

STATE OF NEBRASKA CORONAVIRUS COVID 19 DIRECTIVES

With current health concerns surrounding the COVID 19 Virus, Governor Pete Ricketts has issued a number of directives, orders, and health mandates. This group fishing permit waiver **DOES NOT** waive any of those and the permit is subject to any additional government actions/mandates that may be issued in the future. **ANY STAY AT HOME ORDER OR STATE WIDE SHUT DOWN WILL VOID THIS PERMIT WAIVER FOR THE DURATION OF THE ORDER.** We all need to do our part to reduce the spread and flatten the curve of this virus to keep us all healthy.

Groups are limited to 10 persons or less. We strongly encourage much less.

Any staff or clients that any of the following apply to should be under self-quarantine and not participate:

- Temperature of 100.4 degrees

- Coughing AND sore throat

- Difficulty breathing/shortness of breath

- Exposure to anyone who has been diagnosed or has been tested and is awaiting diagnosis of Coronavirus COVID 19.

- Exposure to someone that has traveled to an area of known community spread or out of the country in the past 14 days.

Social distancing of 6 feet or more must be maintained at all times.

- On a fishing outing, this means people must stay a fishing pole's length or more apart from one another.

- We recommend you do not share your fishing gear, tackle, or bait.

- No high fives or shaking hands; whoop and holler to celebrate the good catches!

Cough into your elbow or a tissue and discard the tissue properly in a waste receptacle.

Do not touch your face (eyes, nose and mouth) with your hands.

WASH YOUR HANDS FOR 20 SECONDS AND/OR USE HAND SANITIZER **FREQUENTLY.**

Thank you for doing your part! Happy fishing!



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Patti Reddick
Department of Health and Human Services
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Dear Patti:

Pursuant to the provisions of section 37-425, R.R.S. 1998, permission is granted to DHHS Division of Children and Family Services to take wards of the state fishing, on a group basis, for therapeutic purposes.

Any staff member or guardian who accompanies the wards of the state **may assist the wards in fishing and are not required to have a valid fishing permit.** Those staff or guardians that are actively fishing themselves must possess a valid fishing permit.

State statutes do not allow for a waiver of the park entry permit.

This permit, or a photocopy, must be carried by a staff member when wards of the state are fishing.

This permit expires December 31, 2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy D. McCoy".

Timothy D. McCoy, PhD
Deputy Director

CC: Craig Stover, Law Enforcement Division

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