

571—61.5(461A) Rental facilities.

61.5(1) Rental facility fees. Rental facility fees shall be set by the department pursuant to 561—Chapter 16.

61.5(2) Varying fees. Rescinded IAB 4/10/19, effective 5/15/19.

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

2. 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.

3. 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 a lodge, shelter, or beach house open shelter facility and all guests shall vacate the facility by 10 p.m.

61.5(4) Damage deposits for cabins, lodges, open shelters with kitchenettes, and yurts.

a. Upon arrival for the rental facility period, renters shall pay in full a damage deposit in an amount equal to the weekend daily rental fee for the facility or \$50, whichever is greater. If a gathering with keg beer takes place in a lodge or open shelter with kitchenette, the damage deposit shall be waived in lieu of a keg damage deposit as specified in 571—subrule 63.5(3) if the keg damage deposit is greater than the lodge or open shelter with kitchenette damage deposit.

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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