Crime Prevention

We experience very little serious crime in our parks and recreation areas; with your cooperation we can keep it this way:

- Ensure that your camping gear and valuables are securely stored and locked up when you are away from your site.
- To deter thieves, mark your camping gear and valuables.
- Report acts of vandalism to a conservation officer or police.
- Be a good neighbour – help protect one another's property.

UAV/Drones

Recreational use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS) otherwise known as drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) are not allowed in the provincial parks system.

Horses

- The use of horses and pack animals is limited to designated areas and trails. To find out which provincial parks and recreation areas provide equestrian facilities visit albertaparks.ca/searchactivity.
This is a general guide to some of the regulations under the Provincial Parks Act and a variety of other provincial and federal legislation that applies to recreational activities in provincial parks and recreation areas. It is subject to change without notice. To view the Provincial Parks Act and the complete regulations, visit the Alberta Queen's Printer web site at qp.alberta.ca/Laws_Online.cfm (catalogue search key word “Provincial Parks Act”).

**Camping**
- Checkout time is 2:00 p.m. at individual campsites and group camping areas, and no checkout time at comfort camping sites.
- The stay limit in provincial parks and recreation areas where waste receptacles are not provided, or if bins are overflowing, must be carried out of the area for disposal.
- Relax from cleaning and bathing near water features, taps and wells.
- Help everyone enjoy the peace and tranquility of our parks. Avoid excessive noise. Loud music, parties, stereos at high volume and other loud activities are not permitted on a campsite unless they are all members of the same camping party.
- Quiet hours are in effect in provincial campgrounds from 11:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m.
- Campgrounds may be closed if an extreme fire hazard exists or if a wildfire is in the vicinity. Park operations may be suspended if extreme fire hazard is imminent. Check local news or call 310-FIRE (310-3473) for information on fires in the province.

**Fire Prevention**
- Campfires permitted only in facilities provided.
- Never leave your campfire unattended.
- Make sure your campfire is completely out before you leave your campsite.
- If you see a wildfire in a forested area, report it immediately to 310-FIRE (310-3473).

**Motor Vehicles**
- Day use areas in provincial parks and recreation areas are open to the public from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.
- Use of firebreaks is prohibited in all areas of the provincial parks system.

**Boating**
- For the protection of swimmers and boaters, please obey all signs at boat launches and on lakes.
- Boats used on any water body must conform with the Canada Shipping Act and regulations. To obtain information on boating regulations and general boating safety contact Transport Canada at 1-800-267-8667 or visit Transport Canada’s marine web site at tcs.gc.ca/eng/marine-menu.htm.

**Fireworks**
- Day use areas in provincial parks and recreation areas are open to the public from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.

**Wildlife**
- Protect the natural beauty of our parks and recreation areas.
- Picking wild fruits and mushrooms is also prohibited.
- For your safety and to protect wildlife do not approach, feed or harass wild animals. The acting of all camping party members is subject to the actions of all camping party members.
- Refer to the annual “Alberta Guide to Sportfishing Regulations” for seasons and catch limits. The guide is available in print and at albertaregulations.ca/fishingRegs.

**Liquor and Cannabis**
- Cannabis is not allowed in motorized vehicles (i.e. cars, trucks, SUVs and vans).
- Tobacco and cannabis smoking and vaping is prohibited on any water body.
- Cannabis is prohibited in public areas including: on roads, trails and walking paths; on public beaches; in washrooms and shower buildings; in cook shelters; and in boats.
- Consumption of liquor is permitted in public areas on any water body, except on Comfort Camping sites, and where OHVs are permitted.
- Alcohol and cannabis are illegal at all ski resorts and where OHVs are permitted.

**Fishing**
- If you are an Alberta resident between the ages of 16 and 65, you must obtain an Alberta angling licence.

**Plants and Fossils**
- Non-residents must obtain an Alberta angling licence regardless of age.
- Refer to the annual “Alberta Guide to Sportfishing Regulations” for seasons and catch limits. The guide is available in print and at albertaregulations.ca/fishingRegs.

**Fishing**
- To protect the natural beauty of our parks and recreation areas it is illegal to remove, damage or injure plants, fossils and debris. Use of dead wood lying on the ground for firewood is also prohibited.
- Picking wild fruits and mushrooms may be permitted if you have verbal approval from a conservation officer.