

Camping Policies & Procedures

June, 2023

Thank you for choosing to stay at our beautiful Wood County campgrounds! This list of policies is not a complete set of the Park Ordinances; however, it supplies the essential information. If you have questions, contact the Park Ranger, Host or main office. Violation of policy may subject the violator to revocation of camping permit or if prosecuted, and convicted, payment of fines up to \$500 per violation.

Parks & Forestry Ordinances:

<https://www.woodcountymi.gov/Departments/Clerk/Ordinances/600-Wood%20County%20Parks.pdf>

Camping Reservations:

<https://parksreservations.woodcountymi.gov>

1. **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!**

Campsites must be reserved prior to setting up camping units. Reservations CAN BE MADE ONLINE with a credit card, 24/7/365 via any electronic device, including the Campground I-pad if the Ranger or Host are available. Cash/Check payment is only accepted at the Parks & Forestry Main Office at 111 W. Jackson St., WI Rapids, 8am-4pm, M-F. **YOU CANNOT pay with cash or check at the campground.**

2. Reservations can be made as early as 12 months in advance, and as late as the same day of arrival.
3. **Length of Stay:** Reservations are a minimum of 1 night (except for Holidays = 3 nights, Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day); and for a maximum of 14 nights.
4. **South Park - State Water Ski Show**
Premium rates will be applied for the 7-day block from Monday before to Monday after the ski show. *This does not mean you have to reserve the entire week.*
5. **Check-in:** 2 pm / **Checkout:** 12 noon
6. **Quiet time:** 11 pm / **Visiting Hours:** 8 am-10 pm.
7. **Vehicles:** Maximum of 2 vehicles per site. All other vehicles must use designated visitor parking lots. Unlicensed motorized vehicles are not allowed in the parks, unless approved by permit. ATVs are allowed in certain parks on designated routes.
8. **Firewood Restrictions:** No outside firewood is allowed in Wood County Parks. Firewood is available for purchase at each campground. Campers may bring in clean, untreated, dimensional wood (e.g. 4x4 cutoffs) to burn.

9. **Minimum Age/Responsible Party**

The person named on the reservation **must be at least 18 years of age** and is the person that will be held responsible if any violations occur.

10. **Reservation Edits/Cancellations**

Reservation edits must be made at least 48 hours in advance of your 2pm check-in time. You may edit the dates, campground or site. If you're in the middle of a reservation and want to extend your stay, you can call the office during regular business hours, or contact the Ranger if available to assist you with this process. If unavailable, you will need to make a separate reservation for the additional day(s) and pay the \$10 reservation fee. Cancellations made at least 48 hours prior to check-in time will result in a refund. The \$10 reservation fee is non-refundable.

11. **Refunds are in the form of credit codes placed in your account for future use. Codes do not expire. You may use ONE CREDIT CODE per credit card transaction. If you have multiple codes in your account, you must initiate separate transactions. Credit Card refunds are not allowed.**

12. **Lost, damaged or stolen items**

Please see the Ranger or Host, or contact the main office.

13. **Pets (Ordinance 600.08)**

It is unlawful to allow pets into a public building, bathing beach, picnic grounds, or playgrounds, or to run at large. In other park areas and campgrounds, pets are permitted provided they shall at **all times be kept on a leash not more than 10 feet long**. All pets shall be effectively restrained or under the owner's control at all times. No person shall allow his pet to deprive or disrupt the enjoyment or use of any area by others. Pet owners are required to immediately clean up after their pets.

14. **Campsites for Individuals w/Disabilities**

- Each campground has at least one campsite designated for this specific purpose. If you do not have a disability **you MAY NOT reserve the campsite.**

15. **Campsite Occupancy**

- ✚ Maximum length of stay for a reservation in a designated campground, with the same unit and/or party, is 14 consecutive days. After 14 consecutive days, camping units must leave the campground for **2 days** prior to returning.
- ✚ Only one camping unit will be permitted on each campsite unless there are children under 18. Then, a small tent can be put on the same site for the children.

16. **Camper Storage**

- ✚ Before camper storage is allowed, the individual **must contact the Parks & Forestry office during normal business hours** (M-F, 8am-4pm) at 715-421-8422. Payment will be taken by credit card over the phone or in person with cash/check/card in main office.
- ✚ OFF-SITE - \$15/week (**No partials**)
- ✚ ON-SITE - \$300/month. **Camping unit may remain On-site entire time.**
- ✚ This storage rate is for weekend occupancy only (4 weekends - totaling 8 nights).
- ✚ Additional occupancy must pay normal nightly fee by contacting the Parks and Forestry office. *During unoccupied days, the owner is expected to shut down all electronic devices (unplugging the electrical cord is recommended). **Electrical use is not included in the storage rate! Wood County reserves the right to disconnect electricity if policy is not adhered to.***

SEE FULL CAMPER STORAGE POLICY ONLINE

PARK	DATES ALLOWED	LOCATION ALLOWED
South	Not Allowed	
North	May 1 – Oct 31	Off-Site Only – Visitor Parking Lot
Dexter	May 1 – Oct 31	Off-Site – Camper Storage Lot
	Nov 1 – End of gun deer season	On-Site – Any site in Loop(s) #2 and #3 except sites #87 & #90 or off-site.

Group Sites @ Dexter & North Park

Dexter / Group Site 1 (GS1)

- ✚ Maximum of 8 total camping units.
- ✚ Four picnic tables and 1 large fire ring.
- ✚ Two (2) pedestals, each with (2) 20-amp, (2) 30-amp outlets = eight (8) outlets.

Dexter Group Site 2 (GS2)

- ✚ Maximum of 6 total camping units.
- ✚ Three picnic tables and 1 large fire ring.
- ✚ Two (2) pedestals, one with (2) 20-amp & (2) 30-amp outlets; and one with (4) 30-amp & (2) 20-amp = ten (10) outlets.

Dexter Group Site 3 (GS3)

- ✚ Maximum of 8 total camping units.
- ✚ Four picnic tables and 1 large fire ring.
- ✚ Two (2) pedestals, each with (2) 20-amp & (2) 30-amp outlets = eight (8) outlets.

North Park Campground has one group site.

- ✚ Maximum of 6 total camping units.
- ✚ Three picnic tables and 1 large fire ring.
- ✚ Two (2) pedestals, each with (2) 20-amp, (1) 30-amp, and (1) 50 amp outlets = eight (8) outlets

17. **Dexter ATV Camping Area**

- ✚ Machines must stay on designated roadways, campsites & parking lots
- ✚ All other policies related to camping must be followed.
- ✚ Firewood and ice is available for purchase in the main campground.
- ✚ Potable water and dump station located in main campground

This is not an all-inclusive list of park/campground rules. All other park rules/regulations must be followed.

NEW in 2023!

You may purchase your firewood, ice & dump station passes with a credit card by scanning a QR code. See the information board for instructions.