

**CONDENSED RULES FOR
KOSSUTH COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD PROPERTIES
04/01/18**

1. It is unlawful to damage or remove any natural resources or man-made structures within county properties without the consent of the conservation board or its agent.
2. The speed limit within county areas is 10 miles per hour. ATV's and UTV's are not allowed on any of the county parks or wildlife areas except where designated.
3. Vehicles must park in designated lots only and operate only on designated roadways.
4. Animals must be controlled at all times and may not be tethered to trees or other property in a manner which will cause damage.
5. The use of fireworks, or explosives is prohibited. The use of firearms is prohibited except in designated areas.
6. Littering and dumping of trash is unlawful in all county areas.
7. All persons shall vacate county parks between the hours of 10:30 P.M. - 4:00 A.M. This does not apply to authorized camping or legal fishing in areas provided for that purpose.
8. Camping is permitted only in designated areas from April 15 to October 31, weather permitting.
9. The conservation board and its agents reserve the right to refuse and rescind any or all area privileges to anyone found in violation of these rules or laws set by the state and federal government.
10. Hunting and trapping are permitted in all county areas except Smith Lake Park, Siems Park, Smith Prairie, Daubendiek Prairie and Greenwood Marsh. All state and federal laws apply to these activities.
11. All boats shall be operated and equipped in accordance with the laws of the State of Iowa and all operators shall be governed by the right-of-way rules set forth in the statutes of the state of Iowa.
12. All state and federal laws must be followed when fishing on public lakes. A minimum length limit of fifteen inches is imposed on all largemouth bass taken in public lakes. At Smith Lake the minimum length limit is eighteen inches for largemouth bass.
13. Keg beer will be allowed only at the Water's Edge Nature Center Meeting Room as part of the conditions of the rental. An alcohol deposit of \$200 is required.
14. Shelter houses are available to reserve at Smith Lake, Michealsen Marsh, Burt Lake and Siems Park. Reservations must be made in advance with the rental fee paid if applicable. Reservations may be made in person at the Water's Edge Nature Center Office or by calling 515-295-2138. If no reservations are made, the shelters are available for free on a first come first served basis.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

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