

## MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR FLOATING BLINDS

Floating blinds subject to periodic inspection by project personnel. Compliance inspections may be conducted at any time. In addition to the Shoreline Use permit conditions, the following standards have been established specifically for these blinds on Wappapello Lake. All blinds must be placed on site at least one week prior to the opening day of the hunting season or the permit will be null and void. No new permit applications will be accepted for that year's hunting season after close of business the third Friday in October.

1. Structure size shall be kept to a minimum to limit encroachment of the water surface. Maximum structure size shall be limited to one level and no larger than 400 square surface feet or 20' x 20', including the area for the boat used to access the blind.

2. Floating blinds may not be placed upon the lake unless they display a current Shoreline Use Permit Sign. The Shoreline Use Permit Sign provided shall be posted so that it can be visually checked with ease, such as inside the covered boat stall area. If the Shoreline Use Permit Sign is lost or stolen, the permittee shall contact the lake management office as soon as possible and a replacement tag will be issued. Any blind without a permit will be considered unauthorized and subject to impoundment and disposal in accordance with existing regulations.

3. No signs other than the Shoreline Use Permit Sign will be allowed to be placed on the structure. Posters and pamphlets on such subjects as hunting regulations, shooting hours, waterfowl identification and blind ownership may be posted.

4. Accuracy of the blind placement is the responsibility of the permit holder. GPS location of the blind will be established at the time of site selection.

5. Any change to blind location, after initial selection, must have prior approval by the Operations Manager.

6. All blinds will be placed on the water at a minimum distance of 300 yards from any other blind, private floating facility, or marina and 100 YARDS FROM THE CENTER OF THE navigation channel.

7. Blinds must be securely anchored. A blind that drifts must be immediately reset in the approved location and re-anchored. Blinds may not be attached or affixed to any living vegetation or tree. No posts, pilings, stakes, or pipes may be driven into the lake for anchorage.

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8. All anchors must be removed from the lake when the blind is removed or relocated. Brush or leaves from any living tree or other plant on public lands or waters will not be gathered and used to camouflage blinds.
9. Floating blinds, including anchorage, decoys and related items must be either removed from the lands and waters of Wappapello Lake or relocated to a designated storage area within two weeks after close of the applicable hunting season, or as otherwise stated in the Application for Shoreline Use Permit condition. Floating blinds that have not been towed to a designated storage area or removed from the lake are unauthorized structures and subject to impoundment and disposal at owner's expense in accordance with existing regulations.
10. The open burning of any blind or other material on public lands at Wappapello Lake without prior approval by the Operations Manager is prohibited.
11. Storage areas for floating blinds may be managed by concessionaires as satellite docks so long as they are in approved locations. Satellite docks managed by permitted concessionaires shall be subject to terms of the applicable commercial lease.
12. The fee(s) charged for placement and storage of a floating blind will be as stated in Attachment F. Blinds that will be stored in the designated storage coves on Wappapello Lake will be assessed an additional storage fee of \$50. This fee is non-refundable and may be collected at the time of the duck blind drawing.
13. Citations will be issued for violations and may lead to removal or impoundment and disposal of blinds, as per section 6.11 of the Shoreline Management Plan.