**Nehalem Bay Campground Guidelines**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Thefts can occur night or day. Secure your vehicle and your gear, coolers and gas cans.

**Vehicles**
All vehicles must be parked on pavement. You may park a second vehicle at your site for an extra vehicle fee, but any other vehicles must be registered and parked in overflow parking areas near the meeting hall, amphitheater, and horse camp entrance or next to sites A33, B22, D16, D42, F16, and F44.

**RV Dump Station**
The RV dump station is located just past the registration booth.

**Quiet Hours**
Quiet hours are 10 p.m. – 7 a.m., and are strictly enforced.

**Recycling And Garbage**
Recycling and garbage areas are near each campground loop entrance. See posted signs for items accepted for recycling.

**CHECK IN** after 4 p.m., **CHECK OUT** by 1 p.m.

**Pets**
Pets must be physically restrained at all times when not confined in a vehicle or tent. Leashes may be no longer than six feet. Waste must be properly removed.

**Food**
Please make sure your food is stowed in a secure container. Raccoons, squirrels, and crows can tear through food and garbage bags. Raccoons are crafty and can open coolers. Feeding wildlife is prohibited for your safety and the animals’ well-being.

**Firewood and campfires**
You may purchase firewood at the park or bring your own. Fires are allowed only in designated fire pits within the campground and day-use areas. Burning beach driftwood in the campground or day-use areas is prohibited. Please do not leave fires unattended.

Building fires on the beach is OK, but be safe: fires must be at least 25 feet from vegetation and no larger than 3 square feet. Do not leave fires unattended and use water to extinguish them. Do not burn large piles of driftwood.

**Bicycles**
Bicycles are permitted on the bike path and on park roads, but must be ridden with the traffic flow. Bicycles are not allowed on restroom paths. Riders younger than 16 must wear helmets, which can be purchased at the park.

**Enjoy Bay and Beach**
You have the best of both worlds at Nehalem Bay State Park. A seasonal boat ramp provides access to fishing and crabbing on the bay, while sheltering dunes separate the campground from the ocean beach, which extends the length of the two-mile spit.

A two-mile bicycle trail winds along the bay shore and a new half-mile-perimeter trail connects with a city trail to take riders into downtown Manzanita. Beachcombing at Nehalem Bay can yield special rewards—treasures that include agates, shells, and occasionally glass floats. Watch for deer, elk, and other wildlife along the two-mile gravel trail leading from the end of the day-use area to the Nehalem River’s north jetty.

Choose from two picnic areas—one that overlooks the bay near the boat launch area with coastal mountains framing the background, and another that is closer to the ocean and has a trail leading over the dune to the beach. Both have picnic tables, fire rings and restrooms.

Day-use areas close at 10 p.m. The park charges a $5 day-use parking fee.

**Shorebird-related restrictions**
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• Up to four horses are allowed at each site.
• Temporary corrals are not permitted. Please keep horses in designated areas.
• Horse Camp guests must have their horse or pack animal with them at check-in.
• Ride on designated trails and only on the beach west of the foredune. Horses restricted to wet sand within marked Western snowy plover nesting area March 15 – September 15.
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