

Protect Heritage and Natural Resources

- Metal detectors strictly prohibited
- Wildlife and plants are protected | Damaging or destroying plants or trees is illegal including carvings and nails in trees; lanterns hanging against trees; cutting, removing, injuring, digging, or destroying living plants | Mushrooms, nuts, berries, or other fruit may be picked or gathered
- Destruction, defacement, disturbance, or removal of any building, sign, structure, barrier, natural feature, archaeological artifact (including “scrap” metal), or public property of any kind is prohibited

Rules of the Road

- Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) designates roads where public motor vehicle use is authorized in Land Between the Lakes | **Obtaining this information is your responsibility.** Available at www.landbetweenthelakes.us/maps (print at home), North and South Welcome Stations, and Golden Pond Visitor Center
- All motor vehicles, including motorcycles, campers, and RVs must be properly licensed
- Roads signed “Cemetery Use Only” are only to be accessed by those visiting the cemetery | No recreational access allowed
- Parking is permitted within one vehicle length off a Forest Service authorized road
- Blocking access to any road, trail, or gate is prohibited
- 50mph speed limit on Woodlands Trace
- Off-Highway Vehicles (OHVs), including trail bikes, motorcross bikes, mini-bikes, all-terrain vehicles, three and four-wheelers, may be operated in Turkey Bay OHV Area only. Street legal and state registered motorcross bikes are legal to ride on all authorized roads
- Moped operators must comply with all Land Between the Lakes and state regulations.

Kentucky: Scooter/moped/motorized cycle operators must have a valid state driver’s license

Tennessee: Scooter/moped/motorized cycle operators must have a Motor Driven Cycle License and wear a helmet

Land Between the Lakes

National Recreation Area | USDA Forest Service
1.800.525.7077 or 270.924.2000
www.landbetweenthelakes.us

EMERGENCY or reporting: 911 or 1.877.861.2457

Check out Land Between the Lakes
www.facebook.com/LBLNatlRecArea/

- Biking is not permitted on Nature Station Trails or south of Golden Pond on the North/South Trail. Fort Henry Trails open to mountain biking
- Golf carts are prohibited except at Cravens Bay, Hillman Ferry, Energy Lake, and Piney campgrounds
*You must be 16+ and have a valid operators license

Backpacking Permits

A person must carry all his/her camping equipment and personal belongings in a backpack and wear it on his/her back; walk via a hiking trail to camp one or more nights, generally moving along the trail to a different location by foot each day. This does not include parking a vehicle and carrying supplies by hand to a campsite nearby.

- If backpacking along the Canal Loop, North/South Trail, or Fort Henry Trails, get a free Backpacking Permit at kiosks behind North Welcome Station, parking area across from South Welcome Station, or behind Golden Pond Visitor Center

Instructions with permits

- If you plan to camp in a designated Basic Camping Facility (listed on inside panel) while backpacking, purchase a Basic Camping Permit for each person 18 and over



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General Camping Rules

Land Between the Lakes

National Recreation Area Kentucky | Tennessee

Basic and Dispersed Camping

Each person 18 and older must possess a Basic or Dispersed Camping Permit.

Basic and Dispersed Camping is prohibited:

- Within cemeteries, picnic areas, and day-use areas
- With horses
- Within nightly fee campgrounds
- Within Colson Hollow Group Camp
- Within Brandon Spring Group Center
- Within Woodlands Nature Watch Area between Mulberry Flat Road and Silver Trail Road, east of Taylor Bay to Lake Barkley
- Within 200 yards of US68/KY80, Woodlands Trace National Scenic Byway, Mulberry Flat, Silver Trail, KY Lake Drive, and Fort Henry roads
- Within 200 yards of any public day-use facility, Nature Watch Demonstration Area in TN south of Ft. Henry Road, or Central Hardwoods Scenic Trail
- Maximum stay, 14 nights during any 30 consecutive days. On day 15, camping unit and occupants must move off Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area.
- Leaving camping equipment unoccupied overnight or on a site longer than 14 nights is prohibited



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Basic Camping Facilities with Boat Ramps:

