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Dear Participant,

Thank you for your interest in the **Middle Fork State Fish & Wildlife Area Introductory Wingshooting Clinic**, to be held at Middle Fork State Fish & Wildlife Area on **Saturday, June 27, 2026**, and **Sunday, June 28, 2026**.

To register for the Wingshooting Clinic, please complete the attached Skill Level Assessment form. If the participant is under 18 years of age, a signed permission form from a parent or guardian is also required.

A **\$10.00** registration fee per participant is due at the time of registration. This fee helps cover clinic expenses, including shotgun shells, targets, and lunch. Please make checks payable to the **Illinois Conservation Foundation**.

A fact sheet containing important clinic information is attached and should be reviewed carefully. Completed forms should be submitted as early as possible but must be received no later than **Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>**. Your registration is not considered complete until the required forms and participant fee have been received.

Forms and payment may be submitted by mail to:

Terry Doyle  
3217 CR 2000 E  
Rantoul, IL 61866

Please plan to arrive at the Middle Fork State Fish & Wildlife Area by **9:30 a.m.** for check-in. The clinic will begin promptly at **10:00 a.m.** **If you are unable to attend, please notify us at least 72 hours in advance, as we typically have a waiting list and may be able to accommodate another participant.**

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at [tdoyle2@msn.com](mailto:tdoyle2@msn.com) or by phone at 815/258-8474.

Sincerely,

*Terry Doyle*

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I am the parent/guardian of: \_\_\_\_\_, and I give permission for my shooting student to participate in the wingshooting clinic at the **Middle Fork SF&WA** on:

**Please Check One:**             Saturday, June 27, 2026             Sunday, June 28, 2026

I understand part of the clinic will include shooting shotguns at clay targets, and I hereby specifically give permission for my shooting student to participate in this activity. Safety is very important to all of us. In the space provided below on this Parental Permission Form, please list (print) any chronic medical conditions your son or daughter currently has including behavioral disorders, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder, seizure disorder, diabetes or others. If your son or daughter has no chronic medical conditions, please list N/A. This information will be kept confidential by the instructor staff.

Having a medical condition such as those listed above does not necessarily disqualify an individual from participating provided that the medical condition is well controlled.

Medical Conditions:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Note: The Department of Natural Resources, the Safety Education Instructor, or the Wingshooting Instructor will remove any participant from the Wingshooting Clinic for disruptive or unsafe behavior.

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number(s) (Include Area Code):

Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Wingshooting Clinic  
Skill Level Assessment  
Middle Fork State Fish & Wildlife Area**

**Please Check One:**  Saturday, June 27, 2026       Sunday, June 28, 2026

Name (print legibly) \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
County \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone #'s \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Age \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_(ft) \_\_\_\_\_(in) Weight (youth) \_\_\_\_\_  
How did you find out about this clinic? \_\_\_\_\_

**I have shot at clay targets... (CHECK ONE)**

- Never (less than 1 box of shells)
- Rarely (less than 20 boxes of shells)
- Occasionally (more than 20 boxes of shells)
- Often (more than 100 boxes of shells)

**CHECK ONE of the following:**

- I will use an IDNR department owned shotgun (encouraged).
- I will bring my own shotgun.

**\*\*\* Please circle one of the following gauges ( 12 ga, 20 ga, 28 ga)**

Twenty-eight gauge shotguns with shotshells will be provided. Students may bring their own shotgun. If the shotgun has interchangeable chokes, bring the most open choke(s) available (cylinder, skeet or improved cylinder). **Note: Since shotshells will be provided, students bringing a shotgun must call 815/258-8474 by Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> to apprise us of the gauge.**

**\*\*\*The gauges listed above are the only gauges we can accommodate.**

**MIDDLE FORK STATE FISH & WILDLIFE AREA WINGSHOOTING CLINIC  
INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENTS**

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

- Youth participants must be at least 4 feet 6 inches tall and weigh 75 pounds or more to participate. **Introductory Wingshooting Clinics are designed for beginning and novice shotgun shooting students. Participants must legitimately be in either the "Never" or "Rarely" skill level to enroll in these clinics. Potential registrants with shooting skills beyond the novice level should consider registering for a Hunter's Wingshooting Clinic.**
- The Department of Natural Resources, the Safety Education Instructor, or the Wingshooting Instructor will remove any participant from the Wingshooting Clinic for disruptive or unsafe behavior.
- Wingshooting Clinics do not satisfy the Illinois Hunter Education Requirement.

**DATES AND TIMES:** Saturday, June 27 & Sunday, June 28, 2026, 10a - 4p \*\* Students may sign up for **EITHER** day

**LOCATION:** Middle Fork State Fish & Wildlife Area, near Collison, IL

**DIRECTIONS:** From I-74, take Exit 206. Travel 6 miles north to County Road 2400 N, turn right at the Middle Fork Wildlife Area sign. Proceed ¼ mile - the site headquarters is on the left. *From the north and west*, from Collison, go approximately 2 miles east to the T-intersection, turn right and travel ½ mile south to County Road 2400 N; turn left and proceed to the site headquarters.

**LUNCH:** Lunch will be provided at no cost for registered wingshooting students.

**APPAREL:** Wear upper garments that do not restrict either side-to-side shoulder movement or up and down arm movement. Upper garments should not have snaps, buckles, buttons, or strap adjustments on the front side of the shooting shoulder. Tank tops are discouraged. Bring a shooting or hunting vest **that fits reasonably well** if one is available. **A cap or hat is required.**

**FOOTWEAR:** This is a field activity. Wear comfortable but sturdy shoes or boots. No open-toed shoes or sandals.

**EYE & EAR PROTECTION:** Eye and ear protection are mandatory and will be provided. Students with their own shooting glasses and ear plugs or earmuffs are encouraged to bring them. Students who wear prescription glasses or contact lenses should wear them.

**SHOTGUNS:** Twenty-eight gauge shotguns with shotshells will be provided. Students with their own shotgun are encouraged to bring it. If the shotgun has interchangeable chokes, bring the most open choke(s) available (cylinder, skeet or improved cylinder). **Note: Since shotshells will be provided, students bringing a shotgun must call 815/258-8474 by Monday, June 22<sup>rd</sup> to apprise us of the gauge.**

**INSTRUCTORS:** Indoor classes will be instructed by an Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Volunteer Hunter Safety Instructor or a National Sporting Clays Association (NSCA) and IDNR Certified Wingshooting Instructor. Wingshooting instruction in the field will be given by NSCA and IDNR Certified Wingshooting Instructors.

**SPONSORS:** This Wingshooting Clinic is sponsored by the IL Dept. of Natural Resources, IL Conservation Foundation; Pheasants Forever - Champaign County; Pheasants Forever – Vermilion County; GunsSaveLife; Gordon Farms Seed Company; and Freedom Firearms - Rantoul. These organizations are demonstrating their strong commitment to the shooting sports and firearm safety, to family oriented outdoor recreation and to effective public agency/private sector partnerships. The IDNR has been involved in training sportsmen and women through its Safety Education Section by sponsoring wingshooting clinics and through youth hunting programs for many years.