

TITLE VI  
PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS  
CHAPTER 61  
STATE PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS  
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**571—61.1(461A) Applicability.** This chapter is applicable to all state-owned parks and recreation areas managed by the department of natural resources and by political subdivisions unless otherwise noted.

**571—61.2(461A) Definitions.**

*“Bank”* or *“shoreline”* means the zone of contact of a body of water with the land and an area within 25 feet of the water’s edge.

*“Basic unit”* or *“basic camping unit”* means the portable shelter used by one to six persons.

*“Beach”* is as defined in rule 571—64.1(461A).

*“Beach house open shelter”* means a building located on the beach which is open on two or more sides and which may or may not have a fireplace.

*“Cabin”* means a small, one-story dwelling of simple construction which is available for rental on a daily or weekly basis.

*“Call center”* means a phone center where operators process all telephone reservations, reservation changes and reservation cancellations for camping and rental facilities.

*“Camping”* means the erecting of a tent or shelter of natural or synthetic material or placing a sleeping bag or other bedding material on the ground or parking a motor vehicle, motor home, or trailer for the apparent purpose of overnight occupancy.

*“Centralized reservation system”* means a system that processes reservations using more than one method to accept reservations. Each method simultaneously communicates to a centralized database at a reservation contractor location to ensure that no campsite or rental facility is booked more than once.

*“Chaperoned, organized youth group”* means a group of persons 17 years of age and under, which is sponsored by and accompanied by adult representatives of a formal organization including, but not limited to, the Boy Scouts of America or Girl Scouts of America, a church, or Young Men’s or Young Women’s Christian Association. “Chaperoned, organized youth group” does not include families of members of a formal organization.

*“Fishing”* means taking or attempting to take fish by utilizing hook, line and bait as defined in Iowa Code section 481A.72, or use of permitted devices for taking rough fish as determined by Iowa Code sections 461A.42 and 481A.76.

*“Free climbing”* means climbing with the use of hands and feet only and without the use of ropes, pins and other devices normally associated with rappelling and rock climbing.

*“Group camp”* means those camping areas at Dolliver Memorial State Park, Springbrook State Park and Lake Keomah State Park where organized groups (i.e., family groups or youth groups) may camp. Dining hall facilities are available.

*“Immediate family”* means spouses, parents or legal guardians, domestic partners, dependent children and grandparents.

*“Lodge”* means a day-use building which is enclosed on all four sides and may have kitchen facilities such as a stove or refrigerator and which is available for rent on a daily basis. “Lodge” does not include buildings that are open on two or more sides and that contain fireplaces only.

*“Modern area”* means a camping area which has showers and flush toilets.

*“Nonmodern area”* means a camping area in which no showers are provided and which contains only pit-type latrines or flush-type toilets. Potable water may or may not be available to campers.

*“Open shelter”* means a building which is open on two or more sides and which may or may not include a fireplace.

*“Open shelter with kitchenette”* means a building which is open on two or more sides and contains a lockable, enclosed kitchen area.

*“Organized youth group campsite”* means a designated camping area within or next to the main campground where chaperoned, organized youth groups may camp.

*“Persons with disabilities parking permit”* means an identification device bearing the international symbol of accessibility that is issued by the Iowa department of transportation or similar devices that are issued by other states. The device can be a hanging device or on a motor vehicle as a plate or sticker as provided in Iowa Code section 321L.2 or 321L.9.

*“Person with physical disability”* means an individual, commonly termed a paraplegic or quadriplegic, with paralysis or a physical condition of the lower half of the body with the involvement of both legs, usually due to disease or injury to the spinal cord; a person who is a single or double amputee of the legs; or a person with any other physical affliction which makes it impossible to ambulate successfully in park or recreation area natural surroundings without the use of a wheeled conveyance.

*“Possession”* means exercising dominion or control with or without ownership over property.

*“Prohibited activity”* means any activity other than fishing as defined in this chapter including, but not limited to, picnicking and camping.

*“Property”* means personal property such as goods, money, or domestic animals.

*“Recreation areas”* means the following areas that have been designated by action of the natural resource commission:

| <u>Area</u>                    | <u>County</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Badger Creek Recreation Area   | Madison       |
| Brushy Creek Recreation Area   | Webster       |
| Claire Wilson Park             | Dickinson     |
| Emerson Bay and Lighthouse     | Dickinson     |
| Fairport Recreation Area       | Muscatine     |
| Lower Gar Access               | Dickinson     |
| Marble Beach                   | Dickinson     |
| Mines of Spain Recreation Area | Dubuque       |
| Pioneer Recreation Area        | Mitchell      |
| Pleasant Creek Recreation Area | Linn          |
| Templar Park                   | Dickinson     |
| Volga River Recreation Area    | Fayette       |
| Wilson Island Recreation Area  | Pottawattamie |

These areas are managed for multiple uses, including public hunting, and are governed by rules established in this chapter as well as in 571—Chapters 52 and 105.

*“Refuse”* means trash, garbage, rubbish, waste papers, bottles or cans, debris, litter, oil, solvents, liquid or solid waste or other discarded material.

*“Rental facilities”* means those facilities that may be rented on a daily or nightly basis and includes open shelters, open shelters with kitchenettes, beach house open shelters, lodges, cabins, yurts and group camps.

*“Reservation transaction fees”* means fees as given in this chapter to process a reservation, change a reservation or cancel a reservation.

*“Reservation window”* means a rolling period of time in which a person may reserve a campsite or rental facility.

*“Scuba diving”* means swimming with the aid of self-contained underwater breathing apparatus.

*“Special event”* means any planned event for which attendance is solicited through advertising, invitation, or other solicitation and that may interfere with the general public’s normal use of a state park or recreation area and its facilities.

*“State park”* means the following areas managed by the state and designated by action of the natural resource commission:

| <u>Area</u>               | <u>County</u>        |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| A. A. Call                | Kossuth              |
| Backbone                  | Delaware             |
| Banner Lakes at Summerset | Warren               |
| Beed's Lake               | Franklin             |
| Bellevue                  | Jackson              |
| Big Creek                 | Polk                 |
| Black Hawk                | Sac                  |
| Cedar Rock                | Buchanan             |
| Clear Lake                | Cerro Gordo          |
| Dolliver Memorial         | Webster              |
| Elinor Bedell             | Dickinson            |
| Elk Rock                  | Marion               |
| Fort Atkinson             | Winneshiek           |
| Fort Defiance             | Emmet                |
| Geode                     | Henry and Des Moines |
| George Wyth               | Black Hawk           |
| Green Valley              | Union                |
| Gull Point                | Dickinson            |
| Honey Creek               | Appanoose            |
| Lacey-Keosauqua           | Van Buren            |
| Lake Ahquabi              | Warren               |
| Lake Anita                | Cass                 |
| Lake Darling              | Washington           |
| Lake Keomah               | Mahaska              |
| Lake Macbride             | Johnson              |
| Lake Manawa               | Pottawattamie        |
| Lake of Three Fires       | Taylor               |
| Lake Wapello              | Davis                |
| Ledges                    | Boone                |
| Lewis and Clark           | Monona               |
| Maquoketa Caves           | Jackson              |
| McIntosh Woods            | Cerro Gordo          |
| Mini-Wakan                | Dickinson            |
| Nine Eagles               | Decatur              |
| Okamanpedan               | Emmet                |
| Palisades-Kepler          | Linn                 |
| Pikes Peak                | Clayton              |
| Pikes Point               | Dickinson            |
| Pilot Knob                | Winnebago            |
| Pine Lake                 | Hardin               |
| Prairie Rose              | Shelby               |
| Preparation Canyon        | Monona               |
| Red Haw                   | Lucas                |
| Rice Lake                 | Winnebago            |

| <u>Area</u>                    | <u>County</u>         |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Rock Creek                     | Jasper                |
| Shimek Forest Campground       | Lee                   |
| Springbrook                    | Guthrie               |
| Stephens Forest Campground     | Lucas                 |
| Stone                          | Plymouth and Woodbury |
| Trapper's Bay                  | Dickinson             |
| Twin Lakes                     | Calhoun               |
| Union Grove                    | Tama                  |
| Viking Lake                    | Montgomery            |
| Walnut Woods                   | Polk                  |
| Wanata                         | Clay                  |
| Wapsipinicon                   | Jones                 |
| Waubonsie                      | Fremont               |
| Wildcat Den                    | Muscatine             |
| Yellow River Forest Campground | Allamakee             |

Use and management of these areas are governed by Iowa Code chapter 461A and by other restrictions prescribed on area signs pursuant to Iowa Code section 461A.44.

