461A.42 Use of firearms, explosives, weapons, and fireworks prohibited — exceptions.

- 1. The use of firearms, explosives, and weapons of all kinds by a person is prohibited in all state parks and preserves except under the following conditions:
- a. A firearm or other weapon authorized for hunting may be used in preserves or parts of preserves designated by the state advisory board on preserves at the request of the commission.
- b. A person may use a bow and arrow with an attached bow fishing reel and ninety-pound minimum line attached to the arrow to take rough fish as provided by rule of the commission.
- c. The commission may establish, by rule, the state parks or parts of state parks where firearms may be discharged during special events, festivals and education programs, or a special hunt to control animal populations. The rules governing special hunts to control animal populations shall be applied separately to each designated state park.
- 2. The use of consumer fireworks or display fireworks, as defined in section 727.2, in state parks and preserves is prohibited except as authorized by a permit issued by the department. The commission shall establish, by rule adopted pursuant to chapter 17A, a fireworks permit system which authorizes the issuance of a limited number of permits to qualified persons to use or display fireworks in selected state parks and preserves.
- 3. A person violating this section is guilty of a simple misdemeanor punishable as a scheduled violation pursuant to section 805.8B, subsection 6, paragraph "c".

[C39, §1828.08; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §111.42] 86 Acts, ch 1245, §1877; 91 Acts, ch 101, §1 C93, §461A.42

97 Acts, ch 180, §1; 99 Acts, ch 153, §10; 2012 Acts, ch 1118, §2; 2017 Acts, ch 115, §9, 12 Referred to in §350.10, 724.4A, 805.8B(6)(c)