



Fishing Regulations **Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge**



Fishing & crabbing on Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge is allowed on designated areas (see map on reverse side) in accordance with State regulations.

Anglers using boats on Turkle and Fleetwood Ponds may propel them manually or with electric motors only. State boating regulations are applicable. Air thrust and in-board water-thrust boats are prohibited on all waters within the refuge boundaries. There is a 30 horsepower limit for boats using Prime Hook Creek.

Permit

No Refuge-specific permits are required. **A valid State of Delaware fishing license is required for fishing or crabbing in designated areas including both tidal and non-tidal waters.** The license must be carried on the person at all times and must be exhibited to Federal and State officers upon request.

General

- Pets are permitted if on a ten foot leash; one end of the leash must be secured to restrict movement of the animal.
- Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge is carry-in/carry-out facility. Please take all your trash with you including fishing line which can be a hazard to wildlife.
- The destruction, disturbance or removal of nesting facilities, plants or animals is prohibited.
- Weapons and littering are prohibited.
- Camping and open fires are prohibited.

Vehicles

Motor vehicles are permitted on designated roads open to the public travel. Maximum speed is 25 MPH. Parking is permitted in designated parking area. All State regulations and laws are applicable.

Boat Launching

Boats must be launched from designated points of access.

Hours

The refuge is open from ½ hour before legal sunrise to ½ hour after legal sunset. All boats must be off the water at legal sunset.

For further information, contact Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge, 11978 Turkle Pond Road, Milton, DE 19968. Telephone: (302) 684-8419.