

Hillman Ferry Campground Rules LAND BETWEEN THE LAKES National Recreation Area



Find complete camping rules: www.landbetweenthelakes.us/

Arrival/Departure: Check-in is 4:30pm. You may check in anytime during your arrival date, if the site is vacant. Check-out is 3:30pm. A one-night late fee will be assessed after 3:30pm.

After Hours: If you arrive after the gatehouse hours, refer to the posted instructions, occupy your assigned site, and return to the gatehouse by 9am the following day for check-in

Alcohol: Public consumption of alcohol is prohibited in Kentucky.

Campfires: All campfires must be contained in fire rings. Extinguish fires thoroughly before leaving the site. No trash burning allowed. Fire rings should not be removed from their locations.

Camping Equipment: Camping equipment may not be left unattended overnight.

Camping Unit: A camping unit is one sleeping tent or one wheeled vehicle, such as a recreational vehicle (RV), motorhome, pop-up trailer, trailer, fifth-wheel, truck camper, van camper, or a truck with topper.

Campsite: Campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis or at the time of registration by reservation. We encourage you to reserve and pay for your entire intended stay as your site may not be available for an extension otherwise.

Campsite Capacity: Each paid campsite allows for two vehicles. Additional visitors and vehicles will be charged. Campsites are limited to a maximum of eight people, two camping units in which only one may be wheeled, and up to five overnight vehicles. When the number exceeds the maximum, a second site must be rented, paid for, and occupied by an additional camping unit. Golf carts are considered an extra vehicle.

Campsite Change: Changing campsites requires staff to check availability before you can move. A fee may be applied. If gatehouse staff is unavailable, check the "After Hours" notice posted on gatehouse information board for guidance.

Campsite Gravel Pad: All camping units and equipment must be placed on prepared gravel campsite pads. Stakes can be driven through the gravel campsite pads.

Campsite Occupation: A camping unit must occupy the site immediately after registration and must be fully set up, including tents and pop-up trailers. Sites may not be "held" with a temporary camping unit. At least one adult, 18 years of age or older, and a proper camping unit must occupy site the first night and may not be left unattended overnight. Campers under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

Commercial Activities: Commercial activities require a special use permit. No Items shall be sold, advertised or displayed. No solicitation or printed materials.

Discounts: We honor National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands' Senior and Access passes - offering the cardholder a discount of 50% off the basic site camping fee.

Drones: Drones are prohibited in developed campgrounds.

Emergency: In case of emergency, dial 9-1-1.

Firewood: Can be purchased at the gatehouse. You can gather dead and downed firewood.

For non-emergency situations or to report a theft, loss, accident, or disturbance, contact campground staff or call Forest Service Law Enforcement at 877.861.2457.

Glass Containers: Glass containers are not permitted in public areas.

Golf Carts: Are considered an extra vehicle and cost an extra vehicle fee or an annual permit can be purchased.

Group Activity Shelters: All registered campers share activity shelters unless reserved in advance.

Hunting: Hunters must possess both a valid state hunting license and a Land Between the Lakes Hunter Use Permit to engage in Hunting Activities while on Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area.

Late Arrivals: Campers must arrive, check in, and occupy the reserved site within 24 hours from the scheduled arrival date. After 24 hours, no refund will be given and the site becomes available.

Length of Stay: Regulations limit camping to 21 consecutive days in a camping loop. After 21 days, you must move to another camping loop or area for a minimum of 7 days before returning to the previous loop.

Liability: Land Between the Lakes is neither liable nor responsible for damage, loss, or theft of personal property or for injuries to visitors.

Minimum Stay: We have a two-night minimum stay on weekends and a three-night minimum stay on holidays with reservations.

Natural Resources: All wildlife and plants are protected. Please do not feed or harass the wildlife. Use fallen branches as firewood. Do not nail, carve, or hang anything, including lanterns, on trees.

No Wake Zones: No Wake Zones include near swimming areas, boat ramps, and fishing docks.

