

SUPPLEMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF CAMPING FACILITIES WITHIN TURKEY SWAMP PARK, AS ADOPTED BY THE MONMOUTH COUNTY BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2010, BY RESOLUTION #R-10-9-20=299.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Monmouth County Board of Recreation Commissioners that the following rules and regulations are hereby adopted for the regulation and operation of camping facilities within Turkey Swamp Park. The camping facilities within Turkey Swamp Park are managed by the employees of the Monmouth County Park System (hereafter referred to as the Park System). These rules and regulations are supplemental to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Use of County Park and Recreation Areas adopted by the Monmouth County Board of Recreation Commissioners by Resolution No. R-04-7-6=210 as the same may be from time to time amended, and which are incorporated herein by reference and which, together with these rules and regulations, are collectively hereinafter referred to as "the Rules and Regulations."

Permits

1. A permit shall be required for use of any overnight facility – family campsite, cabin, group campsite.
2. The permittee, 21 years of age or older, shall occupy the overnight facility during the entire period of use or shall designate a responsible person, 21 years of age or older, to be responsible of the facility during the permittee's absence.
3. Conditions and welfare on the sites and cabins shall be the responsibility of the permittee.
4. Permits shall be in the permittee's possession and available upon request.
5. In order to insure compliance with safety and sanitation standards, the park ranger on duty may limit the number of persons and equipment occupying an overnight facility. Unusual and special cases shall be interpreted by park officials according to the operating procedures of the Park System. For the purpose of permits and fees, a "camp shelter" shall mean any piece of equipment used to sleep in, on, or under, including but not limited to a sleeping bag, jungle hammock, tarp, motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, tent, or trailer.
6. Campers using a family campsite, cabin, or group campsite shall report to the Turkey Swamp Park Office and check in prior to reporting to their respective campsite, cabin, or group site.

7. All family campsites and cabins, whether occupied initially by reservation or on a first-come first-served basis, shall be limited to an initial stay of 18 consecutive days, encompassing not more than two weekends. "Weekend" for this purpose shall mean a Friday night, Saturday, and/or Sunday. Additional requested time shall not be granted at the end of this period until the applicant has vacated the campground for a period of seven days. At the end of this seven-day period, additional requested stays may be granted in intervals of not more than seven days, with seven-day out periods following each stay. A maximum of 40 days of camping shall be permitted per calendar year.

General

8. No person shall possess or consume alcoholic beverages, drugs, or narcotics in the camping facilities or in the park. Nor shall any person be under the influence of intoxicating beverages, drugs, or narcotics in the camping facilities or in the park.
9. Camping shall be permitted only in established campgrounds and designated campsites.
10. Quiet hours shall be in effect from 10:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. There shall be no loud music, noise, etc. at any time. All visitors shall leave at the posted park closing time.
11. Family campsite visitors and cabin visitors shall park in the parking lots designated for daily park users.
12. No person shall remove or cut firewood, regardless of whether the tree is dead, fallen, diseased, or otherwise, in the camping facilities or in the park.
13. All fires shall be confined to fire rings or approved stoves, and shall not be left unattended. Wood fires shall be allowed beginning at 7:00 a.m., and shall be extinguished by 11:00 p.m. Charcoal may be used at other times.
14. Damage to campsites, cabins, platform tents, structures, and all associated campsite and cabin equipment and utilities shall be the responsibility of the permittee.
15. All knives, axes, hatchets, saws and other cutting instruments shall remain in the possession of individuals 21 years of age or older. Individuals 21 years of age or older shall supervise the use of the above tools at all times.
16. All trash and recyclables shall be placed in the proper provided containers.

Family Camping

17. No more than two (2) motor vehicles shall be permitted at a family campsite. All axled vehicles, including campers, shall remain on the gravel loops.

18. No more than six (6) people shall occupy a campsite, using no more than three (3) camp shelters.
19. Tent ditching or trenching shall not be permitted.
20. No camp shelter shall be left in the campground or stored in another part of the park for occupancy at another time. The permit for any camp site that remains continuously vacant for more than 48 hours shall be revoked.
21. Pets shall be kept on a leash, under control at all times, and shall not be left unattended. Pets shall have current vaccinations. Dogs shall wear collars displaying a current dog license. Animal waste shall be picked up and disposed of in trash receptacles. Any nuisance, unsanitary conditions, damage, or injury caused by pets shall be the sole responsibility of the permittee. Pets creating excessive noise shall be removed from the park.
22. Dumping of raw sewage and waste water shall not be permitted at campsites.
23. The sanitary disposal station is available for raw sewage and gray water. Plastic bags, disposable gloves, disposable diapers, and other foreign matter or liquid shall not be disposed of in this station. Raw sewage other than animal waste, no matter how well wrapped, shall not be disposed of in trash receptacles. All other trash shall be placed in the refuse containers provided.

Cabins

24. Cabin keys shall be returned to the campground office prior to check out time at 12:00 noon.
25. No more than six (6) people shall be permitted in a cabin.
26. No more than two (2) motor vehicles shall be permitted at a cabin site.
27. Tents or trailers shall not be permitted at cabin sites.
28. Cooking shall not be permitted inside cabins or within 10 feet of the cabin structure.
29. Cabin furniture shall remain in the original position, and shall not be removed from the cabins.
30. Personal air conditioners or heaters shall not be permitted in cabins.
31. Open flames shall not be permitted inside the cabins.
32. Tacks, push pins, tape, staples, or adhesive material of any kind shall not be permitted on the walls, ceilings, floors, furniture, or any other part of the cabins.

33. Flaming or electrical decorations shall not be permitted in, on, or within 10 feet of the cabins.
34. Pets shall not be permitted in cabins.

Group Camping

35. One or more supervisors, 21 years of age or older, shall be assigned to every 10 juveniles. A supervisor, 21 years of age or older, shall be in charge and remain with the group at all times while using park facilities and shall be present at each group camping site.
36. Group campers using a group campsite shall not be permitted to use facilities in the family camping area.
37. No more than four (4) motor vehicles shall be permitted at a group campsite. Additional vehicles shall park in the provided parking lots. Recreational vehicles, travel trailers, utility trailers and generators shall not be permitted at a campsite.
38. Groups shall remain at their designated campsite from 9:00 p.m. until 8:00 a.m., unless given prior permission by the park ranger to be elsewhere in the park.
39. Pets shall not be permitted in the group camping sites.

PARK SYSTEM EMPLOYEES are vested with rule and regulation enforcement authority and empowered to make arrests for violations of County Park Rules and Regulations. Rules applying to special conditions or situations within an individual County Park Recreation Area may be supplemental to the above. When special rules apply they will be posted in affected areas. These rules and regulations are promulgated in accordance with provisions of New Jersey revised statutes Title #40, Chapter 12 – 6 which reads as follows:

“The Board of Recreation Commissions shall have full control over all lands, playgrounds and recreation places acquired or leased under the provisions of Section 40:12-1 to 40:12-9 of this Title and may adopt suitable Rules, Regulations, and By-Laws of the use thereof, and the conduct of all persons while in or using the same, and any person who shall violate any such rules, regulations, or by-laws shall be deemed and adjudged to be a disorderly person.”