*"State park managed by a management company"* means the following area established by Iowa Code chapter 463C:

| <u>Area</u>                   | <u>County</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Honey Creek Resort State Park | Appanoose     |

Use and management of this area are governed by rules established in this chapter, as well as by the indenture of trust entered into by and among the department, the treasurer of state, the Honey Creek Premiere Destination Park bond authority as established by Iowa Code chapter 463C, and Banker's Trust Corporation, dated October 1, 2006.

*"State park managed by another governmental entity"* means the following areas designated by action of the natural resource commission:

| <u>Area</u>              | <u>County</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Bobwhite                 | Wayne         |
| Browns Lake-Bigelow Park | Woodbury      |
| Cold Springs             | Cass          |
| Crystal Lake             | Hancock       |
| Eagle Lake               | Hancock       |
| Echo Valley              | Fayette       |
| Frank A. Gotch           | Humboldt      |
| Galland School           | Lee           |
| Heery Woods              | Butler        |
| Kearny                   | Palo Alto     |
| Lake Cornelia            | Wright        |
| Lake Odessa Campground   | Louisa        |
| Margo Frankel Woods      | Polk          |
| Mill Creek               | O'Brien       |
| Oak Grove                | Sioux         |

| <u>Area</u>   | <u>County</u> |
|---------------|---------------|
| Oakland Mills | Henry         |
| Pammel        | Madison       |
| Pioneer       | Mitchell      |
| Sharon Bluffs | Appanoose     |
| Silver Lake   | Delaware      |
| Spring Lake   | Greene        |
| Swan Lake     | Carroll       |

Use and management of these areas are governed by Iowa Code chapter 461A, by this chapter, and by rules adopted by the managing entity.

“*State preserve*” means the following areas or portion of the areas dedicated by actions pursuant to Iowa Code section 465C.10:

| <u>Area</u>                | <u>County</u> |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| A. F. Miller               | Bremer        |
| Ames High Prairie          | Story         |
| Anderson Prairie           | Emmet         |
| Behrens Ponds and Woodland | Linn          |
| Berry Woods                | Warren        |
| Bird Hill                  | Cerro Gordo   |
| Bixby                      | Clayton       |
| Bluffton Fir Stand         | Winneshiek    |
| Brush Creek Canyon         | Fayette       |
| Brushy Creek               | Webster       |
| Cameron Woods              | Scott         |
| Casey’s Paha               | Tama          |
| Catfish Creek              | Dubuque       |
| Cayler Prairie             | Dickinson     |
| Cedar Bluffs Natural Area  | Mahaska       |
| Cedar Hills Sand Prairie   | Black Hawk    |
| Cheever Lake               | Emmet         |
| Clay Prairie               | Butler        |
| Claybanks Forest           | Cerro Gordo   |
| Coldwater Cave             | Winneshiek    |
| Crossman Prairie           | Howard        |
| Decorah Ice Cave           | Winneshiek    |
| Derald Dinesen Prairie     | Shelby        |
| Doolittle Prairie          | Story         |
| Eureka Woods               | Greene        |
| Fallen Rock                | Hardin        |
| Fish Farm Mounds           | Allamakee     |
| Five Ridge Prairie         | Plymouth      |
| Fleming Woods              | Poweshiek     |
| Fort Atkinson              | Winneshiek    |
| Fossil and Prairie Park    | Floyd         |
| Freda Haffner Kettlehole   | Dickinson     |

| <u>Area</u>                   | <u>County</u>         |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Gitche Manitou                | Lyon                  |
| Hanging Bog                   | Linn                  |
| Hardin City Woodland          | Hardin                |
| Hartley Fort                  | Allamakee             |
| Hartman Bluff                 | Black Hawk            |
| Hayden Prairie                | Howard                |
| Hoffman Prairie               | Cerro Gordo           |
| Indian Bluffs Primitive Area  | Jones                 |
| Indian Fish Trap              | Iowa                  |
| Kalsow Prairie                | Pocahontas            |
| Kish-Ke-Kosh Prairie          | Jasper                |
| Lamson Woods                  | Jefferson             |
| Liska-Stanek Prairie          | Webster               |
| Little Maquoketa River Mounds | Dubuque               |
| Malanaphy Springs             | Winneshiek            |
| Malchow Mounds                | Des Moines            |
| Manikowski Prairie            | Clinton               |
| Mann Wilderness Area          | Hardin                |
| Marietta Sand Prairie         | Marshall              |
| Mericle Woods                 | Tama                  |
| Merrill A. Stainbrook         | Johnson               |
| Merritt Forest                | Clayton               |
| Montauk                       | Fayette               |
| Mossy Glen                    | Clayton               |
| Mount Pisgah Cemetery         | Union                 |
| Mount Talbot                  | Woodbury and Plymouth |
| Nestor Stiles Prairie         | Cherokee              |
| Ocheyedan Mound               | Osceola               |
| Old State Quarry              | Johnson               |
| Palisades-Dows                | Linn                  |
| Pecan Grove                   | Muscatine             |
| Pellett Memorial Woods        | Cass                  |
| Pilot Grove                   | Iowa                  |
| Pilot Knob                    | Hancock               |
| Retz Memorial Woods           | Clayton               |
| Roberts Creek                 | Clayton               |
| Rock Creek Island             | Cedar                 |
| Rock Island Botanical         | Linn                  |
| Roggman Boreal Slopes         | Clayton               |
| Rolling Thunder Prairie       | Warren                |

| <u>Area</u>               | <u>County</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Savage Woods              | Henry         |
| Searryl's Cave            | Jones         |
| Sheeder Prairie           | Guthrie       |
| Silver Lake Fen           | Dickinson     |
| Silvers-Smith Woods       | Dallas        |
| Slinde Mounds             | Allamakee     |
| St. James Lutheran Church | Winneshiek    |
| Starr's Cave              | Des Moines    |
| Steele Prairie            | Cherokee      |
| Stinson Prairie           | Kossuth       |
| Strasser Woods            | Polk          |
| Sylvan Runkel             | Monona        |
| Toolesboro Mounds         | Louisa        |
| Turin Loess Hills         | Monona        |
| Turkey River Mounds       | Clayton       |
| White Pine Hollow         | Dubuque       |
| Williams Prairie          | Johnson       |
| Wittrock Indian Village   | O'Brien       |
| Woodland Mounds           | Warren        |
| Woodman Hollow            | Webster       |
| Woodthrush Woods          | Jefferson     |

Use and management of these areas are governed by rules established in this chapter as well as by management plans adopted by the preserves advisory board.

“*Swim*” or “*swimming*” means to propel oneself in water by natural means, such as movement of limbs, and includes but is not limited to wading and the use of inner tubes or beach toy-type swimming aids.

“*Walk-in camper*” means a person arriving at a campground without a reservation and wishing to occupy a first-come, first-served campsite or unrented, reservable campsite.

“*Yurt*” means a one-room circular fabric structure built on a platform which is available for rental on a daily or weekly basis.

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**571—61.3(461A) Establishment of centralized reservation system operating procedures and policies.** The department shall establish a centralized reservation system to accept and process reservations for camping and rental facilities in state parks, recreation areas and state forest campgrounds.

