

# A Guide to Help You Enjoy Your Stay

This brochure outlines the basic policies and regulations we enforce to make the park experience more enjoyable for everyone. To see a complete copy of the “Rules and Regulations for Visitor Conduct,” visit [https://www.vtstateparks.com/assets/pdf/rules\\_current.pdf](https://www.vtstateparks.com/assets/pdf/rules_current.pdf) or if you have questions, ask park staff for assistance.

## Campsites

Camping is limited to designated campsites to protect vegetation in grassy areas and under trees. Park staff cleans each site prior to use. Please keep your site clean. Dispose of trash properly and use recycling facilities available. You are permitted up to 6 to 8 people per site, depending on the park and site. You may stay for as many as 21 consecutive days at most parks. The head of each camping party must be at least 18 years of age and accepts responsibility for the actions of the entire group.

## Reservations and Occupancy

Check-in time is 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM (though office hours vary by park and with time of year). Refund restrictions apply to late cancellations and to cancellations on minimum-night reservations; refer to refund and cancellation policies for specifics. Check with park staff. Check out is by 11:00 AM on the day of departure.



## Quiet Hours

Respect your neighbors and the peace of the outdoors. Quiet hours are from 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM. Maintain reasonable quiet at all times. Park management enforces reasonable quiet at all times. Report problems to park management at any time.

## Dogs in the Park

If you bring dogs with you, familiarize yourself with park policies and regulations. Dogs are not allowed on most beaches, or in many day use areas. For the protection of park visitors, staff and other animals, dogs must have current rabies vaccinations. Dogs must at all times be safely confined or on leashes no longer than 10 feet. Owners are responsible for cleaning up animal waste, preventing damage to park properties and campsites, and controlling dog behaviors at all times.

## Fires and Firewood

Firewood is available for purchase in all developed campgrounds. You may gather wood as long as it is dead and down. Standing dead trees, live trees and tree branches may not be cut. Chainsaw use is not permitted. Confine camp and cooking fires to the supplied fireplace or grill in the location provided, and make sure fires are always attended. Firewood may not be brought into any park unless certified and labeled as heat treated; please see our website for the full policy.

## Vehicles

To minimize the impact of vehicular crowding on campsites and narrow roadways, you are limited to two vehicles per campsite. If you need space for additional vehicles and/or visitor parking, check with the park staff.

## Keep the Wild in Wildlife

Many species of Vermont’s wildlife consider our parks home. This offers campers and day users opportunities to observe birds and animals in their habitats. Please don’t make wild animals dependent on humans by feeding



them or forgetting to keep your garbage out of their reach. Protect wildlife and your own safety by keeping your distance from all wild creatures. Bears, racoons and skunks can be problematic at some parks - be sure to dispose of trash quickly and secure all food safely away from animals. Don’t allow pets to chase or frighten animals, and don’t leave pet food out. If you observe unusual behavior in wildlife, report it to park staff immediately.

## Respect for Trees

We value our trees in their natural state. They are an important and valuable part of the park landscape. Please help us keep trees healthy by refraining from damaging activities such as peeling bark, driving nails into them, hanging lanterns on them or bumping them with vehicles.

## Speed Limit

Park roads are narrow and busy. Be alert and yield to bicycles, pedestrians, children and wildlife. The speed limit on all park roadways, unless otherwise posted, is 15 mph. Some park roads, particularly campground roads, demand safe speeds lower than 15 mph. Use common sense and reasonable caution.

## Signs

Contact the Park Manager for permission to post signs or flyers.

## Alcoholic Beverages

If you consume alcoholic beverages in parks, we ask that you do so responsibly. Glass containers are not allowed on beaches or in swimming areas. Alcoholic beverages in containers larger than 1 gallon are not permitted in parks unless served by a licensed caterer.

## Visitors

Guests are allowed at your campsite. Please advise park staff at the entrance station if you are expecting visitors. Day visitors must check in upon arrival and pay the park entrance fee. Visitor hours are from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM. Visitors may be required to park in designated areas.

## Fireworks and Weapons

No firecrackers or other explosive devices, firearms, air rifles, pistols, gas weapons, slingshots, crossbows, or bow and arrows except by special permit shall be discharged in any state park or developed state recreation area during the park operating season. No firearm may be discharged within 500 feet of any building or structure in any park or recreation area at any time.

## Wash Water

Wash your dishes only at your campsite and disperse the water, or at a dishwashing station where available. Properly dispose of any food scraps. Dishwashing is not permitted in restrooms or at water spigots. Discharging any water, including gray water, from recreational vehicles is only allowed at RV sanitary stations. Ask the park staff to direct you to the nearest one.

## Generators

Generators, although convenient, can be intrusive to other campers. As a result, generator use is set to 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Generators must be reasonably quiet; noisy generators will not be allowed.

## Experience

### Vermont State Parks

Many opportunities await as you explore the diverse offerings of our state park system. Whether you enjoy strenuous hikes, organized nature programs, deep woods camping, sharing a cabin with friends and family, or just lying on a beach, there's a Vermont State Park in which you can make the most of your recreation time.

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## Highlights of rules & regulations to help guide your visit

