

## Updated Q&As – May 11, 2020

### **Q: Can I visit my cottage in a provincial park?**

- People can access private properties such as cabins or long-term seasonal campsites located in provincial parks or privately operated campgrounds. Although non-essential travel between provinces is strongly discouraged, people from outside of Saskatchewan are still permitted to use their properties. If you are visiting one of those properties, we ask that you minimize any non-essential travel within the park.
- Before traveling to your property, please check the [current public health orders](#) to ensure there are no travel restrictions for the area. Travel restrictions such as the one currently in place for northern Saskatchewan, are subject to change and must continue to be followed.

### **Q: I am from out of province, can I use a boat launch in a provincial park to launch my boat and go fishing?**

- Non-essential travel from out of province is strongly discouraged; however, out of province users will not be denied access to lakes or boat launches in Saskatchewan provincial parks.

### **Q: I am from out of province, can I visit a privately run business within a provincial park?**

- Non-essential travel from out of province is strongly discouraged; however, out of province users will not be denied access to privately operated businesses in Saskatchewan provincial parks.

### **Q: With the travel restrictions to northern Saskatchewan, will I be able to reserve a campsite?**

- Currently, non-essential travel to northern Saskatchewan is prohibited. Please be aware, if you make a reservation and this travel restriction is still in effect, you may not be able to travel to the park. We recommend you hold off on making reservations to northern parks until these restrictions have been removed.
- Travel restrictions do not apply outside of the Northern Saskatchewan Administration District. Athabasca Sand Dunes, Clarence-Steepbank Lakes, Clearwater River, Cumberland House, Lac La Ronge and Narrow Hills provincial parks fall within the Northern Saskatchewan Administration District.

### **Q: Due to reduced services, will regular camping fees be adjusted?**

- No, nightly camping fees will not be adjusted. We hope to make more services available as the summer goes on. Seasonal fees will be pro-rated starting June 1, 2020.

### **Q: Will all recreational facilities be closed?**

- All recreational facilities must remain closed (swimming pools, beach access, picnic areas, playgrounds, tennis courts, etc.), including beaches and shared shoreline access; this is subject to change, and visitors should check back closer to their planned trip to a provincial park.
- Boats may be launched as long as physical distancing requirements are strictly observed.

**Q: How much is seasonal camping?**

<b>Seasonal Camping Type</b>	<b>Prorated 2020 Seasonal Camping Fee</b>
Electric	\$2,270
Non-electric	\$1,220
Economy	\$960

**Note: Seasonal fees will be pro-rated starting June 1, 2020**

**Q: How will you implement the 50 per cent capacity, meaning only every other campsite will be available to reserve?**

- We will be manually closing sites before the reservation launch to ensure only 50 per cent of the sites will be available to reserve via the online registration system.

**Q: Do the 50 per cent and adjacent site rules apply to long-term seasonal campsites that are leased through a private operator within a provincial park or offered in campgrounds outside of a provincial park?**

- No, the 50 per cent and adjacent site rules apply only to overnight stay and limited-term campsites.

**Q: Do the 50 per cent and adjacent site rules apply to the seasonal sites operated by the Government of Saskatchewan, reserved annually within Saskatchewan’s provincial parks?**

- Yes, when seasonal sites become available to reserve in Saskatchewan’s provincial parks on May 4, 2020, the 50 per cent and adjacent sites rules will be applied. These sites are not fully serviced and are more similar to an overnight or limited-term campsite, rather than a multi-year leased long-term seasonal campsite.

**Q: Do the 50 per cent and adjacent site rules apply to privately operated campgrounds, as well as provincial park campgrounds?**

- Yes, the 50 per cent and adjacent site rules apply to overnight stay and limited-term campsites in all campgrounds.

**Q: Will all campgrounds in Saskatchewan be open as of June 1, 2020?**

- Camping is permitted at private and provincial campgrounds as of June 1, 2020. However, privately operated campgrounds maintain autonomy in determining when to open after June 1, 2020.

**Q: What can’t I book?**

- Group camping, Camp-Easy, double sites and swimming lessons will not be available for reservation until further notice.

**Q: What will happen to my group camping reservation for 2020?**

- **If you have a group reservation between now and June 30, 2020:**
  - We will contact you to cancel your reservation and refund all fees paid in full.
- **If you have a group reservation between July 1 and September 30, 2020:**
  - At this time, we are not cancelling your upcoming reservation. If you choose to cancel or change your reservation, you will incur the normal cancellation/change and transaction fees. We will continue to assess the COVID-19 situation and provide you an update as we draw closer to June 30, 2020.

**Q: Will I have access to water?**

- Yes, enhanced cleaning and disinfection practices will be undertaken at central dump stations and water fill stations. Visitors will have access to water fill stations throughout the campgrounds. All other common water sources (such as drinking fountains, outdoor showers, and certain irrigation systems) will be closed (until further restrictions are lifted). We kindly ask all campers to be patient and ensure physical distancing at all times, including at water fill stations, during their stay in a Saskatchewan Provincial Park this summer.

**Q: Will washrooms available for camping be accessible day and night?**

- Yes, but we are encouraging campers to use their own bathroom facilities in their trailers or recreational vehicles as much as possible, and avoid public bathrooms.

**Q: If firewood distribution centres are closed, will I be able to get firewood?**

- Yes, each park will ensure visitors have access to firewood. If your park has an enclosed/indoor firewood distribution centre it will remain closed (until further restrictions are lifted), however firewood piles will be available in alternate locations so that campers can access firewood in a contactless way, while maintaining physical distance from other guests. If the park you are visiting usually has an outdoor pile of wood that allows visitors to easily maintain distance from each other while grabbing firewood you can expect to see it in the same place this year. We kindly ask all campers to be patient and ensure physical distancing at all times during their stay in a Saskatchewan Provincial Park this summer.

**Q: Will annual passes still be available at the entry gates? That was this information we were told back in January, but has it changed?**

- Annual passes will not be available at entry gates during May. During this unprecedented time, we are still working through processes and policies. We will have a variety of options in place for June. As always, you can purchase your annual entry permit with your camping when you reserve online. Please continue to visit our website ([www.saskparks.com](http://www.saskparks.com)) for updated information as it is available.

**Q: Will tenting still be permitted?**

- Tenting is still permitted but with limited access to washroom and no access to showers, campers should plan accordingly.