**61.3(1)** *Centralized reservation system business rules manual.* The department shall adopt by reference the manual titled “Centralized Reservation System Business Rules for Iowa State Parks, Recreation Areas and State Forests,” dated January 1, 2006, which sets procedures and policies for the administration of reservations of campsites and rental facilities through the centralized reservation system.

**61.3(2)** *Recreation facilities available on centralized reservation system.*

*a. Rental facilities.* All rental facilities will be available on the centralized reservation system with the exception of the group camp at Springbrook State Park.

*b. Campgrounds.*

(1) All campgrounds will be available on the centralized reservation system except for the campgrounds at A. A. Call State Park, Fort Defiance State Park and Preparation Canyon State Park and the backpack campsites located in state forests.

(2) No less than 50 percent and up to no more than 75 percent of the total number of campsites in each individual campground shall be designated as reservable sites on the reservation system. The determination of which campsites shall be included in the reservable designation shall be the responsibility of the park staff in each park. Park staff shall include a combination of electric, nonelectric and sewer/water sites while taking into consideration campsite characteristics such as location, shade and size. The department will review the percentage of reservable sites and usage on a biennial basis and determine whether the percentage of reservable campsites should be changed. A reservable campsite will be identified with a reservable site marker on the campsite post.

(3) All designated organized youth group campsites and campsites marked with the international symbol of accessibility shall be included in the reservation system.

**61.3(3) *Methods available to make reservations.*** Persons may make reservations by telephone through the call center or through the Internet using the reservation system Web site.

**61.3(4) *Reservation transaction fees.***

*a. Reservation fee.* A nonrefundable reservation fee shall be charged for each reservation made per campsite or rental facility regardless of the length of stay. The one-time fee is per reservation and is not charged per day or night. This fee is in addition to the camping fees or rental fees established in subrules 61.4(1) and 61.5(1). The reservation fee varies depending upon the method used when the reservation is made.

(1) Internet reservation — \$4.

(2) Telephone reservation — \$6.

*b. Change fee.* A fee shall be charged to change an existing reservation.

(1) Reservation change made through the Internet — \$5.

(2) Reservation change made over the telephone — \$7.

*c. Cancellation fee.* A fee shall be charged to cancel a reservation.

(1) Reservation cancellation made through the Internet — \$5.

(2) Reservation cancellation made over the telephone — \$7.

**61.3(5) *Reservation window.***

*a. Camping.* The reservation window for campsite reservations is 3 months to 2 days prior to the arrival date.

*b. Rental facilities.*

(1) Rentals for May 1 to September 30. The reservation window for rental facilities is 12 months to 4 days prior to the arrival date.

(2) Rentals for October 1 to April 30. The reservation window for rental facilities is 12 months to 7 days prior to the arrival date.

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### **571—61.4(461A) Camping.**

**61.4(1) *Fees.*** The following are maximum per-night fees for camping in state parks and recreation areas. The fees may be reduced or waived by the director for special events or special promotional efforts sponsored by the department of natural resources. Special events or promotional efforts shall be conducted so as to give all park facility users equal opportunity to take advantage of reduced or waived fees. Reductions or waivers shall be on a statewide basis covering like facilities. In the case of promotional events, prizes shall be awarded by random drawing of registrations made available to all park visitors during the event. In areas subject to a local option sales tax, the camping fee shall be administratively adjusted so that persons camping in those areas will pay the same total cost applicable in other areas.



|  | <u>Fee</u> | <u>Sales<br/>Tax</u> | <u>Total<br/>Per<br/>Night</u> |
|--|------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| <i>a.</i> The following fees shall be in effect from May 1 to September 30 each year.  |            |                      |                                |
| Nonmodern  | \$ 8.49    | .51                  | \$ 9.00                        |
| Modern   | 10.38      | .62                  | 11.00                          |
| <i>b.</i> The following fees shall be in effect from October 1 to April 30 each year.  |            |                      |                                |
| Nonmodern  | 5.66       | .34                  | 6.00                           |
| Modern   | 7.55       | .45                  | 8.00                           |
| <i>c.</i> Electricity  |            |                      |                                |
|  | 4.72       | .28                  | 5.00                           |
| This fee will be charged in addition to the camping fee on sites where electricity is available (whether it is used or not). |            |                      |                                |
| <i>d.</i> Organized youth group campsite, per group  | 14.15      | .85                  | 15.00                          |
| <i>e.</i> Cable television hookup  | 1.89       | .11                  | 2.00                           |
| <i>f.</i> Sewer and water hookup   | 2.83       | .17                  | 3.00                           |
| <i>g.</i> Additional fee for campgrounds designated for equestrian use   | 2.83       | .17                  | 3.00                           |
| This fee is in addition to applicable fees listed above.   |            |                      |                                |
| <i>h.</i> Camping tickets (per book of seven)  | 85.85      | 5.15                 | 91.00                          |

Camping tickets shall be valid for one year from the month of purchase. Persons using valid camping tickets purchased prior to any fee increase will not be required to pay the difference due to that fee increase.

**61.4(2) *Varying fees.*** Fees charged for like services in state-owned areas under management by political subdivisions may vary from those established by this chapter.

**61.4(3) *Procedures for camping registration.***

*a. Registration.*

(1) Registration of walk-in campers occupying nonreservable campsites or unrented, reservable campsites will be on a first-come, first-served basis and will be handled by a self-registration process. Registration forms will be provided by the department of natural resources. Campers shall, within one-half hour of arrival at the campground, complete the registration form, place the appropriate fee or number of camping tickets in the envelope and place the envelope in the depository provided by the department of natural resources. One copy must then be placed in the campsite holder provided at the campsite.

(2) Park staff shall complete the registration of campers with reservations and place the registration in the campsite holder no later than one hour prior to check-in time on the day of the camper's arrival.

*b.* Campsites are considered occupied and registration for a campsite shall be considered complete when the requirements of 61.4(3) "a" have been met.

*c.* Campsite registration must be in the name of a person 18 years of age or older who will occupy the camping unit on that site for the full term of the registration.

*d.* Each camping ticket shall cover the cost of one night of camping in a modern area on a site where electricity is furnished. In addition to using the camping ticket, persons camping on equestrian sites or on sites which also have sewer and water hookups or cable television hookups available must pay the additional charges for these services. Use of a camping ticket in an area or on a site which would require a lesser fee than an electrical site in a modern area will not entitle the user to a refund or credit of any kind.

**61.4(4) *Organized youth group campsite registration.***

*a.* Registration procedures for organized youth group campsites shall be governed by paragraphs "a," "b" and "c" of 61.4(3).

b. Chaperoned, organized youth groups may choose to occupy campsites not designated as organized youth group campsites. However, the group is subject to all fees and rules in 61.4(1), 61.4(3) and 61.4(5) pertaining to the campsite the group wishes to occupy.

**61.4(5) Restrictions on campsite/campground use.** This subrule sets forth conditions of public use which apply to all state parks and recreation areas. Specific areas as listed in 61.4(6), 571—61.7(461A) and 571—61.10(461A) are subject to additional restrictions or exceptions. The conditions in this subrule are in addition to specific conditions and restrictions set forth in Iowa Code chapter 461A.

a. Camping is restricted to designated camping areas within state parks and recreation areas and state forest campgrounds.

b. No more than six persons shall occupy a campsite except for the following:

(1) Families that exceed six persons may be allowed on one campsite if all members are immediate family and cannot logically be split to occupy two campsites.

