

Welcome to Windward's Stewardship Forest and Campground!

Guidelines and Safety Tips for a Safe Camping Adventure

FIRES

This is a high-risk fire area. The county-wide fire ban extends from July 1st to October 1st. During the fire ban UL (underwriters laboratory) approved camping stoves and gas lanterns are allowed. That means no fires in any fire pits. If you are unsure of whether your stove or cooking device is UL approved, please let us know and we will check it out.

Keep fires in established fire rings. Keep fires small and use the firewood provided for by the event staff, and “deadfall” sticks from the ground that can be broken by hand. Burn all wood and coals to ash, and put out campfires completely with water or dirt..

Please keep smoking to road surfaces, or around fire pits. Make sure embers are put out fully before walking away.

CAMPING

The ecology our forest is fragile and can easily be damaged by car traffic and camping. To minimize human impacts and maintain a healthy forest so that others can continue to enjoy it in the future, please:

- Camp in designated sites. These areas are generally in the immediate vicinity of fire pits
- Keep campsites small and try to focus activities where vegetation is absent.
- Try and travel on preexisting foot paths.
- Be considerate of others and protect the quality of their experience.

AUTOMOBILES

In order to minimize soil compaction, erosion and keep the forest healthy, drive only on established road surfaces. Unloading areas are providing on the interior of the campground. Please move your cars when you are finished unloading.

PETS

Control pets at all times, or leave them at home. We are surrounded by private property, whose owners have dogs. If you know your pet will wander far from you, then please keep them on a leash.

RESPECTING THE FOREST

- To minimize compaction, erosion, and harm to plants, please keep vehicles on establish roads, and park in the designated areas.
- Protect wildlife and your food by storing food and trash securely, and by not intentionally feeding wild animals.
- Please leave what you find.
- Let nature's sounds prevail. Avoid loud voices and noises.
- Yellow Jacket Stings: if stung by a bee or hornet, leave area immediately and then report location so that nest can be exterminated.
- No hunting.

RESTROOMS

- 5 toilet or “biff” buildings are available for campers. Each biff has four stalls with vault toilets.
- In some cases we will close off a few of the stalls in each biff so as to minimize the amount of pumping needed. Please do not try and force closed stalls open!

We hope you have a wonderful time in the campground!

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