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Dear Organized Adult Group Camping Clubs,

The Suffolk County Department of Parks is pleased to announce that the Annual Group Camping Club Lottery will take place on January 23, 2023 for the upcoming 2023 Camping Season!

GUIDELINES FOR 2023 LOTTERY

- Each Group Camping Club is allowed one (1) lottery entry, which will include a first and second choice.
- Applications for the 2023 Group Camping Club Lottery Season will only be accepted between Sunday, January 1 and Sunday, January 22, 2023.
- Applications must be submitted by using the online form. The form can be found here: <https://forms.office.com/g/KCZ4itZNze>
- All entries must be for a minimum of three (3) nights; however, a minimum of four (4) nights is required for any holiday weekend requests.
- The Lottery will be conducted on Monday, January 23, 2023 and Group Camping Clubs will be notified via email of Lottery Results.
- Payment must be submitted within five (5) business days after receiving the email confirmation of Lottery Results. If payment is not received within five (5) business days, the selection will be forfeited and made available to other Camping Groups.
- An up-to-date Group Camping Roster is required to be submitted with the Lottery Application, regardless if one had been submitted in past years. The up-to-date Group Camping Roster must be sent to SCParks@suffolkcountyny.gov no later than Sunday, January 22, 2023. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of the application and the application will be removed from the lottery.

All unpaid and unreserved facilities will be available on a first-come-first-serve basis after March 1, 2023, at which time, additional information will be available on the Suffolk County website.

We look forward to a wonderful camping season!

Sincerely,

Suffolk County Parks, Recreation, and Conservation

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ANNUAL GROUP CAMPING CLUB LOTTERY PERMIT INSTRUCTIONS & INFORMATION

Group Camping Club Lottery Applications may be submitted starting January 1, 2023 via the [online application form](#). The Group Camping Season will open as a first-come-first-serve online application starting March 1, 2023.

- GROUP CAMPING QUALIFICATIONS** – Group Camping is offered to Organized Adult Group Camping Clubs that contain a total of 7 or more family units looking to camp close together, in one large area. Multiple sites are available within designated group areas; see site capacity before applying to ensure your group will fit in the requested areas.
- GROUP CAMPING CAMPGROUNDS** – Blydenburgh County Park, Cathedral Pines County Park, Cedar Point County Park, Indian Island County Park, Sears Bellows County Park, and Southaven County Park. The Camping In-Season is from April 1st – November 11th.
- RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS** – Organized Suffolk County based Adult Group Camping Clubs are able to submit Group Camping Lottery Applications starting January 1st of the calendar year. Non-Resident based Camping Clubs must wait to submit applications until after March 1, 2023.
- LOTTERY RULES** – Only one Lottery Application is allowed to be submitted per group, indicating a first and second choice of preferred campground/group area. If more than one application is submitted, your group application will be disqualified from the lottery. Holiday weekends must have a 4-night minimum camping stay in order to be accepted. Applications must be paid within five (5) business days of receiving confirmation of Lottery Win email in order to avoid reservation termination. A Group Roster must be submitted with your lottery application. It can be emailed to scparcs@suffolkcountyny.gov and must be received in order to be considered for the lottery draw.
- GROUP CAMPING ROSTER** – The Roster is to be submitted by the Group Club Leader/Wagon Master, and should list all of the families that are expected to arrive during the camping trip. This allows park staff to properly track payment and ensure that all campers are being charged the fees according to their Green Key Card status. Any roster adjustments can be made directly at the park during your camping trip.
- PAYMENTS**– Payment can be submitted via the Online Reservation System using a credit card, by mail using certified funds, or in person using certified funds, cash, or credit. To pay online, payment instructions will be provided via email once your reservation is confirmed. Personal Checks will not be accepted.

The Annual Group Camping Club Lottery Permit Application is subject to all group fees. All cancelation requests must be submitted in writing and emailed to scparcs@suffolkcountyny.gov at least five (5) business days prior to the scheduled arrival date. Group Camping fees are non-refundable.

- ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** – Organized Adult Group Camping Club Leaders / Wagon Masters must be the only person filing for and/or inquiring about their requested event/application. Other Club Members participating in Group Camping events must contact the Group Club Leader / Wagon Master for more information, not Suffolk County Parks. The Group Event Permit Application or Cathedral Pines Activity Building Application is required to

be submitted alongside the Group Camping Club Permit Application if you are requesting additional use of Activity Building, Picnic Areas, Pavilions, etc.

Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Multiple submissions will result in Group Lottery disqualification. Groups under different names with coinciding Group Camping Rosters will be subject to review.

BASE FEES FOR GROUP CAMPING

Fee Type	Fee Amount
Non-Refundable Group Camping Club Reservation Fee	\$70.00
Group Camping Club Deposit (only refundable if 7 Family minimum requirement is met for the first night stay)	\$80.00

PARK REGULATIONS PER LOCATION

Read, Understand, and Follow the Rules/Policies regarding Group Camping trips. Note: these are not inclusive of all Suffolk County Rules and Regulations. Visit our website for further information on all Rules and Regulations expected of Park Patrons. Units shall refer to the number of individual campsites within the designated Group Area.

