



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 1501:46-15-13 Permanent waterfowl blind, permit required.

Effective: April 2, 2026

No person shall place, construct, maintain, or use a permanent waterfowl blind in any area administered by the division without first obtaining a permanent waterfowl blind permit from the chief of the division or the chief's authorized agent.

- (A) Application for permanent waterfowl blinds will be submitted in the form and manner prescribed by the chief of the division of wildlife.
- (B) No person shall be permitted to enter a drawing for a permanent waterfowl blind until that person exhibits that person's Ohio hunting license, proof of purchase of an Ohio wetlands habitat stamp for the current year and a federal migratory bird hunting stamp from the previous year or current year. Persons under eighteen years of age are not required to possess an Ohio wetlands habitat stamp or federal migratory bird hunting stamp to participate, however they must possess a valid hunting license.
- (C) Prior to the issuance of a permanent waterfowl blind permit every applicant for such permit shall pay the fee specified in rule 1501:46-2-27 of the Administrative Code.
- (D) Persons shall remove their permanent waterfowl blind by the fifteenth day of March of each year.
- (E) Persons who fail to comply with paragraph (D) of this rule by not removing their permanent waterfowl blind by the fifteenth day of March shall not be eligible for a permanent waterfowl blind permit at any area administered by the division for the following year's season.
- (F) Persons receiving a division permanent waterfowl blind permit shall construct a blind on the designated location within forty-five days after the issuance of said permit. Failure to comply shall be cause for the forfeiture of both the permit and the fee.
- (G) No person shall apply for more than one permanent waterfowl blind permit.
- (H) No person shall apply or draw for a permanent waterfowl blind permit for another person.
- (I) No person shall construct a permanent waterfowl blind except within a reasonable distance of the site location designated by the permanent waterfowl blind permit.
- (J) No person shall install or place a stake in any water area for the purpose of anchoring or securing a permanent waterfowl blind.
- (K) This rule shall not apply to those areas where the permanent waterfowl blind permits are issued by authority of rule 1501:31-15-06 of the Administrative Code.



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For the purpose of this rule "permanent waterfowl blind" is a structure that is taken to, placed, or built for the purpose of concealment of waterfowl hunters and is left at the same place of concealment for more than one calendar day.

No person shall use a permanent waterfowl blind unless they are the permit holder of the blind or have the written permission of the permit holder.