# Recreation on Alberta's Crown land Know Before You Go



## When camping leave nothing behind.

- Keep your campsite clean and leave no garbage behind. Pack it in and pack it out.
- Dispose of human waste properly. If facilities are not available, dig a deep hole away from water sources and pack out paper and sanitary products.
- Camp 100 metres away from waterbodies.
- Ensure your camping facilities are temporary and portable.
- Camp on surfaces that are resistant to impact.
- Avoid well sites and other industrial infrastructure.
- Stay away from animal trails and berry patches.
- Use deadwood for your campfire and never cut down live trees.
- Never leave a campfire unattended and remember to soak it, stir it and soak it again.



#### Keep wheels out of water:

- Prevent damage to fish habitat.
- Prevent silt from covering fish eggs.
- Maintain clean waterways and water quality.

#### Keep distance from shorelines:

- Prevent shoreline erosion.
- Prevent damage to aquatic plants.

#### Keep away from wet trails:

- Prevent deep rutting and trail erosion.
- Maintain soil health.

#### Keep vehicles free of debris:

- Prevent the start of wildfires.
- Prevent the spread of weeds and seeds.

#### Keep camping stays limited to 14 days:

- Limit stress on the soil, vegetation, water and wildlife.
- Provide opportunity for others.



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- Plan your route to avoid water and use designated water crossings.
- Check for area and trail closures before you leave at www.alberta.ca.
- Make sure you know terrain and weather conditions so you can stick to dry trails.
- Equip off-highway vehicles with helmets, insurance, registration, licence plate, headlamp, rearlamp, and muffler.
- Contact leaseholders prior to travel on agricultural leased land.
  Visit maps.alberta.ca/RecAccess/.
- Check Albertafirebans.ca.
- When target shooting, choose an area away from roads, trails and campsites. Know what you're shooting towards.
- Tell someone where you are going and when you will return.

## Reduce your impact and stay on the trails.

- Stay on trails designated for your activity when in public land use zones.
- Share trails with other users.
- Leave all gates and fences as you find them open or closed.
- Keep your distance from wildlife.
- · Carry bear spray and know how to use it.
- Provide weed-free feed for horses.
- Graze horses away from wetlands and soft ground.
- Keep vehicles out of water bodies and wash them well away from the shoreline.





# Respect the Land

Alberta has a vast and diverse landscape filled with endless opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors in all their beauty. Whether you're a quadder, hunter, hiker or camper, make sure you know the rules before you recreate on Crown land and are ready for whatever your adventure brings.



### **Important Numbers**

General Information 310-3773

Report a Poacher and Land Abuse 1-800-642-3800

Report Wildfires 310-FIRE (3473)

Fire Ban Information 1-866-394-3473

Environmental Hotline 1-800-222-6514

### **Report Land Abuse**

If you see someone damaging or abusing Alberta public lands, call 1-800-642-3800 to report:

- what occurred
- date, time, location
- vehicle and licence plate number
- description of the person or people causing the damage
- your name and phone number

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