Lake Project Office at (785) 597-5144.