



Sachuest Point National Wildlife Refuge

Saltwater Fishing Information

From legal sunrise to legal sunset, anglers are allowed to saltwater fish along the refuge shoreline of the Sakonnet River and Sachuest Bay **in accordance with State and Federal fishing regulations**, and refuge special conditions. Sachuest Beach is closed to all fishing from April 1 through September 15 to protect beach nesting birds. No fishing is allowed in the Maidford River.

A **night-time fishing permit is required** for all persons sixteen (16) years of age or older to access Sachuest Point National Wildlife Refuge for saltwater fishing from legal sunset to legal sunrise.

The fee for an annual permit is \$20.00 and a nightly pass is \$5.00.

Permittees must abide by all Federal, State and town regulations, including fishing license requirements.

Annual permits are valid from the date of issue through one (1) year. All permittees must be in possession of the permit while on refuge property. Vehicle pass must be visible in the lower left, (driver's side) corner of the windshield.

Permits may be purchased on-line at <https://rhodeislandpermits.recaccess.com>. If you would rather mail in your application, pick up an application at the Sachuest Point Visitor Center during normal operating hours, or print a copy from our website at http://www.fws.gov/refuge/sachuest_point/.

The following conditions apply to all anglers:

- 1) Anglers may saltwater fish in the Sakonnet River and Sachuest Bay from the refuge shoreline
- 2) Anglers may saltwater fish at Sachuest Beach from September 16 to March 31
- 3) Anglers may night-fish after legal sunset with a refuge permit.
- 4) Night-time fishing permits are valid for saltwater fishing only. Refuge is closed to all other activities at sunset.
- 5) Vehicles may park in the visitor parking area ONLY
- 6) Fires are prohibited
- 7) No tents or camping allowed
- 8) Take your trash with you, including bait and tackle. Help keep the refuge clean.
- 9) Federal and State fishing regulations apply

Questions?

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SACHUEST POINT NIGHT FISHING PERMIT APPLICATION

Date_____

First Name_____ Last Name_____ Middle Initial_____

Mailing Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Phone Number_____

Permit Fee: \$20.00 Annual Permit, expires 1 year from date of issue

Make checks payable to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Mail application and fee to: Rhode Island NWR Complex
Attn: Fishing Permit
50 Bend Road
Charlestown, RI 02813

For online purchase, visit <https://rhodeislandpermits.recaccess.com>