

Hunting



SUPERIOR NATIONAL FOREST

HEADQUARTERS

DULUTH, MN

The Superior National Forest welcomes visitors to hunt as one of many opportunities available to outdoor sports enthusiasts. The USDA Forest Service and Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) share responsibility for managing wildlife resources on the Forest. The DNR is responsible for regulating hunting seasons. Game laws are enforced by both the DNR and the Forest Service.

Hunting is allowed on all Superior National Forest lands, including the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW), with the following provisions:

- All Minnesota hunting and fishing laws apply.
- Permits are required for the BWCAW and wilderness regulations apply.
- It is illegal to shoot across a Forest Service road, or discharge a firearm within 150 yards of a recreation site, building, campsite, or residence.
- All commercial guiding must be under permit with the Forest Service.



Off Highway and All Terrain Vehicles

Before accessing the Superior National Forest by ATV or any other off-highway vehicle, consult a Motor Vehicle Use Map. These maps can be obtained at any Ranger Station or online at www.fs.usda.gov/superior.

Just a few of the important guidelines regarding motor vehicle use are:

- Travel is permitted only on the roads or trails which are shown on the map.
- State Regulations regarding vehicle use apply in the National Forest.
- No cross country, including for game retrieval, travel is permitted.

For More Information

About Hunting Regulations:

MN Department of Natural Resources

1-888-646-6367

www.dnr.state.mn.us

Turn In Poachers (24 hours):

1-800-652-9093

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Hunting Stands

Hunters may use portable blinds or hunting stands that do not damage live trees and that are removed at the end of the hunt. Portable stands are those that are chained, belted, clamped, or tied with rope and do no permanent damage.

Permanent blinds and stands are not allowed. They often cause damage to trees, and lead to other resource damage, including the cutting of timber for shooting lanes, cross-country travel by ATV's, litter, and development of roads and trails.

Remember that no one has the right to attempt to reserve public lands for exclusive use through acts of implied ownership or intimidation.



Camping

Developed campgrounds in the Superior National Forest are generally open from mid-May through mid-October with regular services and fees. Some campgrounds are open year-round with reduced services (no water or garbage pickup). Visitors may camp in designated backcountry campsites. Outside the BWCAW, you may set up camp anywhere, so long as it is 150 feet or further from developed areas including campgrounds, parking lots, roads, trails, and trailheads. Camping in the BWCAW requires permits and wilderness regulations apply.

- Do not block a gate, road or trail.
- Do not camp in parking lots for trailheads or canoe and boat landings.
- A site may not be reserved by establishing a camp without occupying it.
- Bring a portable toilet or bury your waste 6 to 8 inches deep at least 150 feet from any water source.
- Firewood should be dead and downed wood only. Transporting wood from out of state is prohibited.
- Personal camping equipment and fixtures must be removed at the end of your trip.

For more information, go to www.fs.usda.gov/superior on the web or contact:

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Leave No Trace Principles

1. Plan ahead and prepare.
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
3. Dispose of waste properly.
4. Minimize use and impact of fires.
5. Respect wildlife.
6. Leave what you find.
7. Be considerate of other