(2) Campsites which are designated as chaperoned, organized youth group campsites.

c. Camping is restricted to one basic unit per site except that a small tent may be placed on a site with the basic unit. The area occupied by the small tent shall be no more than 8 feet by 10 feet and the tent shall hold no more than four people.

d. Each camping group shall utilize only the electrical outlet fixture designated for its particular campsite. No extension cords or other means of hookup shall be used to furnish electricity from one designated campsite to another.

e. Each camping group will be permitted to park one motor vehicle not being used for camping purposes at the campsite. Unless otherwise posted, one additional vehicle may be parked at the campsite.

f. All motor vehicles, excluding motorcycles, not covered by the provision in 61.4(5) "e" shall be parked in designated extra-vehicle parking areas.

g. Walk-in campers occupying nonreservable campsites or unrented, reservable campsites shall register as provided in subrule 61.4(3) within one-half hour of entering the campground.

h. Campers occupying nonreservable campsites shall vacate the campground or register for the night prior to 4 p.m. daily. Registration can be for more than 1 night at a time but not for more than 14 consecutive nights for nonreservable campsites. All members of the camping party must vacate the state park or recreation area campground after the fourteenth night and may not return to the state park or recreation area until a minimum of 3 nights has passed. All equipment must be removed from the site at the end of each stay. The 14-night limitation shall not apply to volunteers working under a department of natural resources program.

i. Walk-in campers shall not occupy unrented, reservable campsites until 10 a.m. on the first camping day of their stay. Campers shall vacate the campground by 3 p.m. of the last day of their stay. Initial registration shall not exceed 2 nights. Campers may continue to register after the first 2 nights on a night-to-night basis up to a maximum of 14 consecutive nights, subject to campsite availability. All members of the camping party must vacate the state park or recreation area campground after the fourteenth night and may not return to the state park or recreation area until a minimum of 3 nights has passed. All equipment must be removed from the site at the end of each stay. The 14-night limitation shall not apply to volunteers working under a department of natural resources program.

j. Campers with reservations shall not occupy a campsite before 4 p.m. of the first day of their stay. Campers shall vacate the site by 3 p.m. of the last day of their stay. Campers may register for more than 1 night at a time but not for more than 14 consecutive nights. All members of the camping party must vacate the state park or recreation area campground after the fourteenth night and may not return to the state park or recreation area until a minimum of 3 nights has passed. All equipment must be removed from the site at the end of each stay. The 14-night limitation shall not apply to volunteers working under a department of natural resources program.

k. Campsites marked with the international symbol of accessibility shall be used only by vehicles displaying a persons with disabilities parking permit. The vehicle must be in use by a person with a disability, either as an operator or a passenger.

l. In designated campgrounds, equine animals and llamas must be stabled at a hitching rail, individual stall or corral if provided. Equine animals and llamas may be hitched to trailers for short

periods of time to allow for grooming and saddling. These animals may be stabled inside trailers if no hitching facilities are provided. Portable stalls/pens and electric fences are not permitted.

**61.4(6) Area-specific restrictions on campground use.** In addition to the general conditions of public use set forth in this chapter, special conditions shall apply to specific areas listed as follows:

*a. Brushy Creek Recreation Area, Webster County.*

(1) In the designated equestrian campgrounds, the maximum number of equine animals to be tied to the hitching rails is six. Persons with a number of equine animals in excess of the number permitted on the hitching rail at their campsite shall be allowed to stable their additional animals in a trailer or register and pay for an additional campsite if available.

(2) In the designated equestrian campgrounds, equine animals may be tied to trailers for short periods of time to allow grooming or saddling; however, the tying of equine animals to the exterior of trailers for extended periods of time or for stabling is not permitted.

*b. Recreation area campgrounds.* Access into and out of designated campgrounds shall be permitted from 4 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. From 10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m., only registered campers are permitted in and out of the campgrounds.

*c. Lake Manawa State Park, Pottawattamie County.* Except for the following limitations on campground length of stay, campsite use restrictions as stated in 61.4(5) shall apply to Lake Manawa. Campers may register for more than 1 night at a time but not for more than 14 consecutive nights. No person may camp at the Lake Manawa campground for more than 14 nights in any 30-day period.

*d. Walnut Woods State Park, Polk County.* Except for the following limitations on campground length of stay, campsite use restrictions as stated in 61.4(5) shall apply to Walnut Woods. Campers may register for more than 1 night at a time but not for more than 14 consecutive nights. No person may camp at the Walnut Woods campground for more than 14 nights in any 30-day period.

**61.4(7) Campground fishing.** Rule 61.11(461A) is not intended to prohibit fishing by registered campers who fish from the shoreline within the camping area.

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**571—61.5(461A) Rental facilities.** The following are maximum fees for facility use in state parks and recreation areas. The fees may be reduced or waived by the director for special events or special promotional efforts sponsored by the department of natural resources. Special events or promotional efforts shall be conducted so as to give all park facility users equal opportunity to take advantage of reduced or waived fees. Reductions or waivers shall be on a statewide basis covering like facilities. In the case of promotional events, prizes shall be awarded by random drawing of registrations made available to all park visitors during the event.

**61.5(1) Fees.**

*a. Cabin rental.* This fee does not include tax. Tax will be calculated at time of final payment.

|   | <u>Per Night*</u> | <u>Per Week</u> |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| Backbone State Park, Delaware County                    |                   |                 |
| Renovated modern cabins                                 | \$ 50             | \$300           |
| Two-bedroom modern cabins                               | 85                | 510             |
| Deluxe cabins   | 100               | 600             |
| Black Hawk State Park, Sac County                       | 100               | 600             |
| Dolliver Memorial State Park, Webster County            | 35                | 210             |
| Green Valley State Park, Union County                   | 35                | 210             |
| Honey Creek State Park, Appanoose County                | 35                | 210             |
| Lacey-Keosauqua State Park, Van Buren County            | 50                | 300             |
| Lake Darling State Park, Washington County              | 35                | 210             |
| Lake of Three Fires State Park, Taylor County           | 50                | 300             |
| Lake Wapello State Park, Davis County (Cabin Nos. 1-12) | 60                | 360             |
| Lake Wapello State Park, Davis County (Cabin No. 13)    | 85                | 510             |

|   | <u>Per Night*</u> | <u>Per Week</u> |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| Lake Wapello State Park, Davis County (Cabin No. 14)      | 75                | 450             |
| Nine Eagles State Park, Decatur County                    | 75                | 450             |
| Palisades-Kepler State Park, Linn County                  | 50                | 300             |
| Pine Lake State Park, Hardin County                       |                   |                 |
| Studio cabins (four-person occupancy limit)               | 65                | 390             |
| One-bedroom cabins  | 75                | 450             |
| Pleasant Creek State Recreation Area, Linn County         | 35                | 210             |
| Prairie Rose State Park, Shelby County                    | 35                | 210             |
| Springbrook State Park, Guthrie County                    | 200               | 1200            |
| Stone State Park, Woodbury County                         | 35                | 210             |
| Union Grove State Park, Tama County                       | 75                | 450             |
| Waubonsie State Park, Fremont County                      |                   |                 |
| Two-bedroom modern cabins                                 | 85                | 510             |
| One-bedroom modern cabins                                 | 60                | 360             |
| Two-bedroom camping cabins                                | 50                | 300             |
| One-bedroom camping cabins                                | 35                | 210             |
| Camping cabin   | 25                | 150             |
| Wilson Island State Recreation Area, Pottawattamie County | 25                | 150             |
| *Minimum two nights                                       |                   |                 |

- b. Yurt rental. This fee does not include tax. Tax will be calculated at time of payment.

|   | <u>Per Night*</u> | <u>Per Week</u> |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| McIntosh Woods State Park, Cerro Gordo County | \$ 35             | \$210           |
| *Minimum two nights                           |                   |                 |

- c. Lodge rental per reservation. This fee does not include tax. Tax will be calculated at time of payment.

