

2026 LONG POND FISHING NOTICE

Attention Long Pond Anglers,

To ensure Long Pond remains a free, safe and sustainable fishing location for all users, West Point is incorporating Long Pond into its broader permit and user check-in system on iSportsman. Effective 01 October 2026, in accordance with West Point Regulation 215-5 all anglers 16 and older must have a West Point permit and check in/out to fish at Long Pond. To do so, users must 1. Have an iSportsman account (URL: <https://westpoint.isportsman.net>) 2. Take a Safety & Regulatory Brief, 3. Acquire a free Long Pond permit and 4. Check in/out when fishing Long Pond. **See page 2 of this notice for instructions on creating an account, the safety/regulatory brief, acquiring a permit, and mandatory checking in/out.**

The New Permits

West Point has two new free Long Pond fishing permits: 1. **A-18. General Public Long Pond Fishing Permit** for General Public users and 2. **A-19. Non-General Public Long Pond Fishing Permit** for all other users. Both permits are no fee, one-year permits granting users permission to fish strictly at Long Pond. Long Pond fishing will also continue to be permitted by other, older, fee-based, installation-wide West Point fishing activity permits.

Creating an Account

From the West Point iSportsman home page, new users should select the orange “New User” button to be taken to a page explaining user eligibility and user type. After reviewing the New User page, there is a link at the bottom of the page to a two-page account application form. **See account creation instructions on page 2 of notice.**

Note: On the form, General Public will select the “General Public Long Pond Angler” user type. Do not select the “General Public Sportsman” (formerly General Public). Old General Public users need not create new accounts.

Awaiting Account approval: Once a user creates an account, he/she must wait for approval of the account by a site administrator which can take up to a few days. Users will be sent an e-mail upon account approval.

Taking the Mandatory Safety & Regulatory Brief

After approval, users must log in to take a mandatory Safety & Regulatory Brief, a short presentation on program rules and safety practices. General Public anglers will take the “General Public Long Pond Angler Safety Brief”. Other users will take the “West Point Safety Brief.” **See safety brief instructions on page 2 of notice.**

Note: All users must take the Safety & Regulatory Brief, which grants the validation necessary to acquire a permit and check in. This validation lasts one year before users must retake this brief to keep this validation active.

Acquiring the free Long Pond Permit

Next, a user may acquire the proper permit. General Public users will select A-18. General Public Long Pond Fishing Permit. Other users will select A-19. Non-General Public Long Pond Fishing Permit. Users with other West Point Fishing permits do not need this permit. **See permit acquisition instructions on page 2 of notice.**

Mandatory Check-in/Check-out

All Long Pond anglers must always check in/out on every trip. Anglers must be in an area within an hour of check-in and check-out within an hour of leaving. Users may check-in guests, up to two per user, at Long Pond. Return guests are encouraged to have own accounts. **See checkin/checkout instructions on page 2 of notice.**

With this program alignment and accountability protocol in place, anglers can continue to freely access Long Pond and program managers can better promote user safety and regulatory compliance as well as better understand and manage resource use. Happy Fishing!

- West Point Natural Resources Section

INSTRUCTIONS

1. CREATING AN ACCOUNT

To create an account:

1. From the West Point iSportsman website, click the New Users page and review eligibility and user type.
2. Click the blue “New User Account Form (Register Here)” link to be taken to the account application form.
3. Complete the two page Account Application form and submit it.
- *Note: Select proper Customer Type. General Public should select “General Public Long Pond Angler”
4. Wait for an iSportsman administrator to approve the account.

2. TAKING THE MANDATORY SAFETY & REGULATORY BRIEF

To Take the Safety & Regulatory Brief:

1. Log In to account. From the My Account homepage, select “My Safety Briefs” on the blue header bar.
2. Select the proper Safety Brief link to open the presentation.
- *Note: Public anglers only need to take the “Long Pond” safety brief. Others users will select “West Point” brief.
3. A slideshow powerpoint presentation PDF will appear. Review the brief.
4. Answer “Yes” to the one question quiz. This issues a validation and completes the Safety & Regulatory Brief.

3. ACQUIRING A PERMIT:

To acquire a permit:

1. From the My Account homepage, select the blue “Acquire Permits” button.
2. Select the blue “Add to Cart” button besides the proper permit,
3. Read the acknowledgement pop-up, select “I agree” box, and the blue “Save” button to add the permit to cart.
4. Select the blue “View Cart & Checkout” button. The free Long Pond permit requires no credit card information.
5. Select the blue “Checkout” button.
6. Select the green “Confirm” button. This completes the free permit acquisition process.

4. MANDATORY CHECK-IN/CHECK OUT

To check in:

1. From the My Account homepage, select the blue “Checkin/Checkout” button.
2. Select the white activity button.
3. Select the blue “I Accept” buttons on any pop-up windows.
4. Select the white Area button (e.g. “Long Pond”).
5. Enter guest information if applicable.
6. Select the blue “Checkin/Checkout” button. This completes the check-in process.

To check out:

1. From the My Account homepage, select the blue “Checkin/Checkout” button.
2. Select the red “Checkout” button.
3. Report harvest as prompted, if applicable. (Please report your catch.)
4. Select the blue “Confirm Checkout” button. This completes the check-out process.