

## Philpott Lake, US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Firearms Safety Information Map

Philpott Lake and the surrounding federal property are under the stewardship of the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). Some recreation and wildlife management areas are managed in partnership with state and local governments and other lessees. The possession, open carry, and discharge of firearms for the purposes of hunting and fishing (bow fishing) and/or concealed carry of a handgun for personal protection may be authorized in certain areas. Open carry of firearms for personal protection is not authorized.

**Please review all of the following information and contact the appropriate managing agency if you have questions.**

- The possession and discharge of firearms on federal property at Philpott Lake including leased areas are subject to the following:
  - 36 CFR 327.13 (a) The possession of loaded firearms, ammunition, loaded projectile firing devices, bows and arrows, crossbows, or other weapons is prohibited unless: (1) In the possession of a Federal, state or local law enforcement officer; (2) Being used for hunting or fishing, with devices being unloaded when transported to, from or between hunting and fishing sites. (3) Being used at authorized shooting ranges; (4) Written permission has been received from the District Commander*
  - 18 U.S.C. §930 Possession of firearms and dangerous weapons in Federal facilities*
- **Concealed Carry** of a handgun on federal property at Philpott Lake including leased areas is prohibited unless the individual has received written permission from the USACE Wilmington District Commander or their designee, in compliance with 36CFR327.13(a)(4). Concealed carry must be in full compliance with all Federal, state and local laws, so may not be authorized in some areas. Please contact the USACE Philpott Lake office for information on obtaining the required written authorization.
- **Open Carry** of firearms is authorized for the purposes of hunting and fishing (bow fishing) in compliance with 36CFR327.13(a)(2), in designated areas, during designated seasons, by properly licensed individuals, and in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws. Open carry of any firearm for personal protection is not authorized on federal property at Philpott Lake, including leased areas.
- There are no authorized shooting ranges at Philpott Lake.
- **USACE Management Areas: 276-629-2703**
  - Firearms are prohibited inside posted federal facilities (18U.S.C. §930(a))
  - Hunting and fishing with firearms and transport of unloaded firearms for the purpose of hunting and fishing in compliance with 36 CFR 327.13 (a)(2) and applicable laws are authorized.
  - Concealed carry of a handgun by individuals with written USACE authorization in compliance with applicable laws and 36CFR327.13(a)(4) is allowed, except where prohibited.
  - **USACE Firearms Safety Zone Restriction** - The discharge of firearms, projectile firing devices, bows and arrows, crossbows, or other weapons within, into, or across designated Firearms Safety Zones is prohibited.
    - **Firearms shall not be discharged within, into, or across designated firearms safety zones.**
    - The safety zone extends 100 yards (300 feet) from the shoreline
    - The safety zone restriction prohibits the discharge of firearms.
    - The safety zone restriction does not prohibit the transport of unloaded firearms in compliance with 36CFR327.13(a)(2)
    - Unless otherwise prohibited, the safety zone restriction does not prohibit concealed carry of a loaded handgun in compliance with 36CFR327.13(a)(4) or the discharge of the handgun for the purpose of personal protection.
- **Jamison Mill Park - Franklin County: 540-483-9392**
  - Hunting and fishing with firearms are prohibited.
  - Concealed carry of a handgun by individuals with written USACE authorization in compliance with 36CFR327.13(a)(4) and applicable laws is allowed, except where prohibited
- **Philpott Marina - Henry County: 276-634-4640**
  - Hunting and fishing with firearms are prohibited.
  - Possession/transport of firearms for hunting and fishing in compliance with 36CFR327.13(a) and applicable laws are authorized.
  - Concealed carry of a handgun by individuals with written USACE authorization in compliance with 36CFR327.13(a)(4) and applicable laws is allowed, except where prohibited
- **Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF) Wildlife Management Areas: 434-525-7522**
  - Hunting and fishing with firearms in compliance with VDGIF regulations, applicable laws, and 36CFR327.13(a) are authorized, except in restricted areas.
  - Concealed carry by individuals with written USACE authorization in compliance with 36CFR327.13(a)(4), applicable laws, and VDGIF Regulations is allowed, except where prohibited.