|  | <u>Per Weekday</u><br><u>M-Th***</u> | <u>Per Weekend Day</u><br><u>Fr-Su</u> |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| A. A. Call State Park, Kossuth County                        | \$ 40                                | \$ 80                                  |
| Backbone State Park Auditorium, Delaware County**            | 25                                   | 50                                     |
| Backbone State Park, Delaware County                         | 62.50                                | 125                                    |
| Beed's Lake State Park, Franklin County                      | 40                                   | 80                                     |
| Bellevue State Park-Nelson Unit, Jackson County              | 50                                   | 100                                    |
| Clear Lake State Park, Cerro Gordo County                    | 50                                   | 100                                    |
| Dolliver Memorial State Park-Central Lodge, Webster County** | 30                                   | 60                                     |
| Dolliver Memorial State Park-South Lodge, Webster County     | 37.50                                | 75                                     |
| Ft. Defiance State Park, Emmet County                        | 35                                   | 70                                     |
| George Wyth State Park, Black Hawk County**                  | 35                                   | 70                                     |
| Gull Point State Park, Dickinson County                      | 100                                  | 200                                    |
| Lacey-Keosauqua State Park, Van Buren County                 | 35                                   | 70                                     |
| Lake Ahquabi State Park, Warren County                       | 45                                   | 90                                     |
| Lake Darling State Park, Washington County                   | 100                                  | 200                                    |
| Lake Keomah State Park, Mahaska County                       | 45                                   | 90                                     |
| Lake Macbride State Park, Johnson County                     |                                      |  |

|   | <u>Per Weekday</u><br><u>M-Th***</u> | <u>Per Weekend Day</u><br><u>Fr-Su</u> |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Beach Lodge                                   | 35                                   | 70                                     |
| Lodge   | 35                                   | 70                                     |
| Lake of Three Fires State Park, Taylor County | 35                                   | 70                                     |
| Lake Wapello State Park, Davis County         | 30                                   | 60                                     |
| Lewis and Clark State Park, Monona County     | 35                                   | 70                                     |
| Palisades-Kepler State Park, Linn County      | 87.50                                | 175                                    |
| Pine Lake State Park, Hardin County           | 40                                   | 80                                     |
| Pleasant Creek Recreation Area, Linn County** | 37.50                                | 75                                     |
| Stone State Park, Woodbury/Plymouth Counties  | 62.50                                | 125                                    |
| Viking Lake State Park, Montgomery County     | 30                                   | 60                                     |
| Walnut Woods State Park, Polk County          | 100                                  | 200                                    |
| Wapsipinicon State Park, Jones County         |                                      |  |
| Heated year-round lodge                       | 35                                   | 70                                     |
| Unheated seasonal lodge                       | 20                                   | 40                                     |

\*\*Does not contain kitchen facilities

\*\*\*The weekend day fee applies to New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas, even though the holiday may fall on a weekday.

- d. Open shelter reservation, \$25 plus applicable tax.
- e. Reservation for open shelter with kitchen, \$75 plus applicable tax.
- f. Beach house open shelter reservation, \$40 plus applicable tax:  
 Lake Ahquabi State Park, Warren County  
 Lake Wapello State Park, Davis County  
 Pine Lake State Park, Hardin County  
 Springbrook State Park, Guthrie County
- g. Group camp rental. This fee does not include tax. Tax will be calculated at time of payment.
- (1) Dolliver Memorial State Park, Webster County. Rental includes use of restroom/shower facility at Dolliver Memorial State Park.
1. Chaperoned, organized youth groups—\$2 per day per person with a minimum charge per day of \$60.
2. Other groups—\$15 per day per cabin plus \$30 per day for the kitchen and dining facility.
- (2) Lake Keomah State Park, Mahaska County. All groups—\$40 per day for the dining/restroom facility plus the applicable camping fee. Lake Keomah dining/restroom facility day use only rental \$90.
- h. Springbrook State Park conservation education center rental. The conservation education center may be rented as a group camp facility or as an educational group facility. All rentals shall be handled through staff at the education center.
- (1) Linen service. Linen service includes bedding, pillows, towels and washcloths. The linen service fee stated below shall be charged. School groups are required to use the linen service. All other groups may elect to use the linen service.
- (2) Concessionaire. All groups that utilize the classroom building and use education center staff for programs must use the concessionaire for all meals. All other groups may elect to use the kitchenette at the fee stated below or use the concessionaire or a combination of both.
- (3) Classroom. All day use groups not utilizing the entire conservation education center facilities must pay the appropriate classroom or library fee. Overnight groups wishing to use the classroom facility for non-conservation education activities (such as quilters' meetings or family reunions) must pay the appropriate classroom fee.
- (4) Reservations. School groups and DNR camps may reserve the center three years in advance. All other groups may reserve the center a year in advance on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no reservation fee. Fees shall be paid upon arrival at the center.

(5) Damage deposit. The damage deposit shall be paid on a separate instrument from the rental fee. School groups shall be exempt from this requirement.

(6) Day use attendance fee. A fee of \$5 per person per day plus applicable tax shall be charged to all day use groups and all persons associated with overnight groups attending day functions only when they utilize the entire conservation education center facilities and staff services.

(7) Overnight rental fees. These fees do not include tax. Tax will be calculated at time of payment.

1. Kindergarten through grade 12—\$5 per person per night.

2. Adults—\$15 per person per night.

3. Families—\$160 per dorm per night.

(8) Other services. These fees do not include tax. Tax will be calculated at time of payment.

1. Linen service—\$5 per person per night.

2. Family linen service—\$160 per dorm per night.

3. Kitchenette rental—\$30 per day or night.

4. Classroom rental—\$100 per day or night.

5. Library rental—\$50 per day or night.

6. Dining hall rental, day use only—\$100 per day.

7. Dining hall with kitchenette rental, day use only—\$130 per day.

(9) Damage deposit—\$50 per visit.

(10) Check-out times for dorms.

1. Monday-Saturday, 8 a.m.

2. Sunday, 9 a.m.

**61.5(2) Varying fees.** Fees charged for like services in state-owned areas under management by political subdivisions may vary from those established by this chapter.

**61.5(3) Procedures for rental facility registration and rentals.**

a. Registrations for all rental facilities must be in the name of a person 18 years of age or older who will be present at the facility for the full term of the reservation.

b. Rental stay requirements for cabins and yurts.

(1) Except as provided in subparagraphs 61.5(3) “b”(2) and 61.5(3) “b”(3), cabin reservations must be for a minimum of one week (Friday p.m. to Friday a.m.) beginning the Friday of the national Memorial Day holiday weekend through Thursday after the national Labor Day holiday. From the Friday after the national Labor Day holiday through the Thursday before the national Memorial Day holiday weekend, cabins may be reserved for a minimum of two nights.

(2) The cabins at Dolliver Memorial State Park; the camping cabins at Pleasant Creek and Wilson Island State Recreation Areas and Green Valley, Honey Creek, Lake Darling and Stone State Parks; the yurts at McIntosh Woods State Park; and the group camps at Dolliver Memorial and Lake Keomah State Parks may be reserved for a minimum of two nights throughout the entire rental season.

(3) The multifamily cabin at Springbrook State Park may be reserved for a minimum of two nights throughout the entire rental season with the following exceptions:

1. From the Friday of the national Memorial Day holiday weekend through the Thursday after the national Labor Day holiday, a Friday and Saturday night stay is required for weekends.

2. A Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night stay is required for the national Memorial Day holiday and national Labor Day holiday weekends.

3. A Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night stay is required for the Fourth of July holiday if the Fourth of July occurs on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday.

4. A Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night stay is required for the Fourth of July holiday if the Fourth of July occurs on a Monday.

(4) All unreserved cabins, yurts and group camps may be rented for a minimum of two nights on a walk-in, first-come, first-served basis. No walk-in rentals will be permitted after 6 p.m.

(5) Reservations or walk-in rentals for more than a two-week stay will not be accepted for any facility.

c. Persons renting cabins, yurts or group camp facilities must check in at or after 4 p.m. on Saturday. Check-out time is 11 a.m. or earlier on Saturday.

*d.* Persons renting facilities listed in subparagraph 61.5(3)“*b*”(2) must check in at or after 4 p.m. on the first day of the two-night rental period. Check-out time is 11 a.m. or earlier on the last day of the two-night rental period.

