

Riding Mountain National Park of Canada

Things you should know regarding camping in the Wasagaming Campground

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Important Notices:

- **Alcohol consumption is prohibited nightly during quiet hours (11:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m.).**
- **There is a complete alcohol ban for the entire May Long Weekend (May 20-23, 2016).**
- **Check-out time is 11:00 a.m. You must vacate your site before 11:00 a.m.**
- **During the 2016 camping season there will be planned closures in certain areas of the Wasagaming Campground to accommodate the site enhancement process of over 131 existing sites. These sites will be upgraded to have water and electrical utility services to better address visitors' needs. The areas will be opened to the public as these enhancements have been completed.**

General Camping Information:

Operating Season (Nights):

May 12 – October 9, 2016

- Sites 001-086: May 12 to October 9
- Sites 101-274: May 12 to September 4
- Sites 301-368: May 20 to September 4
- Sites 369-413: May 20 to September 4
- Sites 414-526: May 20 to September 4
- oTENTiks: May 12 to October 9
- Yurt: May 12 to October 9

Reservable Period (Nights):

May 12 - October 9, 2016

- Sites 001-086: May 12 to October 9
- Sites 101-274: May 12 to September 4
- Sites 301-368: Not reservable
- Sites 369-413: Not reservable
- Sites 414-526: Not reservable
- oTENTiks: June 24 to September 4
- Yurt: June 24 to September 4

Reservable Percentage:

- 100% reservable

Kiosk Hours:

- 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. (July and August).
- Hours may vary in other months.

After Hours Registration:

- After hours, please refer to signage in kiosk window.
- **Entrance gate to the campground is closed to vehicles after 1:00 a.m. After 1:00 a.m., campers must park their vehicles outside the campground and walk in.

Check In Time:

- Any time after 2:00 p.m.
- Visitors who would like to arrive at the campground earlier may enjoy the rest of the park while waiting for their campsite to become vacant (a valid national park entry pass is required).

Check Out Time:

- Before 11:00 a.m.

Quiet Hours:

- 11:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.
- Alcohol consumption is prohibited during quiet hours.
- No excessive noise at anytime.

Minimum Length of Stay:

- 1 night.

Maximum Length of Stay:

- No maximum stay - unlimited.

Maximum Persons per Site:

- 6 people.

Maximum Vehicles per Site:

- 2 vehicles, space permitting.

Maximum Camping Units per Site:

- 2 tents or 1 RV/camper and 1 tent.

Generator Policy:

- Not recommended.
- Generator use is prohibited during quiet hours (11:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.).

Amperage of Electrical Service:

- 15 and 30 Amp service in all serviced campsites.

Fire Policy:

- Firewood is sold by the bundle.
- Authorized in provided firepits only.
- No fires allowed from 1:00 a.m. -7:00 a.m.
- ** Bringing firewood from other areas into Riding Mountain National Park is NOT PERMITTED; it may harbour invasive species that have the potential to destroy entire forests.

Alcohol Policy:

- Alcohol consumption is prohibited nightly, between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- A complete alcohol ban is enforced for the May Long Weekend (May 20-23, 2016).

Pet Policy:

- Pets must be kept on a leash at all times and they must not be left unattended. You must be in physical control of pets at all times, control the noise levels, and always clean up after them. Please keep all pet food stored inside.
- See *Bare Campsite Program* brochure upon arrival for more information.

Campground Location:

- **Wasagaming Campground:**
Located in the Wasagaming townsite off of Columbine Drive. The campground is a 10- to 20-minute walk to the main beach.

From the South: Travel North of Brandon on Highway #10 for 95 km and you will come to the South Entrance of the Park. Continue 1 km past the South Entrance Kiosks on Highway #10 and turn left (West) on Columbine Drive. Continue for 500 m and turn right at the campground entrance (follow signs).