Demumbers Bay, Ginger Bay, Neville Bay, Pisgah Point, and Twin Lakes | Some areas have picnic tables, fire rings, dumpsters, and toilets

Basic and Dispersed Camping Fees

3-day and Annual permits are available for purchase

Permits available:

- Online 24/7 at www.landbetweenthe lakes.us/reservations
- Golden Pond Visitor Center and Wranglers Campground year-round
- March through November: North and South Welcome Stations, Homeplace, Nature Station; Hillman Ferry, Piney, and Energy Lake campgrounds
- Discounts of any kind do not apply
- Two copies provided | repurchase if both are lost

Seasonal/Long-term Camping: Call 270.924.2044

Colson Hollow Group Camp: Reservation required
For fees and information | Call 270.924.2044

Self-Service Campgrounds

Read sign and instructions at entrance. Cravens Bay and Fenton are small campgrounds that have designated sites with access to drinking water, picnic tables, fire rings, toilets, boat ramps, and dumpsters. In addition, Cravens Bay has flush toilets and sells ice seasonally; Fenton offers designated sites with electric hook-ups.

Additional self-service campgrounds include: Birmingham Ferry, Boswell Landing, Gatlin Point, Nickell Branch, Redd Hollow, Smith Bay, Sugar Bay, and Taylor Bay.

- Within 30 minutes of arrival, fill out envelope, insert camping fee, and deposit in metal fee tube | See Rate Chart at entrance
- Fees for each campground are available on line at www.landbetweenthe lakes.us | Electric usage not discounted

- Senior and Access Pass cardholders receive 50% off camping, must possess a card to receive discount, and must occupy the site | Card may not be borrowed by a family member or friend
- Camping fee is per camping unit, per night
 - Two tents are one camping unit
 - Three or four tents = two camping units
 - One camper and one tent = two camping units
- Each fee allows two vehicles and up to eight people per camping unit, per night
- Two camping units allowed on each site
- All camping units, including vehicles, must be placed on designated site pads; Not on grass
- Maximum stay, 14 days during any 30 consecutive days. On day 15, camping unit and occupants must move off of the Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area.

General Regulations

- "Pack it in. Pack it out." | Keep campsite clean and litter free at all times
 - Dumpsters:** At all designated camping areas and Welcome Stations
 - Recycling stations:** At Developed campgrounds and Welcome Stations | Fishing line recycling available at most boat ramps
 - Dump stations:** At North Welcome, South Welcome, and Golden Pond (south of Hunter Check Station) | Dumping gray or black water on ground, in waterways, or in chemical or vault toilets is prohibited | Dumping home or commercial trash anywhere in Land Between the Lakes is prohibited
- Quiet hours 11pm to 6am | Generators allowed from 6am to 11pm
- An adult must accompany campers under age 18
- Securing camping equipment is your responsibility

- Saving/holding sites prohibited | Persons camping at site must occupy unit/site
- Leaving pets unattended prohibited
- Keep all pets leashed (6' leash or less) and under control at all times | Hunting dogs during authorized hunts/field trials may be off leash outside campgrounds and camping areas
- Alcoholic beverages in Land Between the Lakes:
 - Kentucky:** Public consumption of alcohol is prohibited
 - Tennessee:** Possession of alcohol outside designated campsites in Piney, Boswell Landing, and Gatlin Point campgrounds prohibited
- Fires must be in grills, fireplaces, and fire rings | If no fire ring, **build campfires so they won't spread**
- Unattended campfires prohibited | Dead and downed wood can be collected for campfires within Land Between the Lakes | Chainsaws allowed
- Construction of structures is strictly prohibited
- Selling goods or advertising within Land Between the Lakes allowed by permit only
- Spotlighting by any means or taking/injuring wildlife/fish prohibited
- Fireworks and metal detectors prohibited
- Possession, transportation, or discharge of firearms, air guns, crossbows, bows and arrows, or other weapons are prohibited unless authorized by hunting regulations or special permits
- Do not swim at boat ramps or courtesy docks

***Any camping equipment left unattended or left on a site longer than allotted time may be towed/removed at owners expense.**