*e.* Except by arrangement for late arrival with the park staff, no cabin, yurt or group camp reservation will be held past 6 p.m. on the first night of the reservation period if the person reserving the facility does not arrive. When arrangements for late arrival have been made, the person must appear prior to the park’s closing time established by Iowa Code section 461A.46 or access will not be permitted to the facility until 8 a.m. the following day. Arrangements must be made with the park staff if next-day arrival is to be later than 9 a.m.

*f.* The number of persons occupying rental cabins is limited to six in cabins which contain one bedroom or less and eight in cabins with two bedrooms. Occupancy of the studio cabins at Pine Lake and all camping cabins is limited to four persons. Occupancy of the yurts is limited to four persons.

*g.* Except at parks or recreation areas with camping cabins or yurts, no tents or other camping units are permitted for overnight occupancy in the designated cabin area. One small tent shall be allowed at each cabin or yurt in the designated areas and is subject to the occupancy requirements of 61.4(5)“*b.*”

*h.* Open shelters and beach house open shelters which are not reserved are available on a first-come, first-served basis. If the open shelters with kitchenettes are not reserved, the open shelter portions of these facilities are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

*i.* Except by arrangement with the park staff in charge of the area, persons renting lodge, shelter, and beach house open shelter facilities and all guests shall vacate the facility by 10 p.m.

**61.5(4) Damage deposits for all rental facilities.**

*a.* Upon arrival for the rental facility period, renters shall pay in full a damage deposit in the amount of \$50.

*b.* Damage deposits will be refunded only after authorized personnel inspect the rental facility to ensure that the facility and furnishings are in satisfactory condition.

*c.* If it is necessary for department personnel to clean up the facility or repair any damage beyond ordinary wear and tear, a log of the time spent in such cleanup or repair shall be kept. The damage deposit refund shall be reduced by an amount equivalent to the applicable hourly wage of the employees for the time necessary to clean the area or repair the damage and by the cost of any repairs of furnishings.

*d.* The deposit is not to be construed as a limit of liability for damage to state property. The department may take legal action necessary to recover additional damages.

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**571—61.6(461A) Vessel storage fees.** These fees do not include tax.

| <u>Vessel Storage Space (wet or dry)</u> | <u>Maximum Fee</u> |
|--|--------------------|
| Pontoon boats—eight months or less       | \$150              |
| Eight months or less (new docks)         | 200                |
| Year-round                               | 200                |
| Year-round (new docks)                   | 250                |
| Other boats—eight months or less         | 125                |
| Eight months or less (new docks)         | 150                |
| Year-round                               | 150                |
| Year-round (new docks)                   | 200                |

**571—61.7(461A) Restrictions—area and use.** This rule sets forth conditions of public use which apply to all state parks and recreation areas. Specific areas as listed in 61.4(6), 61.8(461A) and 61.11(461A) are subject to additional restrictions or exceptions. The conditions in this rule are in addition to specific conditions and restrictions set forth in Iowa Code chapter 461A.

**61.7(1) Animals.**

*a.* The use of equine animals and llamas is limited to roadways or to trails designated for such use.

- b.* Animals are prohibited within designated beach areas.
- c.* Livestock are not permitted to graze or roam within state parks and recreation areas. The owner of the livestock shall remove the livestock immediately upon notification by the department of natural resources personnel in charge of the area.
- d.* Except for dogs being used in designated hunting or in dog training areas, pets such as dogs or cats shall not be allowed to run at large within state parks, recreation areas, or preserves. Such animals shall be on a leash or chain not to exceed six feet in length and shall be either led by or carried by the owner, attached to an anchor/tie-out or vehicle, or confined in a vehicle.

**61.7(2) Beach use/swimming.**

*a.* Except as provided in paragraphs “*b*” and “*c*” of this subrule, all swimming and scuba diving shall take place in the beach area within the boundaries marked by ropes, buoys, or signs within state parks and recreation areas. Inner tubes, air mattresses and other beach-type items shall be used only in designated beach areas.

*b.* Persons may scuba dive in areas other than the designated beach area provided they display the diver’s flag as specified in rule 571—41.10(462A).

*c.* Swimming outside beach area.

(1) Persons may swim outside the beach area under the following conditions:

1. Swimming must take place between sunrise and sunset;
2. The swimmer must be accompanied by a person operating a vessel and must stay within 20 feet of the vessel at all times during the swim;
3. The vessel accompanying the swimmer must display a flag, which is at least 12-inches square, is bright orange, and is visible all around the horizon; and
4. The person swimming pursuant to this subparagraph must register with the park staff in charge of the area and sign a registration immediately prior to the swim.

(2) Unless swimming is otherwise posted as prohibited or limited to the designated beach area, a person may also swim outside the beach area provided that the person swims within ten feet of a vessel which is anchored not less than 100 yards from the shoreline or the marked boundary of a designated beach. Any vessel, except one being uprighted, must be attended at all times by at least one person remaining on board.

(3) A passenger on a sailboat or other vessel may enter the water to upright or repair the vessel and must remain within ten feet of that vessel.

*d.* The provisions of paragraph “*a*” of this subrule shall not be construed as prohibiting wading in areas other than the beach by persons actively engaged in shoreline fishing.

**61.7(3) Bottles.** Possession or use of breakable containers, the fragmented parts of which can injure a person, is prohibited in beach areas of state parks and recreation areas.

**61.7(4) Chainsaws.** Except by written permission of the director of the department of natural resources, chainsaw use is prohibited in state parks and recreation areas. This provision is not applicable to employees of the department of natural resources in the performance of their official duties.

**61.7(5) Firearms.** The use of firearms in state parks and recreation areas, as defined in 61.2(461A), is limited to the following:

*a.* Lawful hunting as traditionally allowed at Badger Creek Recreation Area, Brushy Creek Recreation Area, Pleasant Creek Recreation Area, Mines of Spain Recreation Area (pursuant to 61.9(461A)), Volga River Recreation Area and Wilson Island Recreation Area.

*b.* Target and practice shooting in areas designated by DNR.

*c.* Special events, festivals, and education programs sponsored or permitted by DNR.

*d.* Special hunts authorized by the natural resource commission to control deer populations.

**61.7(6) Fishing off boat docks within state areas.** Persons may fish off all state-owned docks within state parks and recreation areas. Persons fishing off these docks must yield to boats and not interfere with boaters.

**61.7(7) Garbage.** Using government refuse receptacles for dumping household, commercial, or industrial refuse brought as such from private property is prohibited.



**61.7(8) Motor vehicle restrictions.**

a. Except as provided in these rules, motor vehicles are prohibited on state parks, recreation areas and preserves except on constructed and designated roads, parking lots and campgrounds.

b. Use of motorized vehicles by persons with physical disabilities. Persons with physical disabilities may use certain motorized vehicles to access specific areas in state parks, recreation areas and preserves, according to restrictions set out in this paragraph, in order to enjoy the same recreational opportunities available to others. Allowable vehicles include any self-propelled electric or gas vehicle which has at least three wheels, but no more than six wheels, and is limited in engine displacement to less than 800 cubic centimeters and in total dry weight to less than 1,450 pounds.

(1) Permits.

1. Each person with a physical disability must have a permit issued by the director in order to use a motorized vehicle in specific areas within state parks, recreation areas, and preserves. Such permits will be issued without charge. An applicant must submit a certificate from a doctor stating that the applicant meets the criteria describing a person with a physical disability. One nonhandicapped companion may accompany the permit holder on the same vehicle if that vehicle is designed for more than one rider; otherwise the companion must walk.

2. Existing permits. Those persons possessing a valid permit for use of a motorized vehicle on game management areas as provided in 571—51.7(461A) may use a motorized vehicle to gain access to specific areas for recreational opportunities and facilities within state parks, recreation areas and preserves.

(2) Approved areas. On each visit, the permit holder must contact the park staff in charge of the specific area in which the permit holder wishes to use a motorized vehicle. The park staff must designate on a park map the area(s) where the permit holder will be allowed to use a motorized vehicle. This restriction is intended to protect the permit holder from hazards or to protect certain natural resources of the area. The map is to be signed and dated on each visit by the park staff in charge of the area. Approval for use of a motorized vehicle on state preserves also requires consultation with a member of the preserves staff in Des Moines.

