

Recreation on Public Land

Know before you go



Alberta



Respect the land

Alberta's crown land offers outdoor recreation opportunities for everyone. Whether you are a camper, hiker, hunter or quadder, plan ahead to ensure you know the rules of public land and are ready for whatever adventure brings.



Happy campers leave nothing behind.

- Keep your campsite clean and leave no garbage behind
- Camp 100 metres away from water bodies
- 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 campfires 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 Under 14 Days:

- limit stress on the soil, vegetation, water and wildlife
- provide opportunity for others



Be prepared for whatever your adventure brings.

- Plan your route to avoid water and use designated water crossings
- Check for area and trail closures before you leave at www.alberta.ca/public-land-and-trail-closures.aspx
- 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 leased land
- Check Albertafirebans.ca
- Carry bear spray and know how to use it
- Tell someone where you are going and when you will return



Tread softly and stay on track.

- Keep vehicles out of water bodies and wash them well away from the shoreline
- Ride 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
- Use weed-free feed for horses
- Graze horses away from wetlands and soft ground



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310-LAND

Report illegal activity, public safety incidents and enforcement concerns 24/7 in Provincial Parks and on public land to 310-LAND (5263).

Numbers to know

General Information

310-3773

Report Illegal Activity

310-LAND (5263)

Report A Poacher

1-800-642-3800

Report Wildfires

310-FIRE (3473)

Fire Ban Information

1-866-394-3473

Environmental Hotline

1-800-222-6514

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