

Bonnet Carré Spillway

General Rules & Regulations

1. Only licensed, street legal vehicles are allowed on spillway roads. The speed limit on spillway roads is 20 mph.
2. Spillway roads are to be utilized for access only. Operating vehicles in a manner that damages the roads is prohibited.
3. Vehicles may not be taken off existing roadways.
4. The riding of All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) is prohibited except in designated areas. ATVs must be brought into the project by trailer or truck and unloaded in the ATV parking area.
5. With the exception of the ATV parking area, only ATV vehicles are allowed in the designated ATV areas. For more information about off road activities, see the ATV rules and regulations.
6. Proper U.S. Coast Guard approved safety equipment is required on all vessels, including personal watercraft.
7. The spillway is closed to public use from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. daily, with the exception of campers and those who are launching boats at the front or the rear boat ramps. Camping is allowed in the parish recreation pavilion area only. A camping permit is required. Call the St. Charles Recreation Department at 985-783-5090 Monday – Friday for a free permit.
8. For your safety and security, carry personal I.D. and vehicle proof of ownership at all times.
9. Be considerate of others. Please take home whatever you bring into the spillway.
10. Please observe posted signs and bulletin boards.

The following activities are strictly prohibited:

1. Target practice and skeet shooting.
2. Rifles, handguns, ball ammunition, paint ball guns, explosives, and fireworks.
3. Shotguns and bow and arrows unless used for hunting according to Corps rules and state and parish laws. For more information about hunting, see the hunting rules and regulations.
4. Operating any vehicle or vessel in a reckless or negligent manner.
5. Littering or dumping of any kind

Please refer to the [full text](#) of Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations - [Part 327](#)- Rules & Regulations governing public use of water resources development projects administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Visitors are encouraged to become familiar with these rules governing the use of the spillway. Violators may be subject to a citation and/or an appearance before a federal magistrate. Copies are posted at all recognized spillway entrances or may be obtained at the spillway office located on River Road in Norco, by calling 504-764-0126, or logging on to www.mvn.usace.army.mil/recreation/.

Remember - Safety First - Wear a Life Jacket.