



# MassWildlife Lands User Guide

## Southampton Wildlife Management Area

**Towns:** Holyoke, Southampton

**Acreage:** 171

**Wildlife Management Zone:** 4S

### Description of property:

This property consists of forests and fields and lies in the relatively flat plain of Broad Brook. The upland forest consists of central hardwoods of oak and hickory intermixed with softwoods of white and pitch pine. Over 60 acres of varying sized fields in different stages of succession are spread throughout the WMA.

### Location/Access/Parking:

The property can be accessed from Cook Rd and Mountain Rd. A gravel parking area for 3 cars is located on Cook Rd. Parking areas are not maintained in the winter.

### Habitat Management:

Open areas are managed for old field habitat and early successional or young forested habitat to benefit numerous game and non-game species. Two nesting boxes for American Kestrels have been placed to help this species of conservation concern.

### Hunting Opportunities:

This area is stocked with Ring-necked Pheasants. Other opportunities exist for White-tailed Deer, Wild Turkey, American Woodcock, Ruffed Grouse, cottontail rabbit and Eastern Coyote. Note that this WMA is surrounded by residential development so obey all setback distances.

### Fishing Opportunities:

Broad Brook is a coldwater fisheries resource stream and the brook is stocked in the spring in nearby Holyoke.

### Wildlife Viewing and Other Features:

Old field habitat and riparian areas along Broad Brook make this property an excellent place for birding, butterfly watching and other wildlife viewing activities.

### Special WMA Regulations:

During pheasant season, a blaze orange hat must be worn by all hunters except while night-hunting Raccoons or Opossums 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 Raccoons or Opossums between 9:00 P.M. and 3:00 A.M.

### Useful Links

[WMA Regulations](#)

[Habitat Program](#)

[Hunting & Fishing](#)

### Fishing/Hunting Licenses

[Mass.gov/MassFishHunt](https://www.mass.gov/MassFishHunt)

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### Get Your Orange On!

All outdoor users are encouraged to wear blaze orange during hunting seasons.

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