

# SASK PARKS CAMPING SEASON 2024



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Here's what you need to know about the 2024 camping season!

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## **Reservation Basics**



Reservations for the 2024 camping season can be made online at <u>parks.saskatchewan.ca</u> or call centre at 1-833-775-7275 (1-833-7SK-PARK).

- New customers will be required to create an account on the reservation system.
- A \$12 reservation fee is charged per campsite booked and covers the cost of administering the system. An additional \$2.00 call centre surcharge is charged for all transactions processed through the call centre. These reservation fees are non-refundable.
  - E.g. If you book two different campsites, you will be charged two reservation fees.
- Full payment is required at the time of booking. Acceptable payment methods are Visa, Mastercard, Visa Debit, Mastercard Debit, and eGift card. Cash and Interac Debit accepted in-park as well.

2024 Reservation Launch Schedule is as follows:

- April 1: Seasonal Campsites for parks offering seasonal camping.
- April 2: Candle Lake, Good Spirit Lake, Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan Landing
- April 4: Douglas, Echo Valley, Makwa Lake, Narrow Hills, Pike Lake
- April 5: Danielson, Great Blue Heron, Greenwater Lake, Rowan's Ravine, The Battlefords
- April 8: Buffalo Pound, Bronson Forest, Duck Mountain, Moose Mountain, Porcupine Hills
- April 9: Blackstrap, Crooked Lake, Cypress Hills, Lac La Ronge
- 3 Nightly camping launch will be staggered for each park and includes reservations for nightly camping (full service, electrical, non-electrical, economy and backcountry), Camp-Easy and Mongolian yurts, hammock camping, equestrian camping, group camping, recreation halls, swimming lessons, picnic shelters, and pavilions.
- Group camping, recreation halls, picnic shelters, and pavilions are available for reservations one operating season in advance. Group camping and day-use facility bookings for 2025 will open on the same day as nightly reservations for each park. Group camping and day-use facility bookings for 2024 opened during 2023 launch and are available to book now.





All launch days will begin at 7:00 a.m. CST each morning. Please refresh the website at 7:00 a.m.

A queuing system will only be activated when the threshold of people on the site is reached, meaning you will enter a "virtual waiting room" and will be released back to the reservation site on a "first-in, first-out" order, maintaining the integrity and fairness of the process.

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Camping Terms and Conditions can be found on confirmation letters and are also posted on the reservation website, <u>parks.saskatchewan.ca</u>

Don't forget, you can use the following features to help plan your next stay at a Saskatchewan provincial park:

- Campsite comparison compare up to three sites online to assist in deciding the site that best suits your needs.
- Campsite favourites create a list of your favourite sites that are saved in your online account.
- Availability notifications if a campsite is unavailable for the dates you wish to book, you can sign up to receive a notification email when it becomes available.
   Email notifications are sent to everyone at the same time each day, and sites are reserved on a first-come-first-serve basis.



# Nightly Camping 🦕



Nightly campsite reservations open at 7:00 a.m. CST on April 2, 2024 for stays during the 2024 camping season (May 16, 2023 until September 30, 2024).

Rates for nightly campsites for stays from May 16, 2024, to September 30, 2024:

- Full-service site: \$44 per night
- Electric site: \$33 per night
- Non-electric site: \$20 per night
- Equestrian site: \$20 per night
- Economy site: \$18 per night
- Hammock camping site: \$50 per night
- Backcountry camping permits are available at Meadow Lake and are available for purchase online, in-park and via call centre. Campers and visitors accessing the Meadow Lake Boreal Trail must have a valid entry permit.
- 4 Same-day bookings are allowed until 11:00 p.m. on the day of arrival.
- 5 Campers can book nightly camping for as long as they would like on the same campsite provided there is availability.
- 6 Have you heard about our "Camping This Weekend" feature? This is a great option for those who are looking for a last-minute weekend getaway to a provincial park! Select the "Camping This Weekend" tab on <u>parks.saskatchewan.ca</u> and this handy tool will show you which parks have availability for the upcoming weekend.

Did you know that we offer a variety of pet-friendly amenities in parks like Good Spirit and Duck Mountain?



