

Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge

Fishing Information



The Blue Goose is the symbol of the National Wildlife Refuge System, a network of lands and waters managed for the benefit of wildlife and people.



Welcome

Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge was established in 1928 to protect feeding and breeding grounds for migratory waterfowl. The Refuge is located in northern Utah, where the Bear River meets the north end of the Great Salt Lake.

Vehicles and Parking

Legally licensed vehicles are allowed on Refuge roads open to the public. Unlicensed off-highway vehicles (OHVs), such as motorcycles or all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), cannot be used on the Refuge.

Parking is permitted in designated parking areas only.

The Refuge auto tour is open from sunrise to sunset.

Prohibited Activities

- Camping or overnight parking, including RVs.
- Lighting of fires or campfires.
- Littering, including bait, fishing line, and hooks.
- Use or possession of alcoholic beverages while fishing.
- Off-road vehicle travel.
- Fishing from Refuge bridges and water control structures.
- Fishing outside of designated areas.

Fishing Regulations

Fishing is allowed in accordance with Utah State regulations. See the Utah Fishing Proclamation available at <http://wildlife.utah.gov/guidebooks/> and at the Refuge Wildlife Education Center.

- Fishing is allowed only in designated fishing areas along Reeder Canal, Whistler Canal, O Line Canal, Duckville parking lot, and the auto tour entrance, as indicated on the map.
- Fishing west of the auto tour gate is allowed in designated areas from sunrise to sunset.
- Access to designated fishing areas is walk-in only.
- Boat access is only allowed at designated boat ramps on the Bear River.

Firearms

Persons possessing, transporting, or carrying firearms on National Wildlife Refuge System lands must comply with all provisions of State and local law. Persons may only use (discharge) firearms in accordance with Refuge regulations (50 CFR 27.42 and Refuge-specific regulations in 50 CFR Part 32).

You may only discharge firearms during legal hunting activities. Target shooting is prohibited.

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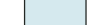


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|  | Refuge boundary |  | Parking |
|  | Federal interstate highway |  | Linked symbols designate accessible features |
|  | State highway |  | Fishing pier |
|  | Secondary road |  | Visitor center and headquarters |
|  | Auto tour (one way) |  | Information kiosk |
|  | Auto tour entrance gate |  | Restroom |
|  | Designated fishing area |  | Boat ramp (year-round access) |
|  | Closed to Fishing | | |

