



Elk State Park

A Pennsylvania Recreational Guide

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Information and Reservations

Elk State Park

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The 3,192-acre Elk State Park is in the rugged mountains of northern Pennsylvania. The 1,160-acre East Branch Clarion River Lake is large enough for unlimited horsepower boating and is great for waterskiing. The lake and nearby streams are stocked with warmwater and coldwater fish.

Directions

GPS DD: Lat. 41.60621 Long. -78.55995

Elk State Park is about eight miles east of Wilcox on Rasselas Road and about nine miles south of Clermont on Wilcox Clermont Road.

Recreational Opportunities

BOATING: Unlimited horsepower motors permitted

The East Branch Clarion River Lake has one boat launch on Instantter Road. The Instantter boat launch and dock are for unloading and loading only. This U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Pittsburgh District lake also provides a boat launch by the dam.

Per Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission regulations, the following boaters are required to wear a life jacket:

- On Pittsburgh District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers lakes (only), everyone in boats less than 16 feet in length and in all canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards.
- All water skiers and anyone towed behind vessels, personal watercraft operators and passengers, and sailboarders (windsurfers). Inflatable life jackets are not acceptable for these activities.
- Children 12 years of age and younger on commonwealth waters when underway on any boat 20 feet or less in length and on all canoes and kayaks.
- Boaters must wear a life jacket on boats less than 16 feet in length or any canoe or kayak from November 1 through April 30.

Motorboats must display a boat registration from any state. Non-powered boats must display one of the following: boat registration from any state; launch permit or mooring permit from Pennsylvania State Parks, available at most state park offices; launch use permit from the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission.

FISHING: The lake is a coldwater fishery and is stocked by the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission with tiger muskellunge, walleye, smallmouth bass, and brook, rainbow, brown, and lake trout. Five-mile Run, Seven

Mile Run, Straight Creek, Middle Fork Creek, and Crooked Creek are all stocked streams. Many smaller streams abound in native brook trout. Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission regulations and laws apply.

HUNTING AND FIREARMS: About 3,150 acres are open to hunting, trapping, and the training of dogs during established seasons. Common game species are black bears, deer, and turkeys. Hunting is also permitted on the adjacent Elk State Forest and State Game Lands 25.

Hunting woodchucks, also known as groundhogs, is prohibited. Dog training is only permitted from the day following Labor Day through March 31 in designated hunting areas. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and the Pennsylvania Game Commission rules and regulations apply. Contact the park office for ADA accessible hunting information.

Use extreme caution with firearms at all times. Other visitors use the park during hunting seasons. Firearms and archery equipment used for hunting may be uncased and ready for use only in authorized hunting areas during hunting seasons. In areas not open to hunting or during non-hunting seasons, firearms and archery equipment shall be kept in the owner's vehicle or enclosed trailer. Exceptions include: law enforcement officers and individuals with a valid *Pennsylvania License to Carry Firearms* are authorized to carry a firearm concealed on their person while they are within a state park.



Access for People with Disabilities

This symbol indicates facilities and activities that are Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible for people with disabilities. This publication text is available in alternative formats.

If you need an accommodation to participate in park activities due to a disability, please contact the park you plan to visit.



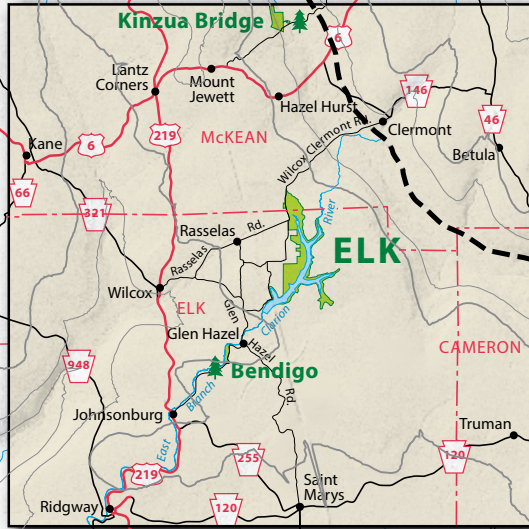
In an Emergency

Call 911 and contact a park employee. Directions to the nearest hospital are posted on bulletin boards.

NEAREST HOSPITAL

Penn Highlands Elk
763 Johnsonburg Road
St. Mary's, PA 15857
814-788-8000

ELK STATE PARK



- Public Phone
- Modern Restrooms
- Water
- Picnicking
- Picnic Pavilion
- Scenic View
- Camping
- Sanitary Dump Station
- Boat Launch
- Hand-carry Boat Launch
- Hiking Trail
- Multi-use Trail: Hiking, Mountain Biking
- Unpaved Road
- Drivable Trail
- Gate
- Parking Paved
- Parking Unpaved
- State Park No Hunting
- State Park Hunting
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

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