# **Seasonal Camping**



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Seasonal campsite reservations open at 7:00 a.m. CST on April 1, 2024 and can be booked until end of day on May 15, 2024.

Any seasonal sites that have not been reserved by park opening (May 16) will be converted to nightly sites on May 16.

Seasonal campsite fees are as follows:

- Full service: \$3,400
- Electric site: \$2,600
- Non-electric site: \$1,400
- Economy site: \$1,100



Seasonal campers will need to purchase a vehicle entry permit. A valid vehicle entry permit is required year-round within provincial parks.

#### **Group Camping**

- 1 Group campsite reservations open at 7:00 a.m. CST on the same day as nightly campsites open for each park.
  - Campers can search for group sites by the number of camping units required.

#### 2 Group Camping Fees



3 Group camping, recreation halls, picnic shelters, and pavilions are available for reservations one operating season in advance. Group camping and day-use facility bookings for 2025 will open on the same day as nightly reservations for each park. Group camping and day-use facility bookings for 2024 opened during 2023 launch and are available to book now.

# Camp-Easy

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Camp-Easy and Mongolian yurt reservations open at 7:00 a.m. CST on the same day as nightly campsites open for each park.

Camp-Easy sites will be available at the following provincial parks:

	ТҮРЕ	SITE	
BLACKSTRAP	Yurt Yurt	217 218	
<b>BUFFALO POUND</b>	Yurt Yurt	E34 E35	
CROOKED LAKE	Yurt	32	
CYPRESS HILLS	Yurt Yurt	M55 M56	
DOUGLAS	Yurt Yurt	317 318	
DUCK MOUNTAIN	Yurt Yurt	Y1 Y2	
ECHO VALLEY	Yurt Yurt Yurt	268 272 274	
GOOD SPIRIT	Yurt Yurt Tent	A1 A2 A46	
GREAT BLUE HERON	Mongolian Yurt	A46	
GREENWATER LAKE	Yurt	L24 L26	
MEADOW LAKE	Yurt Yurt	G <mark>68</mark> M62	
NARROW HILLS	Yurt Yurt	55 57	
PIKE LAKE	Yurt	53	
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- 3 All Camp-Easy tents and yurts are equipped with one queen bed for added comfort, with two bunk-style cots that sleep four.
- A refundable damage deposit must be paid at the time of reservation. Damage deposits will be held by Sask Parks for the duration of the reservation and will be refunded if the site remains in good condition. In the event the reservation site is damaged, items included in the site are lost or missing, or non-compliance with the rules has resulted in loss, the damage deposit will be retained and used to remedy the damage or loss.
  - Customers will need to complete and bring a <u>Camp-Easy Liability Waiver</u> for their stay that can be found on saskparks.com.

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### **Park Entry Permits**



A valid park entry permit is required year-round and must be displayed on your vehicle's dashboard when in a Saskatchewan Provincial Park.

Park entry permits offered in 2024:

	Park Entry Permits	Price (\$
	Annual Entry Permit	\$82
AND CONTRACT	Weekly Entry Permit	\$42
	Daily Entry Permit	\$11

3 Park entry permits can be purchased at the park or ahead of your arrival on <u>parks.saskatchewan.ca</u>.

If you plan on purchasing your park entry permit online at <u>parks.saskatchewan.ca</u>, please note the following:

- Daily and weekly park entry permits can be printed at home or collected at the park and are non-refundable. Valid non-expired permits can be upgraded to a weekly or annual park entry permit upon arrival at the park.
- New this year, daily and weekly entry permits purchased online in advance of a visitor's stay can be reissued to facilitate date or licence plate changes prior to the permit start date, adding more flexibility to purchasing entry online and reducing entry gate congestion.
- If you purchase an annual park entry permit online, the permit will be mailed to the mailing address associated with your reservation. Allow at least two weeks from the date of purchase for your annual to be received in the mail.
  - You will also be emailed a temporary permit that you can print and display in your vehicle until the annual permit arrives in the mail. The temporary park entry permit is valid three weeks from the date of purchase.
- A mailing fee of \$1 per annual park entry permit will be charged for online purchases.

