



Bringing People and Nature Together

Forest Preserve District

OF WILL COUNTY

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2019 Camping Permit Rules and Waiver

1. The permit holder is subject to all rules and regulations contained in the Forest Preserve District of Will County's General Use Ordinance No. 124, the Illinois Criminal Code, the Illinois Vehicle Code, and the Illinois Game and Fish Codes.
2. Falsification of information and/or violation of rules, regulations, or District ordinances will result in the denial and/or revocation of the permit, forfeiture of the fees, fines, and/or the cancellation/termination of the permitted event.
3. Permit holder must be 18 years of age or older and must be present during the reservation.
4. The permit is valid only for the date, time and name listed on the permit.
5. Changes to the date or location of this permit must be done no later than 2 business days prior to the reservation.
6. Refunds will not be given for canceled reservations. The District is not responsible for permitted events canceled due to inclement weather.
7. The District reserves the right to close and/or limit access within the preserves during regular hours when safety and/or weather conditions warrant such actions.
8. The District assumes no liability for injuries that occur as a result of the permitted activity.
9. All campers must arrive at the preserve prior to regular preserve closing hours. After closing hours, campers must remain at their campsite. There should be no entering or exiting of the preserve after closing hours unless there is an emergency. Gates to the preserve will be closed at preserve close hours, but will remain unlocked for emergency exit. Preserve closing times vary by season and are listed below.

Nov - Feb	Mar - Apr	May - Aug	Sept - Oct
4pm	6pm	8pm	6pm

10. Campers must depart from their campsite by 12:00pm on the last day of their reservation.
11. No driving or parking on the grass, sidewalks or trails. Vehicles are only permitted to be in designated parking areas and on roadways.
12. Start fires only in designated fire rings or grills. Building fires on the grass is prohibited. Fires must be extinguished before the reservation end time. Dispose of hot coals in fire pits and grills only.

13. Gathering firewood is prohibited. To help reduce the risk of spreading Emerald Ash Borer, please obtain firewood within a 50-mile radius of the preserve. Do not transport firewood across state lines in accordance with mandates from the Illinois Department of Agriculture.
14. Cutting trees, limbs, or shrubs is prohibited.
15. Fireworks and other pyrotechnics are strictly prohibited.
16. Use of devices capable of discharging a projectile is prohibited.
17. Glitter, rice, silly string, birdseed and water balloons are prohibited.
18. The sale and/or solicitation of any product or service is prohibited.
19. Do not mark on or affix anything (tents, signs, banners, balloons, piñatas, etc.) to trees, District signs, shelters, structures, or buildings. Strapping, pinning, gluing, or stapling to any shelter post, table, or other District structure is prohibited.
20. Decorative or repellent candles must be in heat-proof containers with stable bases.
21. All trash must be cleaned up and placed in designated receptacles upon departure.
22. Music must not be audible beyond the immediate vicinity nor should it disturb other visitors or permitted groups.
23. Pets must be leashed. Leashes in excess of 10 feet are not allowed. Owners must clean up after pets.
24. Call 911 in an emergency.
25. In a non-emergency, call the Will County Sheriff's dispatch at 815.727.6191 to reach a Forest Preserve officer.

I agree to the Rules and Regulations as stated above and will abide by the Forest Preserve District of Will County General Regulation Use Ordinance #124.

I agree not to hold the Forest Preserve District of Will County liable for any loss or damage to persons or property arising from my use of the facilities or engaging in the activity for which this permit is granted.

I agree to defend and hold harmless the Forest Preserve District of Will County from any and all claims or actions brought by myself, my heirs, my guests, contractors or invitees, brought as a result of the exercise of the rights granted under this permit.

I read and understand the rules of the Forest Preserve for the public lands and their usage. I attest that the information I have provided is factual, accurate and honestly represents the nature of my event and intent. Failure to abide by any of the above rules leaves the permit holder liable and susceptible to receiving a ticket and/or suspension from District property by Forest Preserve District of Will County Police.