



MassWildlife Lands User Guide

Noquochoke Wildlife Management Area

Town: Dartmouth

Acreage: 205

Wildlife Management Zone: 11

Description of property:

Noquochoke WMA features hardwood and softwood forests primarily of pine, cedar, and oak and contains multiple, small grassy meadows.

Location/Access/Parking:

A large dirt parking lot for 50 vehicles is located off of Hixville Road in Dartmouth.

Habitat Management:

The grassy areas are mowed and burned on an infrequent basis to maintain grassland habitat for wildlife.

Hunting Opportunities:

This WMA provides good opportunities for hunting white-tailed deer, wild turkey, and eastern coyote. This area is stocked with ring-necked pheasants. For more information on pheasant stocking, go to [Mass.gov/Pheasant](https://www.mass.gov/Pheasant).

Fishing Opportunities:

Shingle Island River provides fishing opportunities for warmwater species including bullhead, largemouth bass, and yellow perch and is stocked with trout in the spring. For more information on trout stocking, visit [Mass.gov/Trout](https://www.mass.gov/Trout).

Wildlife Viewing and Other Features:

Along the Shingle Island River there is an alluvial Atlantic white cedar swamp, an uncommon type of natural community. On the eastern side of the WMA there is an acidic graminoid fen, another uncommon natural community. These wetland communities and the grasslands here support a diverse array of plants and animals. There are multiple unmaintained short trails throughout this property.

Special WMA Regulations:

During pheasant season, a blaze orange hat must be worn by all hunters except while night-hunting raccoon or opossum or while hunting waterfowl from within a blind or boat. No person shall hunt before sunrise or after sunset during the open season on pheasant, except for the hunting of raccoon or opossum between 9:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m.

Useful Links

[WMA Regulations](#)

[Habitat Program](#)

[Hunting & Fishing](#)

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