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Park Directive No. 2210

HORSECAMP USE-POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

1. The Horsecamp will be administered in accordance with the general policies and procedures outlined in Park Directives #2005 and #2150, and in compliance with the camping rules and regulations established in Park Directive #3015, except as stated otherwise herein. The control and use of riding animals shall be in compliance with Park Directive #3080, and as stated below. The use of the Horsecamp shall not be restricted to equestrian campers only. The fees and charges published annually in Park Directive #2000.1 shall apply equally to all users.

2. All riding animals, when not being ridden, and all horse trailers, shall be kept in an area at the Horsecamp designated by the park superintendent for this purpose. Riding animals will be kept sufficiently under control by the owners to prevent damage to property and escape into other areas of the park. Horses will at no time be tied to trees nor allowed to roam free.

3. Overnight visitors bringing riding animals into the park will be required to remove animal litter from the Horsecamp area, park roads and trails at sufficient intervals to prevent unsightly and odorous accumulation. They shall also be required to use approved materials, chemicals, insecticides in feeding and holding areas to reduce and to control flying insects and vermin. All materials, chemicals and insecticides should be approved by the park superintendent before application including the type, brand name, quantity used, and how applied.

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4. Owners of sick animals will be required to remove them from the park.

5. GROUP USE - Organized riding groups shall be subject to the same privileges and limitations as other visitors using the Horsecamp, with the following exceptions:

a. Such groups may reserve a specified number of Horsecamp campsites by contacting the park at least one month and not more than six months in advance; except that requests of less than one month in advance may be confirmed at the discretion of the park superintendent. Any camper arriving before the set date of the group will be responsible for registering and paying for his own site as an individual camper.

b. Groups which exceed the capacities of the Horsecamp will not be booked; except with the specific commitment from the group in writing that any overflow members will be required to register and pay for their own campsites in other camping areas on a non-reserved first-come basis as any other camper, and that any members staying in cabins will make their own arrangements and pay for same; and that all riding animals and horse trailers of these overflow members will be kept in the designated site in the Horsecamp area, at no charge by the group.

c. At the time the reservation is made by the group, the person making the reservation will be asked if the individual parties camping in the Horsecamp are to register and pay for their own site upon arrival at the park, or if the group leader plans to pay the lump sum amount for all camping units reserved. If paying in lump sum, the group leader will be advised that payment must be by check at time of occupancy. The leader will be requested to furnish the park office upon arrival (or at earliest possible time thereafter) the following:

(1) The total number of sites being occupied by the group and the site numbers.

(2) The total number of camping RV's (Motor Homes, camping trailers, and pickup campers), and the total number of tents in the group (for statistical purposes and campsite capacity determination).

(3) The total number of persons in the combined areas (for camping attendance).

d. Upon receipt of the above, the park office will prepare one camping permit listing the group name and address, enter the above information on the permit and the "Campsite Use Log," compute the total amount owed and ask the group leader for a check in the amount, made payable to that particular park. All sites occupied will be listed as occupied on the "Campsite Register" per P.D. #2005.

e. A uniformed employee will then take a 3X5 pad or blank 3X5 cards, etc., and place one on the numbered post of each site occupied, listing thereon the site number, permit number, and departure date in large numbers per Item 2, P.D. #2005, making sure the capacity of the sites are not exceeded.

f. Under no circumstances will groups be permitted to set up concession stands in connection with the group activities.

6. This Park Directive supercedes any and all previous policies, procedures and memoranda relating specifically (or implied) to the use of the Horsecamp at Devil's Den State Park, except as specifically stated otherwise herein.

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