(3) Exclusive use. The issuance of a permit does not imply that the permittee has exclusive or indiscriminate use of an area. Permittees shall take reasonable care not to unduly interfere with the use of the area by others.

(4) Prohibited acts and restrictions.

1. Except as provided in 61.7(8) “b,” the use of a motorized vehicle on any park, recreation area or preserve by a person without a valid permit or at any site not approved on a signed map is prohibited. Permits and maps shall be carried by the permittee at any time the permittee is using a motorized vehicle in a park, recreation area or preserve and shall be exhibited to any department employee or law enforcement official upon request.

2. The speed limit for an approved motor vehicle off-road will be no more than 5 mph. The permit of a person who is found exceeding the speed limit will be revoked.

3. The permit of any person who is found causing damage to cultural and natural features or abusing the privilege of riding off-road within the park will be revoked.

(5) Employees exempt. Restrictions in subrule 61.7(8) shall not apply to department personnel, law enforcement officials, or other authorized persons engaged in research, management or enforcement when in performance of their duties.

**61.7(9) Noise.** Creating or sustaining any unreasonable noise in any portion of all state parks and recreation areas is prohibited at all times. The nature and purpose of a person’s conduct, the impact on other area users, the time of day, location, and other factors which would govern the conduct of a reasonable, prudent person under the circumstances shall be used to determine whether the noise is unreasonable. Unreasonable noise shall include the operation or utilization of motorized equipment or machinery such as an electric generator, motor vehicle, or motorized toy; or audio device such as a radio, television set, tape deck, public address system, or musical instrument; or other device. Between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 6 a.m., noise which can be heard at a distance of 120 feet or three campsites shall be considered unreasonable.

**61.7(10) *Opening and closing times.*** Except by arrangement or permission granted by the director or the director's authorized representative or as otherwise stated in this chapter, the following restrictions shall apply: All persons shall vacate all state parks and preserves before 10:30 p.m. each day, except authorized campers in accordance with Iowa Code section 461A.46, and no person or persons shall enter into such parks and preserves until 4 a.m. the following day.

**61.7(11) *Paintball guns.*** The use of any item generally referred to as a paintball gun is prohibited in state parks, recreation areas and preserves.

**61.7(12) *Restrictions on picnic site use.***

*a.* Open picnic sites marked with the international symbol of accessibility shall be used only by a person or group with a person qualifying for and displaying a persons with disabilities parking permit on the person's vehicle.

*b.* Paragraph 61.7(12)"*a*" does not apply to picnic shelters marked with the international accessibility symbol. The use of the symbol on shelters shall serve only as an indication that the shelter is wheelchair accessible.

**61.7(13) *Rock climbing or rappelling.*** The rock climbing practice known as free climbing and climbing or rappelling activities which utilize bolts, pitons, or similar permanent anchoring equipment or ropes, harnesses, or slings are prohibited in state parks and recreation areas, except by persons or groups registered with the park staff in charge of the area. Individual members of a group must each sign a registration. Climbing or rappelling will not be permitted at Elk Rock State Park, Marion County; Ledges State Park, Boone County; Dolliver Memorial State Park, Webster County; Stone State Park, Woodbury and Plymouth Counties; Maquoketa Caves State Park, Jackson County; Wildcat Den State Park, Muscatine County; or Mines of Spain Recreation Area, Dubuque County. Other sites may be closed to climbing or rappelling if environmental damage or safety problems occur or if an endangered or threatened species is present.

**61.7(14) *Speech or conduct interfering with lawful use of an area by others.***

*a.* Speech commonly perceived as offensive or abusive is prohibited when such speech interferes with lawful use and enjoyment of the area by another member of the public.

*b.* Quarreling or fighting is prohibited when it interferes with the lawful use and enjoyment of the area by another member of the public.

**61.7(15) *Deer population control hunts.*** Deer hunting as allowed under Iowa Code section 461A.42" *c*" is permitted only during special hunts in the following state parks as provided under 571—Chapter 105 and as approved by the natural resource commission. During the dates of deer hunting, only persons engaged in deer hunting shall use the area or portions thereof as designated by DNR and signed as such.

|                                |                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Backbone State Park            | Delaware County      |
| Elk Rock State Park            | Marion County        |
| George Wyth State Park         | Black Hawk County    |
| Lake Darling State Park        | Washington County    |
| Lake Manawa State Park         | Pottawattamie County |
| Lake of Three Fires State Park | Taylor County        |
| Springbrook State Park         | Guthrie County       |
| Viking Lake State Park         | Montgomery County    |

**61.7(16) *Special event permits.*** Any person or group wishing to conduct a special event in any state park or recreation area shall notify the department of natural resources manager in charge of the area in advance and comply with the following procedures.

*a.* At least 30 days prior to the scheduled event, the sponsor shall submit an application to the park staff of the area where the proposed event is to take place. Application forms shall be furnished by DNR. Submission of an application does not guarantee issuance of a permit by DNR.

b. Applicants for special events shall provide proof of liability insurance naming the applicant and DNR as additional insured.

c. If the area has a concessionaire on site, sales of food and other items shall be governed pursuant to 571—Chapter 14. If a concessionaire chooses not to provide these services during the event, the event sponsor may then bring in other concession operations as approved by DNR.

d. Exclusive use. Issuance of a special event permit does not imply that the permittee has exclusive use of an area unless a facility has been reserved pursuant to 61.3(461A) and 61.6(461A).  
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**571—61.8(461A) Certain conditions of public use applicable to specific parks and recreation areas.** In addition to the general conditions of public use set forth in this chapter, special conditions shall apply to the specific areas listed as follows:

**61.8(1)** *Brushy Creek State Recreation Area, Webster County.* Swimming is limited by the provisions of 61.7(2); also, swimming is prohibited at the beach from 10:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. daily.

**61.8(2)** *Hattie Elston Access and Claire Wilson Park, Dickinson County.*

a. Parking of vehicles overnight on these areas is prohibited unless the vehicle operator and occupants are actively involved in boating or are fishing as allowed under 61.11(461A).

b. Overnight camping is prohibited.

**61.8(3)** *Mines of Spain Recreation Area, Dubuque County.* All persons shall vacate all portions of the Mines of Spain Recreation Area prior to 10:30 p.m. each day, and no person or persons shall enter into the area until 4 a.m. the following day.

**61.8(4)** *Pleasant Creek Recreation Area, Linn County.* Swimming is limited by the provisions of 61.7(2); also, swimming is prohibited at the beach from 10:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. daily. Access into and out of the north portion of the area between the east end of the dam to the campground shall be closed from 10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m., except that walk-in overnight fishing will be allowed along the dam. The areas known as the dog trial area and the equestrian area shall be closed from 10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m., except for equestrian camping and for those persons participating in a DNR-authorized field trial. From 10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m., only registered campers are permitted in the campground.

**61.8(5)** *Wapsipinicon State Park, Jones County.* The land adjacent to the park on the southeast corner and generally referred to as the “Ohler property” is closed to the public from 10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m.

**571—61.9(461A) Mines of Spain hunting, trapping and firearms use.**

**61.9(1)** The following described portions of the Mines of Spain Recreation Area are established and will be posted as wildlife refuges:

a. That portion within the city limits of the city of Dubuque located west of U.S. Highway 61 and north of Mar Jo Hills Road.

b. The tract leased by the department of natural resources from the city of Dubuque upon which the E. B. Lyons Interpretive Center is located.

c. That portion located south of the north line of Section 8, Township 88 North, Range 3 East of the 5th P.M. between the west property boundary and the east line of said Section 8.

d. That portion located north of Catfish Creek, east of the Mines of Spain Road and south of the railroad tracks. This portion contains the Julien Dubuque Monument.

