Clark State Fishing Lake is a 300 acre impoundment in Clark County of southwest Kansas. At full pool, the lake has a maximum depth of 42 feet with an average depth of 17 feet. It is located in an extremely scenic setting of canyon country and is surrounded by 900 acres of public hunting. Camping, picnicking and fishing are allowed throughout the area. Four boat ramps are available for boat launching and boats are to be used for fishing purposes only. No horsepower rating limit is in effect. A no trash policy is in effect - you must take your own trash home with you. No setlines, banklines or trotlines are allowed. Cast netting for bait is allowed.

FISHING

Clark State Fishing Lake contains good populations of largemouth bass, walleye, white bass, channel catfish, crappie, bluegill and carp. Channel catfish and walleye are stocked yearly to maintain these populations. Walleye numbers are moderate with fish collected up to nine pounds. The white bass populations continues to increase and there are good numbers of 1 to 2 pounders. Crappie numbers are moderate with lots of quarter to half pound fish. Special length and creel limits may be in effect for some fish species. Check all posted notices and the Kansas Fishing Regulations Summary before fishing.

WILDLIFE

The public hunting area of Clark SFL is fairly small compared to other hunting areas around federal reservoirs, therefore it will not sustain extensive use. Still, there is potential for hunting whitetail and mule deer, turkey, quail, doves, cottontail rabbits and waterfowl. Furbearers are present on the area and some trapping is available for beaver, raccoon, coyote and bobcat.

Clark State Fishing Lake and Wildlife Area offers excellent opportunities for persons who enjoy wildlife photography or simply observing a wide variety of game and non-game wildlife. Turkey vultures frequent the area during the summer and nest in the cliffs on the area. Bald eagles often migrate through the area in fall and winter months.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Vehicles are restricted to the use of maintained roads and parking area. Off-road vehicle use is prohibited.

No electrical hookups, potable water or shower facilities are available and toilet facilities are limited to five.

Don’t forget the No Trash Policy - take your trash out with you.

Be sure to check fishing regulations and posted signs on the area for length and creel limits.

No ground fires are allowed. Burn only wood or charcoal in metal firerings and grills provided.

Consult regulations posted on information signs for all other regulations that apply.