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2010 OPERATIONAL POLICIES - CAMPGROUND RULES & REGULATIONS

Fees & Permits

1. Seasonal campsite payment is due in one instalment by 8:00 pm Sunday, April 25th, 2010.

2. Cash, certified cheque, debit, Visa and MasterCard are accepted methods of payment.

3. Non-payment of fees will void the permit and all items on the site will be removed at the owner's expense. A site occupancy fee of $25.00 per week will be charged on all overdue accounts. Complementary Visitor Passes will not be issued if payment is overdue or late.

4. Campsite and/or vehicle permits are not transferable. If a camping unit is sold, the buyer is not entitled to the site. If the current permit holder chooses to relinquish site, the buyer has first entitlement to take over the site after receipt of appropriate fees. A refund will be issued, if applicable, to the permit holder according to approved refund policy. Subletting and renting of trailers and/or sites is prohibited

5. Permit holders must be at least 16 years of age for both seasonal and nightly camp sites. Permit holders must be present on site when permit is valid.

Campsite Activities

6. All federal, provincial and municipal laws apply while on UTRCA properties (Fanshawe Conservation Area, Pittock CA, Wildwood CA).

7. No excessive noise permitted at anytime. Quiet hours are from 11:00 pm to 8:00 am. No radios, musical instruments, televisions, etc. during quiet hours.

8. The Superintendent/Designate may designate certain areas to be radio free.

9. The possession or consumption of alcohol will be "prohibited" at Fanshawe Conservation Area during a five (5) day period over the Victoria Day weekend each May.

Campsite Equipment

10. Up to three pieces of sheltered equipment are permitted on a campsite. Only one piece of sheltered equipment can be a tent trailer, house trailer, motor home, or self propelled camping unit. A storage shed is considered to be a piece of sheltered equipment. Secondary tents may be permitted. At no time may there be more than three pieces of sheltered camping equipment on one individual campsite unless approved by the Superintendent/Designate.

11. All trailers must be professionally manufactured by a trailer manufacturing company for the purpose of camping. Trailer size is limited to a maximum of 45 ft. in length, and 12 ft. in width (manufacturers' specifications). All trailers must have permanent wheel carriage. Hitch assembly of seasonal trailers must face the roadway and be accessible at all times.

12. A two-foot easement must remain clear adjacent to all power and water lines to allow for maintenance. Trailer units, sheds, decks, awnings and all overhead equipment such as antennas and flag poles must be 10 ft. away from any overhead power line.

13. All sewage must be contained within your camping unit. Valves and related equipment must be well maintained, free of leaks and easily accessible for sewage disposal. If valves and related equipment are not maintained or easily accessible the trailer will not be pumped. Fees will be applied for "emergency" pumping requests to be completed at a time other than scheduled weekly pumps.

14. Awnings are considered to be part of the camping unit and must be permanently attached with a track. Awnings must be factory made for use as a travel trailer awning and made from vinyl or canvas material. An awning may not exceed length of trailer body and must be approved by Superintendent/Designate.

15. "Adda" rooms are considered to be attached to the camping unit and must be properly enclosed. Any type of deck is not permitted outside the Adda room. Adda rooms must be manufactured of canvas or vinyl and cannot exceed 200 sq. ft.

16. One storage shed permitted per site. Maximum size is 288 cu. ft. (e.g., 6 ft. x 8 ft. x 6 ft.). All sheds must be approved by Superintendent/Designate.

17. An outside deck is permitted. All decks must be approved by Superintendent/Designate. All decks will be aesthetically pleasing, well maintained and can be constructed using wood, patio stones or carpet. Skids are not an acceptable building material. Deck size is restricted to a maximum of 250 sq. ft. with a maximum width of 10 ft. The deck cannot exceed the body length of the trailer and may not protrude past the end of the trailer. Railings and other structures above the deck floor cannot exceed 36 inches. The deck must be removable by hand (sectioned) and must be affixed at ground level (no cement footings). In addition to the deck area, a maximum of 64 sq. ft. of patio stones (16 - 24 in. stones) may be placed near the fire pit and shed area.

18. Barriers, fences or obstructions in or along the ground relating to a seasonal campsite must not extend past the hitch end of the trailer.

