

Deer, Wild Pig, and Rabbit Hunting Rules and Regulations

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The **Minnear Day Use** hunting area of Frank Raines Regional Park is property owned by Stanislaus County in Del Puerto Canyon. Only this area is open to deer, wild pig, and rabbit hunting. No hunting is allowed in private and undesignated areas. The number of hunters will be limited to the number of permits issued, and permits are issued on a first-come, first-serve basis. The Park is subject to close at any time by the Department's authority.

Please observe the following rules and regulations prepared to protect both property owners and hunters:

1. Hunting Seasons at Frank Raines Regional Park: (Refer to www.dfg.ca.gov for most current detailed rules and regulations. Subject to change without notice.)
 - a. Deer hunting: Seasonal
 - b. Pig hunting: Open year-round
 - c. Rabbit hunting: Open year-round or as designated by California Fish and Wildlife
2. Hunting weapons allowed: See State hunting websites for details at www.dfg.ca.gov.
 - a. Deer hunting: archery season is usually before rifle season, no shotgun is allowed.
 - b. No lead bullets. Frank Raines Minnear hunting area is within the California Condor range.
3. Hunting permit costs and number of permittees permitted:
 - a. \$15 per weekend or weekday-week per hunter. Weekend days are Saturday and Sunday. Weekdays are Monday through Friday. Permits are nontransferable and nonrefundable.
 - b. A maximum of 20 registered permittees are allowed to hunt per week or per weekend. Information regarding the number of annual permits issued during the season can be provided upon request. Annual permittees must still obtain weekly permits and notify the Department in advance of which weeks or weekends they plan to hunt. Any changes in hunting dates must be registered with the Department. If you change your planned hunting dates, we ask that you give a week's notice in advance so that other hunters may have the opportunity to select that week/weekend to hunt since permits are limited. Annual permits are valid July through June in conjunction with your hunting license. Hunting dates must be reserved and are limited.
 - c. Purchasing a hunting permit must be made in person at the main office on an initial purchase at the beginning of each fiscal year. The hunter may obtain and pay for a permit electronically for any additional days within the same fiscal year after their initial purchase; payments may be made via telephone upon qualification. Verification of the hunter's State photo identification and hunting license is required on the initial purchase. We accept Visa and Mastercard. No debit cards accepted.
4. All hunting is allowed between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset. (*CCR, Title 14, Sec. 352*)
5. **Permit holders may hunt in the Minnear Area only. (Map is available and provided by the Department.) Any hunting activity in the Minnear Area must be authorized by the Department of Parks and Recreation by issuance of a hunting permit. Permittee is responsible for understanding the boundaries of the designated hunting area.**
6. All hunters must have a valid driver's license, verified hunting license, and hunting permit issued by the County. Hunting permit must be displayed on the dashboard of their vehicle.
7. Hunting tips: Plan ahead and be prepared for any hazards, weather and emergencies.
8. Drive only on existing open roads. No motorized vehicles of any kind are allowed in the Minnear Day Use hunting area. You must park in one of the three pullouts along the road. You may only hike and/or horseback in and out of the designated hunting area.
9. Overnight camping is allowed only in the designated campground areas of Frank Raines Regional Park. There are 34 campsites with full hook-up available. (The maximum occupancy is 2 vehicles per site). No camping is allowed in the Minnear Day Use hunting area.
10. Smoking is prohibited ten (10) feet from vegetation areas. Precautionary fire hazards need to be taken.
11. No alteration to the area is allowed; leave rocks, plants, and natural objects as you found them. Do not build structures, furniture, or dig trenches.
12. Do not scatter or dump trash in fields or along the roads. Pack out all trash, leftover food, and litter. Deposit solid human waste in cat-holes dug 6-8 inches deep at least 200 feet from water or trails. Cover and disguise the cat-holes when finished.
13. Do not disturb livestock. Do not needlessly approach cattle or stop near water that livestock are using.
14. No target practice is permitted in the area.
15. Any violation of these rules may cause the County representative to seize and revoke the permit of any person and prohibit him or her from the area. The County reserves the right to refuse issuing a permit to anyone, revoke any permit, and to eject anyone from the area for any reason when it appears that the safety or welfare of other persons is threatened.

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16. The permittee is responsible and must pay for all property that he or she may damage or injure while in the area. Any damage caused by the permit holder to County property, riparian areas, or adjacent privately owned property or chattel is the responsibility of the permit holder.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I have read all the rules and regulations pertaining to this permit and agree to be bound by same. By signing my name, hereto, I specifically waive, for myself, my heirs, administrators, assigns, and assignees, all claim and damage against the County of Stanislaus, its Officers, Directors, Officials, Employees, Agents, Volunteers, and Representatives, which includes the Department of Parks and Recreation, or the owner or owners of any land contained in this area for all injuries or loss occurring or arising in any manner whatsoever while I am exercising the privileges granted by this permit, using the area, or while en route to or from the same.

In consideration of the granting of permission by the County of Stanislaus to use the County facilities and to participate in the activities, I hereby assume all risk of personal injury to person or property received by me or arising out of the use of the County facilities and adjacent area.

Signature of Permittee: _____ Date: _____

(A parent must sign for a youth hunter and identify the youth's name)

Print Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Emergency Contact (Name & Phone No.): _____

Credit Card No.: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Type of Card: _____ Total Amount: \$ _____

Payment Authorization Signature: _____

Days Requesting: _____

(Call office for available hunting dates.)

IMPORTANT NOTE:

To obtain a permit to hunt, please be sure to state specifically which week/weekend you would like to hunt. Registered hunters may make changes to hunting dates with an advance 7-days' notice via telephone. **Prior to sending in payments, hunters must call (209) 525-6750 or visit the headquarters office to check if permits for that day is available.** Hunter's are responsible to check if they qualify to make a purchase by telephone. Purchasing a permit by telephone are only allowed if within the same fiscal year.

AVAILABLE PERMITS AND FEES:

- Maximum number of permits available during the week (Monday through Friday) – 20
- Maximum number of permits available during the weekend (Saturday through Sunday) – 20
- Hunting permit fee per week or weekend: \$15 per hunter, per week/ per weekend
- Hunting permit – annual (valid July-June hunting season): \$100 per hunter (check for available dates)
- Common specie in the area—Wild Pig, Deer, Rabbit
- For additional information, please visit <http://www.stancounty.com/er/parks/deer-hunting.shtml>



DEPARTMENT of PARKS AND RECREATION

OFFICE USE ONLY

(One hunter per application)

Annual Pass Holder valid for year: _____ Issued By: _____