From the North: Go South from Dauphin on Highway #10 for 10km and you will come to the North Entrance of the Park. Continue 52 km past the North Entrance Kiosk on Highway #10 and turn right (West) on Columbine Drive. Continue for 500 m and turn right at the campground entrance (follow signs).

Wasagaming Campground GPS Coordinates:

Latitude: 50.656664

Longitude: -99.960168

Street Address: Intersection of Columbine Drive and Buffalo Drive, Wasagaming, MB

Campground Description:

- **Wasagaming (428 reservable sites):**
Electricity, Water & Sewer: 84 sites
Electricity, Water: 74 sites
Electricity only: 72 sites
Unserviced: 167 sites
oTENTiks: 30
Yurt: 1

*** Wasagaming has 2 family friendly loops: #322-368 and #461-508. These loops are likely to have small children, and may be a bit noisier during the day and quieter at night.

Mix of open & wooded sites.

All sites have firepits, picnic tables, access to washrooms with hot/cold running water, showers, and flush toilets; kitchen shelters; water taps; and a dump station.

A small number of sites are accessible for those with mobility impairments (3-way service); to check availability and make reservations go to www.reservation.pc.gc.ca

Entrance gate to the campground is closed to vehicles after 1:00 AM.

Roofed Accommodation Description:

- **oTENTiks**: Located in the Wasagaming Campground, the oTENTik resembles a traditional prospector tent, but offers a more spacious and comfortable experience. The tent has a wooden frame with canvas covering and a wood laminate floor.

Furnished with 3 sleeping platforms (with 2 approximately queen sized mattresses and 1 double mattress), table and chairs, and a wood stove. Picnic table, fire pit and propane BBQ on site (propane provided at no extra cost). There is no plumbing or running water in the tents. Water taps and washrooms with showers nearby. No food or drink permitted in the tents. Campers should bring bedding, flashlights, water jug, cooking equipment, and other items.

***Sites 702, 703 and 704 are separate from the rest of the oTENTiks and preferable for those wanting to reserve 2 oTENTiks side by side. There is a very short walk from the driveway and parking area to the tents. A small wagon will be provided for transporting belongings to the site.

***Sites 706, 713 and 715 have ramps for easier access.

- **Yurt**: Located in the Wasagaming Campground, the Yurt consists of a circular wood frame enveloped in canvas and equipped with skylight dome windows, a solid door and a hard wood floor.

Furnished with bunk beds, a futon, table and chairs, an armoire, and electric heat. Picnic table and fire pit on site. There is no electricity in the yurt but there is an exterior outlet and a small lantern provided. Water taps and washrooms with showers nearby. No food or drink permitted in the Yurt. Campers should bring bedding, flashlights, water jug, cooking equipment, and other items. The yurt is accessible to those with mobility impairments.

- **Cairn's Cabin**: Located 14 km down the Ochre River Trail. Wilderness cabin offering basic amenities: wood stove, sleeping loft (bring your sleeping mat), table and benches, and outhouse. The cabin is available during the winter only. Contact the Park directly for more information or to reserve (204-848-7275).

Internet/Wi-Fi Access :

- There are Internet Cafés located in the Wasagaming townsite and in Onanole. Please ask Park staff for locations and more information.

Fees:

For information regarding camping fees for Riding Mountain National Park please see our [Fees page](#).

If There is No Vacancy for Your Dates:

If the Wasagaming Campground appears to be full and alternative dates/services cannot be selected, we have 4 unserviced outlying campgrounds located around the park that are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Please call the Park (204-848-7275) for more details.

Require Additional Information?

Reservation service:

1-877-RESERVE (1-877-737-3783) 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. local park time or www.reservation.parkscanada.gc.ca

General park information:

1-888-773-8888 (8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, April to September, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time, October to March) or rmnp.info@pc.gc.ca

For information and reservations specifically for backcountry camping:

204-848-7275

For information and reservations specifically for Group camping:

Located at Camp Kippechewin (15 km from Wasagaming), Camp Ma-Ma-O-Pe (13 km from Wasagaming), or at Lake Audy Campground (44 km from Wasagaming). 10 people minimum. Pit toilets only - no showers.