19. All patio lights not affixed to the camping unit must be located 8 ft. above ground level and must be approved by the Superintendent/Designate. Excessive strands of patio lights and flood lights are not permitted.

20. No refrigerators permitted unless they are securely contained within a camping unit or storage shed.

21. One wading pool, designated for children's use, is permitted on a campsite. All wading pools must be drained when not supervised. The wading pool must not exceed 60 inches in diameter and 23 inches in height. All wading pools are at the discretion of the Superintendent/Designate.

22. Hot tubs or outdoor spas are not permitted.

23. No permanent clotheslines permitted. Portable temporary clotheslines are permitted.

24. Large recreational equipment (e.g., trampolines, personal playground equipment) is not allowed on site without permission from the Superintendent/Designate.

25. Firewood must be cut to length (max. 18 in.) before entering the Conservation Area. A maximum 32 cu. ft. may be stored and shall be stacked neatly on the campsite. Firewood storage boxes are permitted. The size of the box cannot exceed 32 cu. ft. (4 ft. x 4 ft. x 2 ft.). Such a box must be affixed to the shed and locked. No skids or palettes are permitted.

26. All sites must be aesthetically pleasing and kept in a neat and clean condition at the discretion of the Superintendent/Designate. This includes decks, sheds and any other items that may be on site.

27. Removal of items on the site may be requested at anytime due to maintenance and/or safety concerns.

28. Items placed in or around garbage or recycling bins become property of the UTRCA and removal of these items is prohibited.

Energy & Water Conservation

29. Campers will make every effort to conserve energy. When the site is not being used, campers are asked to turn off indoor and outdoor lights and air conditioners.

30. Tap water shall be conserved to assist with water supply. Excessive lawn watering, trailer washing, etc., is not permitted and is at the discretion of the Superintendent/Designate. Further watering restrictions may apply.

Vehicles & Visitors

31. All vehicles must have a valid permit. One vehicle permit is included with your campsite. Seasonal vehicle permits must be affixed with original sticker adhesive to the bottom left corner of the windshield. Stickers must be visible from the outside of the vehicle to be valid. The vehicle sticker must not be altered in anyway. Improper use of the sticker will void the permit. The permit owner is responsible for all associated costs for lost, stolen, or seized permits. Stickers are not transferrable.

32. Two vehicles are permitted to park on a registered campsite. Any additional vehicles are to be parked at visitor parking or in an area provided at the discretion of the Superintendent/Designate. All motorized vehicles must be licensed and insured.

33. All visitors to the campgrounds are to park in designated parking areas. Visitors are admitted from 8:00 am to 9:00 pm daily, except on holiday weekends when no visitors will be admitted after 8:00 pm. Visitors must vacate the property by 11:00 pm nightly. Day use visitors are admitted from dawn until dusk. Campground and day use hours may be restricted at other times at the discretion of the Superintendent/Designate.

34. E-bikes are permitted on park roadways only. Use of e-bikes is prohibited on any park trail system. All other power assisted low speed vehicles are not permitted (e.g., Segways, motorized scooters, golf carts, etc.)

Boats

35. All boats and boat trailers are to be parked in the areas provided. Boats are permitted on campsites on weekends only, beginning at 8:00 am Friday, and must be off the site by 8:00 pm Sunday (8:00 pm on holiday Mondays). Permission to keep a boat/boat trailer on your campsite during times other than those permitted is at the discretion of the Superintendent/Designate

36. Personal wet docks are not permitted and boaters are asked to tie off or moor all vessels in designated areas. Wet dock rentals are available at Wildwood CA only. One watercraft is permitted per docking slip. All vessels must have a seasonal permit affixed to the hull.

Off Season Storage

37. Off season storage may be permitted either on site or in an area provided by the Superintendent/Designate. Off season storage must be paid prior to 2:00 pm on the last day of the camping season. All storage items must be approved by the Superintendent/Designate by written agreement. The only items that may be stored on site or in a designated area are trailers, decks and sheds/wood boxes as per signed winter storage agreement. Sites located in high water areas must be cleared of all items and a designated storage area will be provided. Any items stored without an agreement will be removed at the owner's expense and disposed of with a minimum $50.00 clean up fee.

NOTE: Provincial Regulations are made under the Conservation Authorities Act and are available upon request.