Parking: All vehicles must park on campsite gravel pad or in designated overflow areas.

Pets: Pets must be on a leash of 6-feet in length or less and under physical control at all times while in camparound. You are required to clean up after your pet. Pets are not permitted in bathrooms, shower buildings, outpost, or cabins. Pets must not be left unattended.

Prohibited: Fireworks, metal detectors, vehicle maintenance, discharging gray or black water, and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) are strictly prohibited.

Quiet Hours: Quiet hours are11pm to 6am. Generators must be silenced during this time. Limit vehicle traffic to entering and exiting.

Recycle: Please recycle at provided recycling stations.

Reservations: Reservations may be made beginning 180 to two days before arrival date for a select number of campsites above the flood plain. You can make reservations anytime online at www.usedirect.com/CampLBL or Monday through Friday between 9am and 5pm Central Time when calling 1.800.525.7077.

Reservations are complete when full payment is made via Visa, MasterCard or Discover credit or debit cards. Non-refundable reservation fees will be charged. In addition, change fees and cancellation fees may also be charged. Refer to Rates & Hours brochure for details.

Road Rules: There is a 15 mph speed limit in campgrounds. Follow all state and federal regulations. Golf carts are allowed on campground roads and only by a state-licensed driver.

Safety: You are responsible for your own safety. Camp and recreate at your own risk. If you have a safety concern or sustain an injury, notify Campground Staff.

Swimming Beaches: Swimming beaches are for registered campers only during daylight hours. Pets and glass not permitted. No lifeguard on duty- swimming is at your own risk. Water shoes and life jackets are encouraged. Swimming at boat ramps and courtesy docks is prohibited.

Seasonal Camping Program: A limited number of campsites are available for seasonal camping for three to nine months at Hillman Ferry. Annual applications must be submitted by the first week in January; lottery drawings follow. Applications available online in mid-November. Call 270.924.2044 for info.

Target Range: Three targets available at 10, 30, and 40 yards. Archery target practice is permitted in designated areas only. Field tips only- no broadheads.

Visitors: All camp visitors must register at the gatehouse and obtain a current vehicle permit. Visiting hours are 7am to 11pm; vehicle fee is for up to 8 people.

Water: Protect our water supply; please use biodegradable products. Discharge gray or black water at designated dump stations only. Do not clean fish or other game in shower buildings, sinks, or at water faucets and hydrants. Do not wash dishes, brush teeth, or wash up at potable water sources. Do not wash vehicles or trailers at campground. Do not connect hoses to faucets or plug campers into outlets at shower buildings. To help protect our water supply from harmful bacteria, hoses must be detached and removed from area when not in use. Do not tie up pets to hydrants. For your safety, state certified employees monitor our drinking water. Waste water is processed on-site through state permitted treatment facilities and eventually discharged into lakes.

Weapons: The discharge of any firearm, gas gun, or air rifle outside of legally hunting or while in use at the Golden Pond Target Range is prohibited. All weapons used for the taking of wildlife must be stored, cased, and unloaded at all campsites.

Weather: Inclement weather, such as thunderstorms, excessively high winds, ice/snow, etc. can occur with little to no notice. When these events are predicted/occur, please take appropriate precautions such as closing awnings, securing loose items, taking down/staking sunshades, etc. Contact gatehouse for guidance about weather events.



Brandon Spring Group Camp 38 Miles | 49 Minutes from Hillman Ferry Reservations required: 931.232.7405





Elk & Bison Prairie 16 Miles | 20 Minutes from Hillman Ferry



Golden Pond Visitor Center. Planetarium & Observatory 18 Miles | 23 Minutes from Hillman Ferry



Woodlands Nature Station 11 Miles | 18 Minutes from Hillman Ferry



Homeplace 1850s Working Farm 29 Miles | 38 Minutes from Hillman Ferry



Turkey Bay Off-Highway Vehicle Area 20 Miles | 26 Minutes from Hillman Ferry

What's Happening in Land Between the Lakes During Your Stay:

