Hickory Run State Park

This large tent and trailer camping area in the western Poconos is mostly forested with a grassy, more open section. It has modern campsites (electric, non-electric, full-hookup, pet-friendly, and walk-to) with a sanitary dump station, playgrounds, and modern restrooms with warm showers. A camp store sells general camping supplies.

CAMPING SEASON: This campground opens in mid-April and closes in mid-December. Shower facilities and the dump station are not available after mid-October.

RESERVATIONS: Most campsites in Pennsylvania state parks can be reserved 11 months in advance to noon of the day of arrival. Campers without a reservation arriving after noon should check at the park office or near the campground entrance for instructions.

Reservations can be made using MasterCard, VISA, American Express, and Discover credit cards; personal, traveler's, and cashier's checks; or a Pennsylvania State Parks Gift Card. To receive a confirmed reservation, full payment must be received within ten days of making the reservation.

For reservations, call the Pennsylvania State Parks Reservation Center at 888-PA-PARKS (888-727-2757), Monday to Saturday,7:00 AM to 5:00 PM or visit http://pennsylvaniastateparks.reserveamerica.com.

CAMPSITE ISSUING: Advance reservations are available for almost all campsites. Unreserved sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. If an employee is not available, read posted instructions and check the site availability listing.

The appropriate fee must be paid to a park employee or deposited in a supplied honor system envelope before setting up on a campsite.

CHANGES AND CANCELLATIONS: Cancellations, changes, or transfers to reservations will be assessed a fee and can be made prior to arrival by the Pennsylvania State Parks Reservation Center.

Any cancellation, change, or transfer made upon arrival must be processed through the state park. For complete information on fees, cancellations, changes, transfers, and discount policies, view the Reservation Cancellation/Change Policy at the website above.

b Access for People with Disabilities

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Campground Rules

CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT TIME: Check-in time is 3:00 PM. Campsites must be vacated by 3:00 PM. Cottages must be vacated by 10:00 AM.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: Alcoholic beverages are prohibited in all Pennsylvania state parks.

PETS: Pets are permitted at designated campsites in this campground. Please contact the park office for pet guidelines.

Pets are prohibited in swimming areas, buildings, and all overnight facilities not participating in the pet program. Guide dogs and service dogs are not considered pets.

QUIET HOURS: Campers must not disturb the sleep of others between 9:00 PM and 8:00 AM.

NOISE: Operation of electric generators that create excessive noise is prohibited.

OCCUPANCY: Site occupancy is limited to one family unit (persons living under one household) or five unrelated people per site. Occupants must include at least one person 18 years of age or older at all times.

MOTOR VEHICLES: Park only in designated areas. Only one vehicle is permitted at a campsite in addition to a camping unit. If permitted, additional vehicles can park on the camping spur for a fee or in the second car parking area at no charge.

VISITORS: Visitors are welcome on campsites from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM.

MINIMUM/MAXIMUM CAMPING PERIOD: Campers may stay in a state park campground up to 14 consecutive nights from Memorial Day to Labor Day. If reserving a Saturday during the summer season, a two-night minimum stay is required. Campers may camp up to 21 consecutive nights during the remainder of the year.

HUNTING: Use extreme caution with firearms at all times. Other visitors use the park during hunting seasons. Firearms and archery equipment used for hunting may be uncased and ready for use only in authorized hunting areas during hunting seasons. In areas not open to hunting or during non-hunting seasons, firearms and archery equipment shall be kept in the owner's vehicle or enclosed trailer. Exceptions include: law enforcement officers and individuals with a valid *Pennsylvania License to Carry Firearms* are authorized to carry a firearm concealed on their person while they are within a state park.

Protect and Preserve Our Parks

Please make your visit safe and enjoyable. Obey all posted rules and regulations and respect fellow visitors and the resources of the park.

• Prevent wild fires. Fires are only permitted in fire rings or grills. Gas and propane camp stoves are permitted. Fires must be attended at all times and extinguished before leaving a campsite. Properly dispose of hot coals.

• Firewood is not provided. Cutting live or standing trees and the operation of chainsaws are prohibited.

• Firewood Advisory: Firewood may contain non-native insects and plant diseases. Bringing firewood into the park from other areas may accidentally spread pest insects and diseases that threaten park resources and the health of our forests. Use local firewood. Do not take wood home and do not leave firewood. Burn it!

• Because uncontrolled pets may chase wildlife or frighten visitors, pets must be physically controlled, attended at all times, and on a leash, caged, or crated. Electronic fences and leashes are prohibited.

BEAR TRUTHS: Hickory Run State Park provides the perfect habitat for black bears. Although they appear cute and cuddly, black bears are wild animals.

A black bear can scramble up a tree like a raccoon and sprint up to 35 mph. Bears use their claws to tear apart rotting logs to find food as well as open trash cans and coolers. Pennsylvania has some of the largest black bears in the United States.

Black bears have an excellent sense of smell. Aromatic scents coming from your food and toiletries can attract a curious and hungry bear from a great distance. Keep your campsite clean. Clean up after meals, and store all food and scented items inside a locked vehicle. This practice will prevent bears and other wildlife from visiting your campsite at night. Do not hang garbage from the hook on the lantern pole provided at each site. Feeding bears is illegal.

Black bears normally avoid people, but bears dependent on eating human food can become aggressive when people get between them and food. Never approach a bear, and be especially wary of mother bears and cubs.

If you encounter a black bear, do not run. Back away slowly without making direct eye contact. If the bear does not leave the area, make a loud noise like blowing a whistle, honking a car horn, or banging a pot. Notify a park employee if you have difficulties with bears, and call 911 if it is an emergency.



Modern Camping

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