204-848-7275

For Yurt reservations:

1-877-RESERVE (1-877-737-3783) 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. local park time or www.reservation.parkscanada.gc.ca

For oTENTik reservations:

1-877-RESERVE (1-877-737-3783) 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. local park time or www.reservation.parkscanada.gc.ca

Terms & Definitions:

Site-specific

Guests select the specific campsite or accommodation when they make their reservation. All front-country camping reservations made through the Parks Canada Reservation Service (PCRS) are site-specific reservations.

Operating Season (Nights)

The "Operating Season" is the nights that the campground is open. Sometimes the campgrounds are open for longer than the period for which they accept reservations. Any dates of the "Operating Season" outside of the "Reservable Period" are dates that the campground operates on a first come, first served basis only.

Reservable Period (Nights)

The "Reservable Period" is the nights for which you can make a camping or accommodation reservation. Note that many campgrounds may be open longer than this period, and operate outside of these dates on a first-come, first-served basis.

Kiosk

The administration/entrance booth of a particular campground, this is where you "check-in" and register your arrival.

Vehicle

Car, truck, motorcycle, truck-camper, motorhome, or recreational vehicle. A motor home pulling another vehicle may count as two vehicles.

Camping Unit

Tent, tent-trailer, truck-camper, trailer, 5th wheel, motorhome or recreational vehicle.

Serviced Site

Refers to a campsite offering either electrical, water, and/or sewer hook-ups or any combination of these services directly on the campsite. *Fully-serviced* sites offer electrical, potable water, and sewer hook-ups. *Unserviced* sites do not offer any of these hook-ups.

The terms *serviced* and *unserviced* refer to the individual campsites; they **do not** refer to the washroom facilities or other amenities available at the campground.

Drive-through Site

Campsite where the driver does not have to reverse their vehicle to exit (there is a separate entrance and exit to the individual campsite). Ideal for larger vehicles and trailers.

Walk-in Site

Campsite which requires some degree of walking to access the site, and therefore requires a tent. Vehicle will be parked a short distance away.

Overflow Site

Overflow campsites vary from park to park, and may range from a paved area to park a camping unit (not generally suitable for tents) to a more traditional, grassy site. They are unserviced and are not reservable.

Accessible Site

A campsite which is accessible to guests with limited mobility.

Firepit

A designated structure for campfires located on a campsite. Check availability, as not all campsites offer a fire pit. In some parks, a fire permit is required to have a fire.

In some parks, only communal firepits are available, and access is shared with other guests.

Fire permit

In some campgrounds, guests will require a valid fire permit to have a campfire. A fire permit may include firewood. Please refer to the 'Fire policy' section of the QRT for individual campground policies.

Firewood

In some campgrounds firewood is sold by the bundle, whereas in others a fire permit may give the holder access to the campground wood pile. Please refer to the 'Fire policy' section of the QRT for individual campground policies.

First-come, First-served Site

Campsites that are available on a first come, first served basis only. These sites are only available to guests who are physically located at the campground. These sites *cannot* be registered over the telephone or on-line. These campsites may be available for only 1 night or for multiple nights depending on availability.

Shoulder Season

Shoulder season refers to the season before and after the peak season. While many campgrounds remain open outside of their peak season, the services offered during this period may be limited (please check with the park for more details).

Entrance Pass

A valid National Park Entrance Pass is required for all visitors to National Parks that have entry fees.

Daily Entrance Pass

A daily entrance pass permits visitor's unlimited entry to the specified park on a per day basis for the period of time indicated.

Annual/Seasonal Entrance Pass

An annual or seasonal entrance pass permits visitor's unlimited entry to the specified park for the period of time indicated.

Parks Canada Discovery Pass

The Parks Canada Discovery Pass permits visitors unlimited entry to the participating Parks Canada national parks and national historic sites across Canada, for a period of 12 months.