Lottery & Seasonal Camping | FAQ Reference Guide

When is the seasonal camping season?

May 1 through October 31. The seasonal agreement covers the assigned site for that period.

Does having a site this year guarantee it next year?

No. Every season uses a new lottery; prior campers do not receive priority or automatic renewal.

How many lottery entries can our family submit?

One per household or intended camping group. People sharing an address may submit separate entries only when they have separate camping units and genuinely intend to occupy separate sites.

Do I have to rank every campsite?

No. Rank only the sites you would actually accept, in your preferred order.

Do I have to attend the drawing?

Not necessarily. You or your authorized phone representative must be reachable by phone from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on drawing day.

How long do I have to respond when the office calls?

Fifteen (15) minutes from the initial outgoing call to accept or decline the offered campsite. No response within that window is treated as a decline.

What happens if I miss the call or decline?

You move behind applicants who were not initially awarded a site, retaining your relative original draw order among other applicants who declined.

What if I am drawn but none of my ranked sites remain?

You remain eligible for the waitlist in your original drawing order for sites you listed as acceptable.

Can I switch to a different campsite later?

No. Once you accept an assigned site, the assignment is final for that season.

How long do I have to return my signed agreement?

Ten (10) business days after accepting a site. Mailed agreements must be postmarked within that period; electronic and hand-delivered agreements must be received by the deadline.

Do I have to pay when I sign?

No payment is due at signing. The first monthly payment is due May 1, with subsequent payments due on the first of each month through October. Late-season offers require separate payment instructions.

Can I leave my camper parked when I am away?

Yes. The camping unit may remain on the assigned site during the season even when you are not staying there.

What if I take my camper away temporarily?

Notify the office of your expected departure and return dates and promptly report any changes. HorseThief may temporarily rent the vacant site during the reported absence without ending your seasonal agreement.

Can friends or relatives visit or stay overnight?

Yes, guests may stay in the registered RV or in tents. One tent is included at no additional charge; additional tents require payment of the applicable camping fee. Guest arrivals and departures do not need to be reported. The seasonal camper is responsible for guests following park rules.

Can I let someone else take over or rent my campsite?

No. Lottery entries and campsite assignments cannot be transferred or sublet. Only the assigned recreational vehicle listed on the agreement is allowed in the campsite.

Who mows around my campsite?

HorseThief handles mowing and grounds maintenance. Campers must keep their site orderly and move items as needed for park maintenance. Make sure your camper (including slide outs) are all contained within the campsite pad.

What if I leave before October 31?

You remain responsible for the current month, but not all remaining months. Early termination makes you ineligible for the following year's lottery.

Will every vacant seasonal site be offered to the waitlist?

Not necessarily. Management may offer a site to the next eligible waitlisted applicant or release the site for short-term reservations.