Rocky Mountain

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Rocky Mountain National Park

Camping 2016

Enjoy a night under the stars in Rocky Mountain National Park! 5 campgrounds offer opportunities for fun and adventure.

- Except for Longs Peak Campground which accepts tents only, all campgrounds can accommodate tent trailers, tents, pickup campers, trailers, and motorhomes. Every park campsite has a tent pad, picnic table and fire grate. More than one tent is allowed as long as all fit on the tent pad. There are no hookups (water, electric, or sewer) at any park campsites.
- Eight people maximum may camp at a given site except for designated group sites at Glacier Basin Campground.
- Total parkwide maximum length of stay is 7 nights between June 1-Sept 30. Campers can stay an additional 14 nights Oct 1-May 31. The most popular time for camping in the park is from early July to late September. Campgrounds are frequently full July 4th weekend through Labor Day and on fall weekends during the elk rut and colorful foliage. Get an early start: reservable campgrounds are often full by reservation, and the first-come, first-served campgrounds often fill by noon. See below for reservation information.
- Overnight stays in Rocky Mountain National Park must be in a campground (or a backcountry site). Staying overnight in a vehicle along a road, in a parking lot, or at a trailhead is not permitted.
- Evening ranger programs may be offered in summer. Check schedules at visitor centers, park newspaper or park website, nps.gov/romo

Reservations Summer 2016

All sites in Aspenglen, Glacier Basin, Glacier Basin Group Sites, and Moraine Park Campgrounds

Have peace of mind knowing a campsite is waiting for you! Camping reservations can be made, and are highly recommended, from one day to six months in advance. Group sites at Glacier Basin are reservable.

Websites	recreation.gov reserveamerica.com
Calls from within the US	877-444-6777
Calls from outside the US	518-885-3639
Customer Service	888-448-1474
TTY for hearing/speech impaired	877-833-6777
Recreation.gov iPhone App	

First-Come, First-Served Campgrounds

Timber Creek
Longs Peak (may not open summer 2016)

Campers hoping for first come, first served sites should go to the campground itself to see if any sites are available. Eager campers line up on busy days to try for sites. Check out time is noon, but sites may be vacated throughout the morning. Sites fill quickly. Sites will not be held. Planning on camping at a first-come, first-served site can be disappointing, and backup plans are highly recommended. There are no refunds for unused nights.

Campgrounds 2016	Reservable for Summer?	Summer Firewood & Ice (purchase with cash at campground ranger station)	Max RV/ Trailer Length (feet)	Dump Station/ Potable Water Hose Hookup?	Toilets	Description
Aspenglen Elev 8220 ft 52 sites Open 5/26-9/25	Yes, can fill by reservation	Yes	30 ft	No. Use dump station at Moraine Park, Glacier Basin or Timber Creek	Flush	Situated in a pine forest near Fall River just inside the Fall River Entrance on US Hwy 34 west of Estes Park and walking distance to Fall River Visitor Center. Cell phones do not work here. No generators in A & B Loops.
Glacier Basin Elev 8500 ft 150 sites Open 7/1-9/11 RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE STARTING MAY 2, 10 am Eastern Time	Yes, can fill by reservation	Yes	35 ft	Yes	Flush	Located on Bear Lake Road just across from the Park & Ride. Hazard trees were removed so there is no shade in the C and D Loops, but these are good sites for Continental Divide views, night sky, and slideouts. C76-104 are generator-free. Board the free summer shuttle buses to Bear Lake and Estes Park from the campground.
Glacier Basin Group Sites Elev 8500 ft 13 sites Open 7/1-9/11 RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE STARTING MAY 2, 10 am Eastern Time	Yes, can fill by reservation	Yes	Tents only	N/A	Flush	Group sites are for 9 people or more and tents only (no RVs). There is no set limit on the number of tents, but all must fit in the site. Fee is $4 per person per night. Hazard trees were removed so there is no shade, but these are good sites for views, night sky.
Longs Peak Elev 9405 ft 26 sites 2016 DATES UNKNOWN	No, always first-come, first-served	Firewood only	Tents only	No	Vault	This tents-only campground is in a lodgepole pine forest a short distance from the trailhead to Longs Peak and other destinations. Turn off of Colo Hwy 7 south of Estes Park at the Longs Peak Area sign.
Moraine Park Elev 8150 ft 244 summer campsites 77 winter campsites Open year-round; reservable starting May 26. Loop A sites 64-140 & Loop D close Oct 3; Loop A sites 1-63, Loop C, & Loop B reservable until Oct 11	Yes, can fill by reservation in summer. B Loop is first-come, first-served in winter	Yes	Limited number of RV/ trailer sites up to 40 ft	Yes	Flush except B Loop has vault toilets year-round	Located in a ponderosa pine forest above the meadows of Moraine Park, this campground is a short distance into the park on the Bear Lake Road. Trails from here connect to numerous other trails. D Loop is generator-free. Two solar-heated shower bag stall facilities. Board the free summer shuttle buses to Bear Lake and Estes Park from the campground.
Timber Creek Elev 8900 ft 98 sites Open 5/26-10/30	No, always first-come, first-served	Firewood only	30 ft	Yes	Flush	The only west side campground is close to the Colorado River in the Kawuneeche Valley 10 miles north of the town of Grand Lake on US Hwy 34 (Trail Ridge Road). The Never Summer Mountains rise to the west of the campground. Hazard trees were removed so there is no shade.

Fees

The summer camping fee, when the water is on, is $26 per site per night; the winter fee, when the water is off, is $18 per site per night. Fees are paid when reservations are made.

America the Beautiful Senior and Access Passes and Golden Age and Golden Access Passes entitle holders to 50% discounts on camping fees for sites occupied by the passholders; provide the pass number to the reservation company when the reservation is made. There are no discounts for other types of passes.

Payment for fees and passes must be by U S currency, coin, check (payable to the National Park Service), or American Express, Visa, Master Card or Discover credit cards. Debit cards are accepted.

Food Storage

Keep a clean camp!

Food storage locker
3 ft x 4 ft x 3 ft

Rocky is renowned for its wildlife. Help protect them by not attracting wildlife, including black bears, to your campsite due to improperly stored food. Bears can visit any time of day.

Never leave food items unsecured or unattended, day or night. No food nor toiletries should be kept in tents. Improperly stored or unattended food items will result in a violation notice. "Food items" include food, drinks, toiletries, cosmetics, pet food and bowls, and odoriferous attractants. Garbage, including empty cans, food wrappers, etc., must be stored or disposed of in trash or recycling receptacles. Hummingbird feeders and bird feeders are attractants for wildlife such as raccoons, elk, deer, and bears, and are not allowed in the campgrounds. Coolers, dirty stoves, grills, non-disposable tableware and cookware must be washed and stored in the same manner as food (do not place hot grills in food storage lockers). Camp kitchens must be kept clean and individual items properly stored.

In campgrounds, store all food items in food storage lockers; if full, store food items by one of the following methods:

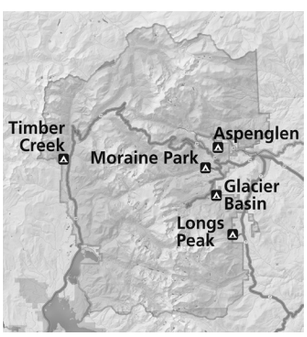
• Inside vehicle trunks; be sure windows are closed and doors are locked.

• In vehicles without trunks, items should be placed as low in the vehicle passenger compartment as possible and covered from sight, with windows closed and doors locked.

• Visitors with convertibles or motorcycles are encouraged to use food storage lockers, available in all park campgrounds; location symbols are on campground maps. Food storage lockers, which are approximately 3 ft x 4 ft x 3 ft are shared with other visitors and cannot be locked.

Facilities and Services

There are no hookups (water, electric, sewer) at any park campsites



All Campsites accommodate one camping unit (e.g. tent, RV or trailer/tow vehicle) plus one additional tent. All campsites, including RV sites, have tent pads and tent(s) must fit entirely on the tent pad. Parking is limited to 1-2 licensed vehicles (2 = tow vehicle and camper or 2 motor vehicles).

Electrical Outlets - All flush restrooms have electrical outlets at the sink areas.

Firewood & Ice - All campsites have fire grates for campfires. Do not leave campfires unattended. Firewood may not be gathered anywhere in the park. In summer, firewood and kindling are sold at all campgrounds. Please do not bring in firewood that could harbor insects. In summer, ice, lighter fluid, charcoal, pop and ice cream may be available at Glacier Basin, Moraine Park and Aspenglen campgrounds (cash only).

Phones Do not rely on cell phones in Rocky; many locations have no service.

Portable Grills are allowed in campgrounds; do not leave them unattended. Clean after each use to avoid attracting wildlife.

Restrooms - when the water is on at a campground, there are flush toilets; when the water is off, there are vault toilets. Exceptions: Moraine Park Loop B and Longs Peak campgrounds always have vault toilets.

Service Sinks - Service sinks are available at all campground restrooms except Longs Peak.

Showers - Portable showers are prohibited except in the two solar shower facilities at Moraine Park Campground. Showers are available in nearby communities. Remember, toiletries attract wildlife and need to be properly stored when not in use.

Water - drinking water spigots are located throughout the campgrounds. Sinks with cold running water are located in each restroom facility. When the water is off, no water is available and campers must provide their own water.

Wi-Fi - Free Wi-Fi access is available at Beaver Meadows, Fall River & Kawuneeche visitor centers.

Pets

PETS ARE PROHIBITED ON *ALL* ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK TRAILS, TUNDRA & MEADOWS. Pets may accompany you along established roads or in parking areas, and within established campgrounds and picnic areas. Pets must be kept on leashes no longer than six feet. Pet owners must pick up and dispose of pet excrement in trash receptacles. Pets may not make noise that impacts visitors or wildlife. Hiking alternatives to hike with your dog outside Rocky are available. Boarding facilities and veterinary clinics are available in nearby communities.

Hours

Campground checkout time is 12:00 noon; check in time is 1:00 p.m.
Quiet hours are 10:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.

Where allowed, generators can run from 7:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Accessible Sites

Ask for the "Access Rocky" brochure at park visitor centers or nps.gov/romo

All park campgrounds except Longs Peak have accessible campsites. Sites at Aspenglen, Glacier Basin and Moraine Park are reservable; sites at Timber Creek are first-come, first-served. Accessible sites have raised fire grates, picnic tables that can accommodate wheelchairs, and are near accessible restrooms. Amphitheaters at Moraine Park and Timber Creek are accessible.

Many park shuttle buses (available summer only) are accessible and can accommodate wheelchairs; contact shuttle staff or rangers if accommodation is needed.

Recreational Vehicles and Trailer Length Limits

- Aspenglen 30 ft maximum
- Glacier Basin 35 ft maximum
- Moraine Park: 40 ft maximum
- Timber Creek: 30 ft maximum

A limited number of sites can accommodate slide-outs and pull-alongs.

RMNP Information	970-586-1206
RMNP Camping Website	nps.gov/romo
Emergencies	Dial 911

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