**61.9(2)** Trapping and archery hunting for all legal species are permitted in compliance with all open-season, license and possession limits on the Mines of Spain Recreation Area except in those areas designated as refuges by 61.9(1).

**61.9(3)** Firearms use is prohibited in the following described areas:

a. The areas described in 61.9(1).

b. The area north and west of Catfish Creek and west of Granger Creek.

**61.9(4)** Deer hunting and hunting for all other species are permitted using shotguns only and are permitted only during the regular gun season as established by 571—Chapter 106. Areas not described in 61.9(3) are open for hunting. Hunting shall be in compliance with all other regulations.

**61.9(5)** Turkey hunting with shotguns is allowed only in compliance with the following regulations:

*a.* Only during the first shotgun hunting season established in 571—Chapter 98, which is typically four days in mid-April.

*b.* Only in that area of the Mines of Spain Recreation Area located east of the established roadway and south of the Horseshoe Bluff Quarry.

**61.9(6)** The use or possession of a handgun or any type of rifle is prohibited on the entire Mines of Spain Recreation Area except as provided in 61.9(4). Target and practice shooting with any type of firearm is prohibited.

**61.9(7)** All forms of hunting, trapping and firearms use not specifically permitted by 61.9(461A) are prohibited in the Mines of Spain Recreation Area.

**571—61.10(461A) After-hours fishing—exception to closing time.** Persons shall be allowed access to the areas designated in 61.11(461A) between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 4 a.m. under the following conditions:

1. The person shall be actively engaged in fishing.
2. The person shall behave in a quiet, courteous manner so as not to disturb other users of the park such as campers.
3. Access to the fishing site from the parking area shall be by the shortest and most direct trail or access facility.
4. Vehicle parking shall be in the lots designated by signs posted in the area.
5. Activities other than fishing are allowed with permission of the director or an employee designated by the director.

**571—61.11(461A) Designated areas for after-hours fishing.** These areas are open from 10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m. for fishing only. The areas are described as follows:

**61.11(1)** *Black Hawk Lake, Sac County.* The area of the state park between the road and the lake running from the marina at Drillings Point on the northeast end of the lake approximately three-fourths of a mile in a southwesterly direction to a point where the park boundary decreases to include only the roadway.

**61.11(2)** *Claire Wilson Park, Dickinson County.* The entire area including the parking lot, shoreline and fishing trestle facility.

**61.11(3)** *Clear Lake State Park, Ritz Unit, Cerro Gordo County.* The boat ramp, courtesy dock, fishing dock and parking lots.

**61.11(4)** *Elinor Bedell State Park, Dickinson County.* The entire length of the shoreline within state park boundaries.

**61.11(5)** *Elk Rock State Park, Marion County.* The Teeter Creek boat ramp area just east of State Highway 14, access to which is the first road to the left after the entrance to the park.

**61.11(6)** *Green Valley State Park, Union County.* The shoreline adjacent to Green Valley Road commencing at the intersection of Green Valley Road and 130th Street and continuing south along the shoreline to the parking lot on the east side of the dam, and then west along the dam embankment to the shoreline adjacent to the parking lot on the west side of the spillway.

**61.11(7)** *Hattie Elston Access, Dickinson County.* The entire area including the parking lot shoreline and boat ramp facilities.

**61.11(8)** *Honey Creek State Park, Appanoose County.* The boat ramp area located north of the park office, access to which is the first road to the left after the entrance to the park.

**61.11(9)** *Geode State Park, Des Moines County portion.* The area of the dam embankment that is parallel to County Road J20 and lies between the two parking lots located on each end of the embankment.

**61.11(10)** *Lake Keomah State Park, Mahaska County.*

*a.* The embankment of the dam between the crest of the dam and the lake.

*b.* The shoreline between the road and the lake from the south boat launch area west and north to the junction with the road leading to the group camp shelter.

**61.11(11)** *Lake Macbride State Park, Johnson County.* The shoreline of the south arm of the lake adjacent to the county road commencing at the “T” intersection of the roads at the north end of the

north-south causeway proceeding across the causeway thence southeasterly along a foot trail to the east-west causeway, across the causeway to the parking area on the east end of that causeway.

**61.11(12)** *Lake Manawa State Park, Pottawattamie County.* The west shoreline including both sides of the main park road, commencing at the north park entrance and continuing south 1.5 miles to the parking lot immediately north of the picnic area located on the west side of the southwest arm of the lake.

**61.11(13)** *Lower Pine Lake, Hardin County.* West shoreline along Hardin County Road S56 from the beach southerly to the boat ramp access.

**61.11(14)** *Mini-Wakan State Park, Dickinson County.* The entire area.

**61.11(15)** *North Twin Lake State Park, Calhoun County.* The shoreline of the large day-use area containing the swimming beach on the east shore of the lake.

**61.11(16)** *Pikes Point State Park, Dickinson County.* The shoreline areas of Pikes Point State Park on the east side of West Okoboji Lake.

**61.11(17)** *Prairie Rose State Park, Shelby County.* The west side of the embankment of the causeway across the southeast arm of the lake including the shoreline west of the parking area located off County Road M47 and just north of the entrance leading to the park office.

**61.11(18)** *Rock Creek Lake, Jasper County.* Both sides of the County Road F27 causeway across the main north portion of the lake.

**61.11(19)** *Union Grove State Park, Tama County.*

*a.* The dam embankment from the spillway to the west end of the parking lot adjacent to the dam.

*b.* The area of state park that parallels BB Avenue, from the causeway on the north end of the lake southerly to a point approximately one-tenth of a mile southwest of the boat ramp.

**61.11(20)** *Upper Pine Lake, Hardin County.* Southwest shoreline extending from the boat launch ramp to the dam.

**61.11(21)** *Viking Lake State Park, Montgomery County.* The embankment of the dam from the parking area located southeast of the dam area northwesterly across the dam structure to its intersection with the natural shoreline of the lake.

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**571—61.12(461A) Vessels prohibited.** Rule 61.11(461A) does not permit the use of vessels on the artificial lakes within state parks after the 10:30 p.m. park closing time. All fishing is to be done from the bank or shoreline of the permitted area.

**571—61.13(461A) Severability.** Should any rule, subrule, paragraph, phrase, sentence or clause of this chapter be declared invalid or unconstitutional for any reason, the remainder of this chapter shall not be affected thereby.

**571—61.14(461A) Restore the outdoors program.** Funding provided through the appropriation set forth in Iowa Code section 461A.3A, and subsequent Acts, shall be used to renovate, replace or construct new vertical infrastructure and associated appurtenances in state parks and other public facilities managed by the department of natural resources.

The intended projects will be included in the department's annual five-year capital plan in priority order by year and approved by the natural resource commission for inclusion in its capital budget request.

The funds appropriated by Iowa Code section 461A.3A, and subsequent Acts, will be used to renovate, replace or construct new vertical infrastructure through construction contracts, agreements with local government entities responsible for managing state parks and other public facilities, and agreements with the department of corrections to use offender labor where possible. Funds shall also be used to support site survey, design and construction contract management through consulting engineering and architectural firms and for direct survey, design and construction management costs incurred by department engineering and architectural staff for restore the outdoors projects. Funds shall not be used to support general department oversight of the restore the outdoors program, such as accounting, general administration or long-range planning.

**571—61.15(461A,463C) Honey Creek Resort State Park.** This chapter shall not apply to Honey Creek Resort State Park, with the exception that subrules 61.7(1) through 61.7(9) and 61.7(11) through 61.7(16) and rule 61.12(461A) shall apply to the operation and management of Honey Creek Resort State Park. Where permission is required to be obtained from the department, an authorized representative of the department's management company may provide such permission in accordance with policies established by the department.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.43, 455A.4, 461A.3, 461A.3A, 461A.35, 461A.38, 461A.39, 461A.42, 461A.43, 461A.45 to 461A.51, 461A.57, and 723.4 and Iowa Code chapters 463C and 724.

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