1. Blydenburgh County Park

- Maximum one (1) vehicle permitted at each campsite.
- Trailers, campers, and tents are all welcome. Each site is allowed either two (2) tents maximum, or one (1) trailer/camper and one (1) tent. Only one trailer allowed per individual Unit.
- Absolutely NO SWIMMING permitted anywhere in Blydenburgh County Park.
- Group Area 1 is located within the General Family Camping Sites. Designated Group Area 1 Sites: 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 34, and 35.

Site Number	Site Capacity	Water	Electric
1	15 Units	Yes	No

2. Cathedral Pines County Park

- Maximum two (2) vehicles permitted at each campsite.
- Trailers, campers, and tents are all welcome. Each site is allowed either two (2) tents maximum, or one (1) trailer/camper and one (1) tent. Only one trailer allowed per individual Unit.
- Group Areas 1, 2, 3 and 4 are located within the General Family Camping Sites on the B Field. Group Area 1 is on the opposite side of the field, with Areas 2, 3, and 4 all near each other. Designated Group Area 1 Sites: 18 – 22 & 23 – 27. Designated Group Area 2 Sites: 38 – 42 & 65 – 70. Designated Group Area 3 Sites: 43 – 47 & 60 – 64. Designated Group Area 4 Sites: 48 – 53 & 54 – 59.

Site Number	Site Capacity	Water	Electric
1	10 Units	Yes	No

2	11 Units	Yes	No
3	10 Units	Yes	No
4	12 Units	Yes	No

3. Cedar Point County Park

- Maximum one (1) vehicle permitted at each campsite.
- Trailers, campers, and tents are all welcome. Each site is allowed either two (2) tents maximum, or one (1) trailer/camper and one (1) tent. Only one trailer allowed per individual Unit.
- Absolutely NO SWIMMING permitted anywhere in Cedar Point County Park.
- Group Areas A, B, C, and D are located off of the main road in the park, near the designated Glamping Areas. Enter the park on Cedar Point Road, continue straight past the Check-in booth until you reach the fork in the road at General Family Camping Area. Turn left into the Group Camping Area; on one side of the road will be Group Area A, B, and D, with Group Area C on the opposite side.

Site Number	Site Capacity	Water	Electric
A	20 Units	Yes	No
B	10 Units	Yes	No
C	15 Units	Yes	No
D	15 Units	Yes	No

4. Indian Island County Park

- Maximum two (2) vehicles permitted at each campsite.
- Trailers, campers, and tents are all welcome. Each site is allowed either two (2) tents maximum, or one (1) trailer/camper and one (1) tent. Only one trailer allowed per individual Unit.
- Absolutely NO SWIMMING permitted anywhere in Indian Island County Park.
- Group Areas 1, 2, 3, and 4 are located on the main road in the park, parallel to the General Family Camping Sites. Enter the park on Indian Point Road, go past the Check-in Station; continue past the Picnic Area (Left Side of Road) and Parking Area (Right Side of Road) then make a right. The Group Areas will be on the Left Side of Indian Point Road, with the General Family Camping Areas across the way. *For Large Groups: Areas 2 + 3 are next to each other; Areas 2 + 4 are across from each other.

Site Number	Site Capacity	Water	Electric
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1	15 Units	Yes	Yes
2	15 Units	Yes	Yes
3	15 Units	Yes	Yes
4	10 Units	Yes	Yes

5. Sears Bellows County Park

- Maximum two (2) vehicles permitted at each campsite.
- Trailers, campers, and tents are all welcome. Each site is allowed either two (2) tents maximum, or one (1) trailer/camper and one (1) tent. Only one trailer allowed per individual Unit.
- Absolutely NO SWIMMING permitted anywhere in Sears Bellows County Park.
- Group Areas 1C and 2C are located beyond the General Family Camping Sites (Trailer ONLY Area). Enter the park on Bellows Pond Road, make the first right and continue straight until you reach the Restroom Building (past sites 57-60).

Site Number	Site Capacity	Water	Electric
1C	20 Units	Yes	1, 15-amp in Area to share between sites
2C	12 Units	Yes	1, 15-amp in Area to share between sites

6. Southaven County Park

- Maximum two (2) vehicles permitted at each campsite.
- Trailers, campers, and tents are all welcome. Each site is allowed either two (2) tents maximum, or one (1) trailer/camper and one (1) tent. Only one trailer allowed per individual Unit.
- Absolutely NO SWIMMING permitted anywhere in Southaven County Park.
- Group Areas A and B are located on the North End of the Campground. Southaven County Park operates on a ONE WAY drive system; enter the park on Victory Avenue, continue straight and make a right when you see the playground. Continue past the General Family Camping Sites until you reach the end loop of the grounds.

Site Number	Site Capacity	Water	Electric
A	15 Units	Yes	Yes
B	15 Units	Yes	Yes

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GROUP LEADER	HOUSEHOLD #	ADDRESS	EMAIL	PHONE #
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GROUP MEMBER	HOUSEHOLD #	ADDRESS	EMAIL	PHONE #
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