- Saskatchewan residents 65 years or older (or turning 65 in the current year) may receive free daily, weekly or annual entry to Saskatchewan Provincial Parks upon proof of age with government-issued ID at the park. A senior annual park entry permit is assigned to your Sask Parks customer account and are for your use only in Saskatchewan Provincial Parks.
- 5 Indigenous individuals may receive a free entry permit to Saskatchewan Provincial Parks upon presenting their valid Certificate of Indian or Métis Status at the park entry gate or administrative office and can be used for traditional resource use activities:
  - Indigenous individuals exercising their rights to carry out traditional use activities such as the gathering of plants for food and medicinal purposes and carrying out ceremonial and spiritual observances and practices.
  - Métis individuals with recognized Aboriginal rights in the north and First Nations individuals practicing their Treaty right to fish for food and, in parks where hunting and trapping is permitted, to hunt and trap for food.



#### **Picnic Shelter and Pavilion Rentals**

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Reservations for picnic shelters at Pike Lake, Rowan's Ravine, and The Battlefords open at 7:00 a.m. CST on the same day as nightly campsites open for each park for bookings in 2024 and 2025.

- Cutoff time for picnic shelter bookings: reservations must be made by 8:00 p.m.
  CST two days prior to arrival date.
- Large electric picnic shelter rental fees are \$80 per day. Small non-electric picnic shelter rental fees are \$30 per day.
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Reservations for pavilions at Blackstrap, Buffalo Pound, Echo Valley, Pike Lake, and Rowan's Ravine open at 7:00 a.m. CST on the same day as nightly campsites open for each park for bookings in 2024 and 2025.

- The new pavilion at Rowan's Ravine will open August 15, 2024.
- These modern new pavilions are perfect for weddings, family reunions, birthday parties and more.
- Pavilion Rental fees are \$125 per day.



#### **Recreation Hall**



Recreation hall reservations can be made online and via call centre for 2024 and 2025 starting at 7:00 a.m. CST on the same day as nightly campsites open at the following parks:

- April 2 Good Spirit Lake
- April 4 Echo Valley (Glacier Rock Centre), Pike Lake
- April 5 Greenwater Lake, The Battlefords
- April 8 Duck Mountain, Moose Mountain

2 Recreation fees will vary depending on recreation hall size and length of booking as outlined below.

RECREATION HALL SIZE	HALF DAY (8:00 a.m 2:00 p.m. or 3:00 p.m 11:55 p.m. CST)	FULL DAY (8:00 a.m 11:55 p.m. CST)	RESERVATION FEE	DAMAGE DEPOSIT
LESS THAN 200 SQUARE METRES (Echo Valley Good Spirit and The Battlefords)	\$100	\$200	A \$12 non-refundable reservation fee is charged per continuous time block. Bookings made through the Call Centre will incur the reservation fee as above plus an additional \$2 surcharge.	A \$100 damage deposit will be charged per continuous time block.
GREATER THAN 200 SQUARE METRES (Greenwater Lake, Duck Mountain, Moose Mountain, and Pike Lake)	\$150	\$300	A \$12 non-refundable reservation fee is charged per continuous time block. Bookings made through the Call Centre will incur the reservation fee as above plus an additional \$2 surcharge.	A \$100 damage deposit will be charged per continuous time block

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A refundable damage deposit must be paid at the time of reservation. Damage deposits will be held by Sask Parks for the duration of the reservation and will be refunded if the site remains in good condition. In the event the reservation site is damaged, items included in the site are lost or missing, or non-compliance with the rules has resulted in loss, the damage deposit will be retained and used to remedy the damage or loss.

Recreation halls are available for booking in half day or full day time slots. There is a refundable damage deposit associated with the reservations. You can make changes to your recreation hall reservations online. In addition, recreation hall reservations can now be made for more than one day at a time, with only one reservation fee and damage deposit to be charged for consecutive time blocks booked.

#### **Special Event Permits**



Special events hosted in a provincial park or recreation site require a special event permit or vendor permit at least 15 business days prior to the event or activity.

- Examples of a special event include weddings, community events or sporting events.
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Customers reserving a day-use facility such as a recreation hall, picnic shelter or pavilion, MUST review the special event criteria prior to making a reservation. Failure to fill out the special event application for events that fall within the special event criteria may result in the cancellation of the booking.



