Welcome hunters! Please note: Due to year-round visitation to the park by a variety of recreation user groups we ask all hunters to check in each season with the ranger staff at the Visitor Center for specific and updated information on hunting at Ridgway State Park.

Park Hunting Regulations

ARTICLE IV #106

It shall be unlawful to carry or discharge explosives, firearms, and/or other weapons on Parks and Outdoor Recreation Lands, except as follows:

• Bows and arrows may be used as a method of fishing in accordance with regulations issued by the divisions of Wildlife.

The following designated methods of hunting may be used in the following areas during hunting seasons that are authorized by the Wildlife Commission from the Tuesday after Labor Day and continuing through the Friday prior to Memorial Day:

- During deer, elk and small game seasons, any lawful method of hunting may be used in areas not posted as prohibiting such use on Ridgway State Park on all lands open to the public access east of Highway 550.
- During any authorized hunting season from October 1 to April 30 of each year, and any approved special season, any lawful method may be used on Ridgway State Park lands open to public access west of Ridgway Reservoir, except that the area bounded by Dallas Creek on the south and the site closure signs on the north shall be closed to all hunting.

• During any authorized waterfowl hunting season from October 1 to April 30 of each year, and any approved special season, waterfowl hunting shall be permitted within the Dallas Creek Recreation Site at Ridgway State Park, except that hunting shall be prohibited between the park road and U. S. Highway 550 and in other areas posted as prohibiting such use.

It shall be unlawful:

- To discharge explosives, firearms, and/or other weapons within 100 yards of any designated campground, picnic area, boat ramp, swimming or water skiing beach or nature trail and study area, except as may be otherwise posted.
- To discharge explosives, firearms, and/or other weapons from any location so that projectiles are caused to cross over or fall upon Parks and Outdoor Recreation Lands.

Hunters! Please keep in mind that other park activities such as hiking, fishing, boating, picnicking, etc. are still taking place during hunting season, and that these park visitors have every right to pursue their recreation in the park with you. Colorado State Parks is a multi-use agency and the continuation of hunting on the park relies heavily on the courteous and ethical behavior of hunters on the park. Please work with us to preserve your privilege of hunting on park lands.



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