

Rules and Regulations

Open Season - from the last Sunday in February through October 31.

Fishing is permitted daily from **0500 (5:00 am) and 2100 (9:00 pm)**, except on stocking days.

On days when trout are stocked, fishing is permitted from 1800 (6:00 pm) to 2100 (9:00 pm) only. A stocking schedule is provided on site. Dates can change as needed due to unforeseen circumstances.

Stone Mill Spring's fishing and recreation area is accessible by foot only. The parking lot is located approximately 1/3 of a mile south of the spring. It can be reached by following the signs on the road leading past the Piney Valley Golf Course (FLW 26).

A Missouri Fishing Permit is required except for Missouri residents who are sixty-five (65) years of age or older, and any person who is fifteen (15) years of age or younger. A Missouri Fishing Permit may be purchased online at:
<https://www2.mo.wildlifelicenses.com/start.php>

A valid Missouri Trout Permit is required to possess and transport trout.

Each person shall keep their trout separate and distinctly identifiable from trout taken or possessed by another.

Vehicle use is restricted to graveled and paved roads and parking areas only.

Not more than one (1) pole and line may be used by one (1) person at any time.

Flies, artificial lures, unscented soft plastic baits and natural and scented baits may be used.

The use of any foods to attract fish, except when placed on a hook, is prohibited.

Gigging, snaring, snagging, and the taking of live bait are prohibited.

Fishing is prohibited where designated by signs.

Stone Mill Spring Branch is owned by the United States Forest Service (USFS) and cooperatively managed by the USFS, Missouri Department of Conservation, and the Fort Leonard Wood Natural Resources Branch.

Daily catch limits:

- Trout – **four (4)**. **IMPORTANT:** no person shall continue to fish for any species after having four (4) trout in their possession. Trout of any size may be possessed.

Posted regulations are IAW Fort Leonard Wood regulation 210-21-5a-f and the Missouri Wildlife Code.

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