

Guidelines for Visiting & Enjoying CWC Preserves

The nature preserves of the Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy have been established to protect vital habitats for native plants and wildlife and to preserve the ecological functions of our watershed. Most, but not all, of our preserves are open to the public year-round for passive recreational activities during daylight hours (sunrise to sunset) including: hiking, fishing, bird watching, nature study, nature photography, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

For the safety and enjoyment of our visitors as well as the stewardship of our preserves, please note and observe the following: All CWC preserves are open to the public only during daylight hours (sunrise to sunset).

- Visitors should stay within preserve boundaries and not trespass on neighboring private lands.
- Dogs are welcome but must be kept on a leash and under control at all times. Any pet waste must be picked up and properly disposed of.
- Visitors should take out everything they bring with them, including garbage.
- The following activities ARE NOT PERMITTED on CWC preserves:
 - Littering
 - Dumping
 - Camping
 - Cooking or camp fires
 - Trapping
 - Horseback riding
 - Smoking
 - Use of alcohol or drugs
 - Discharge of firearms (unless hunting is permitted on the site)
 - Use of motorized vehicles, including bicycles, scooters, ATVs, snowmobiles and motorcycles
 - Disturbance, collection, removal or destruction of any plants, trees, wildlife or other natural material

(Hunting is permitted on *some* of our preserves. Please contact the CWC for more information.)

Thank you for respecting these guidelines and rules while you visit and enjoy our preserves.

We appreciate your help in keeping our preserves clean, safe and beautiful for visitors and wildlife alike!