

Public Policies and Procedures for Campground Operations

- Properties shall rent to first-come, first-serve campers (also known as walk up or local sale rentals, hereafter, referred to as local sales) if sites are available.
- Each group shall register at the control station, property office, with a department representative, or through self-registration (where provided) for each night's camping. The nightly camping fee, to be paid in advance, shall entitle the group to occupy one campsite for one overnight period for each night they have paid the fee.
- An individual may register as many campsites as desired but must present, at registration, the names and addresses of individuals who will occupy each site. Renting only one night will not guarantee availability beyond the first night due to the central reservation system. Please remember, internet reservations may be made 24/7 and sites may be reserved the same day of arrival until 12 noon.
- · Campers registering by local sales may request a specific site if that site is available.
- One camping group shall be permitted to occupy one campsite in a campground. A camping group consists of as many as six persons, not
 necessarily related. One main camping unit per campsite with one additional tent and one dining fly are permitted per site and subject to the
 property manager's discretion. Horse campgrounds permit additional trailers for horse transport and some of these units provide family living
 space. In this situation, the horse trailer may serve as either the main or the secondary camping unit.
- Campsites reservations are available on line at www.camp.in.gov or by calling 866-622-6746. Local sales may be processed in person at the
 property; however, reservations may only be made on line or through the call center at the internet address and/or telephone number listed above.
- An individual 18 years old is required to register personally for the group or family with the department's representative at the site. Campers under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult (18 years of age or older) or obtain permission from the department's representative on the site in advance of the stay. The responsible party registering or reserving a campsite shall remain with the group on the site.
- It is unlawful to locate any camp, tent, trailer, or vehicle at any place except as especially provided, designated or assigned. It is also unlawful to sleep in or occupy between the hours of 11 p.m. to 7 a.m., any camper, tent trailer, or vehicle except where designated by the department or as authorized by a written permit.
- Individuals permitted to enter a property to camp after designated quiet hours and prior to 7:00 a.m. will be charged the normal camping fee for the previous night and may be directed to a temporary parking area. Those entering the property after 7:00 a.m. will be registered with the new day' business.
- Horse Campground only: Horses will be allowed in the horseman's campground only. Campers accompanying horse campers and intending to
 participate in equestrian activities will be permitted to register for a campsite in the horseman's campground. These campers must purchase at
 least one horse trail access tag per campsite per night and follow all other established campground rules and regulations. Persons with Llama,
 mules, and donkeys are restricted to horse campgrounds.
- Campground occupancy is limited to a period not to exceed fourteen (14) consecutive nights. At the end of any camping period the camping group
 must completely vacate the property with all equipment, for a minimum of 48 hours. Failure to comply will result in impoundment and disposal of
 equipment in accordance with department regulations.
- · Leasing or subleasing campsites or equipment on a site is prohibited.
- The washing of dishes or pets at drinking fountains, lavatories or laundry tubs is prohibited. Dishwater must be disposed of through proper sanitary facilities; it must not be discharged on or into the ground. The washing of automobiles or boats in the camping area is prohibited.
- · It shall be unlawful to possess fireworks.
- Quiet hours shall be observed from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.
- Dogs, cats or other pets must be caged or kept on a leash no longer than (6) six feet and must be attended at all times. Pet waste must be properly disposed.
- All refuse and garbage is to be placed in receptacles provided for that purpose. If refuse is left at campsite, the occupant may be billed for cleaning and disposal fees. Pet waste is considered refuse.
- All firearms, BB guns, air guns, bow and arrows, CO2 guns, or spear guns must be unloaded or unstrung and stored in a case or locked in a vehicle when using campgrounds at J. Edward Roush Lake, Mississinewa Lake, Salamonie Lake, Monroe Lake, Patoka Lake, Brookville Lake, Cecil M. Harden Lake(Raccoon SRA), and Cagles Mill Lake (Lieber SRA).
- In controlled campgrounds, only one mode of motorized transportation shall be allowed per campsite. Two large motorcycles are allowed per campsite. Except, one per person of the following may be kept on the site: licensed mini bike, moped or other small licensed motorcycle under 100cc.
- On some DNR properties two modes of transportation shall be allowed per campsite due to campground design or other factors.
- Property roads on DNR properties are considered state roads and all state motor vehicles laws are applicable. There are restrictions on the use of vehicles and motorized carts. See property manager.
- · Check in and out time is 2 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 5 p.m. on Sunday and holidays. Check out times strictly enforced.
- It shall be unlawful to build a fire except in designated public use areas, provided by the Department of Natural Resources for that purpose. Fires
 shall be entirely extinguished immediately after use. Lighted matches, cigarettes, cigars, or other articles afire shall be thoroughly extinguished
 before being discarded. The Department or its authorized representative may prohibit all fires in any area when deemed necessary for the
 protection of the property.
- The camping hangtag or campground receipt must be retained by the camper as a pass through the main gate and campground gate. Only those vehicles with valid receipts are permitted to enter the campground. All visitors to a campsite must park in a designated area outside the campground, however, a twenty minute entrance pass may be issued to permit loading and unloading.
- · Valid campground hangtag or campground receipt will be honored at all DNR properties for waiver of entrance fees.
- Properties shall issue additional entrance passes for extra vehicles belonging to registered campers. This additional entrance pass will permit entry into the property without additional charges for the duration of the visit. An additional entrance pass may only be issued for a vehicle after an entrance fee has been collected on that vehicle.
- Property managers will use proper discretion in allowing the mobility impaired to drive into the campground. Managers should also allow park visitors controlled access to the campground during slow periods for the purpose of marketing the campsites for future rental.
- On state park properties the collection of firewood is prohibited.
- It shall be unlawful to injure, cut, destroy, remove, mutilate, or deface any building structure, sign, rock, tree, shrub, vine or property whatsoever, or pick any flower or take or rifle the nest of any bird or den, nest or abode of any wildlife animal or to rock climb or rappel on land subject to the regulations in 312-IAC 8-2-10.