



Application for Turkey Run Ridge Group Campground

Thank you for choosing Prince William Forest Park for your group camping experience. In 1936, Prince William Forest Park lands opened for the public to enjoy group overnight camping. We are pleased to welcome your group to join this legacy. To ensure a safe visit here at Prince William Forest Park, please read and complete the application thoroughly. Your application will not be processed if signatures are left incomplete or if either page is missing from your application package.

The Application Process:

Applications are processed in the order they are received. Please ensure your application reaches Prince William Forest Park at least two weeks prior to your arrival date. If we can accommodate your request, a camping permit will be mailed to you. All fees must be paid upon receipt of the application. No refunds will be given for cancellations with exception to the National Park Service closing the site or access to the site. A one-time rescheduling of your reservation is allowed within the calendar year. If a credit card number is on your application, you can expect a phone call from a park ranger asking for the 3 digit security code on the back of your card. This is to ensure that the card number has not been stolen or abused.

The Campsites:

All Turkey Run Ridge Group campsites are \$40.00 per night. **This does not include the park's \$5.00 per vehicle entrance fee.** Sites A, B & D hold a maximum of 25 campers. Sites C, E & F hold 40 campers. All campers must set up their tents within their assigned campsite(s). Each campsite has tables, grills and lantern posts. Campground restroom facilities feature sinks and flush toilets but no showers. For maintenance needs, such as plumbing or lighting, please call the park visitor center between 9 am and 5 pm at 703-221-7181. After 5 pm, call the park emergency number at 1-866-667-6677.

Check-in/Check-out:

Check-in is no earlier than 12:30 pm. Check-out is no later than 12:00 pm. For the benefit of all, the campsites must be kept clean and orderly from the time of arrival to departure. Upon departure, all garbage must be placed in the dumpsters located in the Turkey Run Ridge Group Campground parking lot or packed out of the park. Recycling is also available at the dumpster location near sites D & E.

Ranger-led Programs:

Please feel free to attend one of the park's regularly scheduled programs as noted at the visitor center or on the campground bulletin board. Your group may also inquire about scheduling a special program (i.e. – orienteering, leave no trace, beavers etc...) with a park ranger by contacting the visitor center at 703-221-7181 or by visiting our website at www.nps.gov/prwi.

Leader Responsibility:

The group leader is responsible for maintaining the cleanliness of campsites and bathroom facilities and for ensuring the group's compliance to the rules and regulations of the National Park Service. Violation of National Park Service regulations is a violation of Federal Law and may result in eviction from the park, fines or mandatory appearances in Federal Court.

Amphitheatre Use:

An amphitheatre, with bench seating and fire pit may be available at no extra cost. It must be reserved for a specific date on page 2 of this application. You may also inquire as to its availability upon your arrival at the visitor center. A group leader must have a bucket filled with water at the amphitheatre for safety. Fires must be contained within the stone pit. Bonfires or enlarging the stone pit is prohibited. Amphitheater activities must be completed by 10 PM.

Campfires and Firewood:

Each campsite has a designated grill for having a campfire. Do not leave fires unattended and keep all fires in their grill. Extinguish all fires before retiring or leaving the area. Wood within the park will not be cut, collected or removed for any reason, unless under an approved Special Use Permit. Wood less than 6 inches in diameter may be collected from the ground *only within the Turkey Run Ridge Group Campground area.*

Emergencies and Safety:

If an emergency occurs during your stay, contact the nearest park ranger on duty or call the National Park Service Emergency Dispatch Center at 1-866-677-6677 or 9-1-1 using the payphone located in the Turkey Run Ridge Parking lot.

I hereby state that I have read and understand the above rules and regulations for camping within Prince William Forest Park.