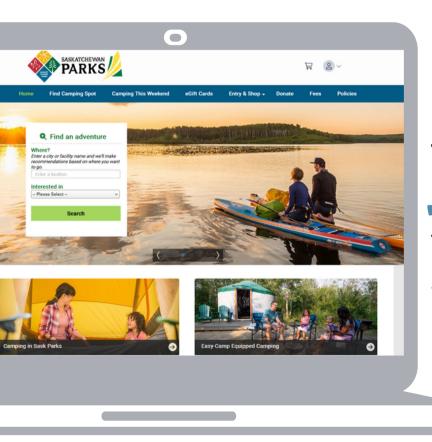
For more information including special event criteria, fees and to download the Special Event Policy and Application form, visit the <u>Hosting a Special Event</u> page.

#### **Swimming Lessons**

- Swimming lesson bookings open at 7:00 a.m. CST on the same day as nightly campsites open for Buffalo Pound, Cypress Hills and Pike Lake.
  - Cut-off time for swimming lesson bookings: reservations must be made by 12:00 p.m. on the Friday before the Monday of swimming lessons.
- A \$12 reservation fee will be charged for swimming lessons (including an additional \$2 surcharge if booked via the call centre).
- Before the start of swimming lessons, participants will need to complete and bring the <u>Park Visitor Programs Authorization form</u> to the first day of swimming lessons. Forms can be found on saskparks.com.

#### eGift Cards

- eGift Cards may only be redeemed towards the purchase of eligible goods and services offered on the Reservation Website, via the Call Centre and at Saskatchewan Provincial Parks, including campground reservations and walk-ins upon availability, vehicle entry permits, and services operated solely by the Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport. eGift Cards are not redeemable towards the purchase of goods and services offered by lessees operating in Saskatchewan Provincial Parks.
  - Sask Parks eGift Cards do not expire and we do not charge any service fees for non-use.
- 3 You can check your current balance or add more value to the eGift Card online at <u>parks.saskatchewan.ca</u>, by contacting the Call Centre, or in a Saskatchewan Provincial Park.





to find your next adventure!

#### **Sask Parks Donations**

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People reserving a campsite online will be provided the option to donate to the parks system by choosing to roundup their purchase when checking out on the reservation site. Selecting this option will allow you to pick one of three pre-determined dollar amounts or manually enter an amount of their choice.

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Donations can also be made in any amount, directed to specific parks, educational and interpretive programming, trails and recreation, landscape protection and ecological integrity, or general park operations. To make a donation, visit <u>parks.saskatchewan.ca</u> and select the "Donate" tab.

All donations over \$20 are eligible for a charitable donation receipt.

#### **Park Programs and Special Events**

- Sask Parks has a number of exciting guided programs, concerts, special events, outdoor movie nights and more. Visit parks.saskatchewan.ca to stay up to date about all special events happening in parks this season.
- 2 New in 2024, campers will receive information about upcoming programming and events happening during their stay in reservation and reminder emails.
  - Campers can also view program calendars to help plan their summer camping trips.



#### **Reservation Changes and Cancellations**

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Fees and charges are subject to change at any time. If site fees change, we will honor the fees in effect when you made the reservation, as long as you do not change the reservation. If you make changes, new fees will apply.

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Change and cancellation fees are based on the type of site reserved. These fees are in addition to the reservation fee. Reservation, change and cancellation fees are non-refundable.

- 3 Unless otherwise stated, you may change or cancel your reservation by visiting parks.saskatchewan.ca or by calling the Saskatchewan Provincial Parks Reservation Call Centre at <u>1-833-775-7275</u>. Where a change or cancellation is not covered by the Saskatchewan Provincial Parks policies, Saskatchewan Provincial Parks will apply the relevant transaction/penalty charges if you:
  - Shorten any dates on a reservation.
  - Change arrival date, except to extend a reservation by arriving earlier.
  - Downgrade to a lower-priced site or activity.
- For a complete list of Saskatchewan Provincial Parks policies, rules and regulations please visit <u>parks.saskatchewan.ca.</u>

#### **Further Information**

General information on Saskatchewan Provincial Parks can be found on saskparks.com



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