

## **POE'S RIDGE PERMIT HUNTING AREA REGULATIONS**

**PERMIT HUNTING AREA:** Approximately 264 acres in the Poe's Ridge Recreation Area are set aside as the Poe's Ridge Permit Hunting Area (PHA). This area is available for permit hunting. Hunting is not the exclusive use of these areas. The area may also be used by hikers, bird watchers, etc, so please exercise caution. It is the hunter's responsibility to become familiar with the area and the boundaries of the Poe's Ridge PHA. Hunters do not have the right to cross or enter private property without permission of the property owner.

**CORPS PERMITS:** Each permit authorizes a disabled hunter and one companion to hunt for periods up to 6 days. Deer is the only game permitted to hunt in Poe's Ridge Permit Hunting Area. All hunters must have a valid hunting license or comply with state youth (16 and under) hunting regulations. Hunters must have a copy of their permit on their person when hunting at Poe's Ridge. The documents required to obtain a permit are:

1. A valid state hunting license or be in compliance with state youth hunting regulations
2. Hunting permit application
3. A valid picture identification
4. Documentation of permanent disability

First time applicants and minors must register in person at the B. Everett Jordan Dam & Lake Office Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the address listed below.

Returning applicants may also register by mail:

US Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: Poe's Ridge PHA Program  
B. Everett Jordan Dam and Lake  
P.O. Box 144  
Moncure, North Carolina 27559

**BLAZE ORANGE:** All hunters are required to wear hunter or blaze orange visible from all sides and some type of orange head wear when in designated hunting areas.

**SAFETY BUFFER:** Hunting is prohibited in areas posted "No Hunting" or "Safety Zone".

**AGE REQUIREMENTS:** Persons under the age of 16 can hunt only under the supervision of a licensed supervising parent or guardian.

**Dog Hunting:** Dogs may not be used to hunt.

**TRAPPING:** Trapping or snaring all animals is prohibited.

**FIREARMS AUTHORIZED for HUNTING:** Archery equipment, shotguns, and black power weapons as identified in NCWRC Regulation Digest may be used to take game in the Poe's Ridge PHA. All other firearms or manner of take are prohibited. Buckshot larger than #2 shot is prohibited.

**BLINDS and TREE STANDS:** A handicap accessible type hunting blind set in a naturally wooded environment is available to be reserved by permitted hunters for periods of up to 6 days. Temporary free-standing blinds such as tent-style and natural blinds are allowed. Each blind must be completely removed from the PHA upon completion of each hunting day. Natural blinds may be constructed by gathering loose and/or dead vegetation. Cutting of grass, shrubs, trees, or any other vegetation is strictly prohibited. Tree stands are restricted to portable, non-bark penetrating types only. Stands must be removed when not in actual use. All stands and blinds must be marked with Name, Phone Number and Address in a conspicuous location. If proper identification is not present, the structure may be impounded and/or removed.

**LEGAL GAME/SEASONS:** Permits are authorized for deer hunting only. Deer season shooting hours, harvest reporting, and bag limits set in the NCWRC Regulation Digest for the Jordan Game Lands will be applied in the Poe's Ridge PHA, unless otherwise specified. While the Poe's Ridge PHA is not part of the NCWRC Jordan Game Lands, use of the same season, hunting hours, and bag limits provides continuity for the hunters utilizing both areas.

**CAMPING:** Camping is not allowed within Poe's Ridge Recreation area. Camping is available only in designated camp grounds.

**VEHICLES/PARKING:** Access to the handicap accessible blind and to the interior of the PHA by vehicles may be authorized for the transport of persons with disabilities to and from the hunting site. Vehicles must be parked in Corps designated areas or along roadsides without blocking the passage of other vehicles or gate openings. Parking on public roadways is at your own risk.

**REPORTING:** Hunters must report taking of game in compliance with NCWRC reporting requirements. In addition each permitted hunter must return a completed hunter activity assessment by 1 March. This assessment will be used to compile information about hunting activity and harvest data at Poe's Ridge. *Failure to complete a hunter activity assessment will be grounds for denial of future permits.*

**VIOLATIONS:** Violations of Corps regulations are subject to a fine. Violations of rules or regulations of the hunting program may result in suspension of Poe's Ridge PHA permit privileges. By accepting a permit hunters agree that they have been furnished a copy of and understand this policy and agree to comply with it and all applicable state hunting laws.

**INFORMATION:** Additional information may be obtained by visiting the B. Everett Jordan Dam and Lake Visitor Assistance Center or by calling (919) 542-4501ext. 22.