



# 2024 SEASONAL CAMPER GUIDEBOOK

**Brant | Byng Island | Conestogo Lake | Elora Gorge  
Guelph Lake | Laurel Creek | Pinehurst Lake**

March 30	Seasonal Campsite Licence Agreement due Copy of Liability Insurance due.
May 1	Seasonal campsite fees are due by 4:30 p.m. Late payments will not be accepted.
May 1	Conservation Areas open for Seasonal Campers at 9:00 a.m.
September 2	Seasonal campsite deposit due by 12:00 p.m. Late payments will not be accepted.
October 15	Conservation Areas CLOSE for the season. NOTE: All trailers (except Byng) must be removed from the Conservation Area by this date.

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# 1.0 Campsite Reservations, Fees & Camping Unit Storage

## 1.1 Camping Fees

- a) Utilize Visa, Mastercard, or debit for payments through the seasonal camper portal. Staff will share a link to the portal via email. While online payment is preferred, if it's not feasible, please contact the park to discuss alternative arrangements.
- b) Seasonal fees are due May 1, 2024. No late payments will be accepted.

## 1.2 Seasonal Camping Fees

- a) Fees for seasonal campsites are listed in Schedule 1 by Conservation Area and type.

## 1.3 Off-Season Storage

- a) Where applicable, a fee is charged for off-season winter storage. The fee covers six consecutive months and is detailed in Schedule 1. The fee must be paid by October 1, 2024.
- b) The storage fee is non-refundable and will not be pro-rated.
- c) Camping units can be stored in the designated area, provided the storage fee is paid.
- d) On-site storage of camping units is not permitted (except Byng Island).
- e) No camping units, structures or equipment will be permitted to remain on campsites prone to flooding or high water.
- f) GRCA may require all structures and equipment to be removed at any time to facilitate campsite maintenance.

## 1.4 Campsite Reservations

Seasonal campers can reserve their current campsite for the following camping season. This is secured with a seasonal campsite deposit.

**The Conservation Area Superintendent must receive your Seasonal Campsite deposit fee on or**

**before September 2, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.**

- a) Utilize Visa, Mastercard, or debit for deposit through the seasonal camper portal. Staff will share a link to the portal via email. While online deposits are preferred, if it's not feasible, please get in touch with the park to discuss alternative arrangements.
- b) The deposit payment will be credited towards next season's seasonal camping fee.
- c) The deposit will be non-refundable after March 1, 2025.
- d) If the deposit has yet to be made by September 2, 2024, at 12:01 p.m., the seasonal camper will no longer be part of the Seasonal Camper program, and the campsite may be offered to other campers via lottery.
- e) If fees are not paid by September 2, 2024, at 12:01 p.m., the camping unit, shed, deck, and all personal property must be removed from the campsite by October 15, 2024.
- f) The trailer will be removed from the Conservation Area by October 15, 2024, should the off-season storage fee not be paid. If the trailer is not removed by October 15, it will be removed by GRCA at the camper's expense.
- g) All seasonal sites without a reservation will become available for booking on September 15

## 2.0 Rules & Regulations

### 2.1 Conservation Authorities Act, Trespass to Property Act

- a) Campers should be aware that entry and use of the conservation area is permitted only for activities conducted per the regulations made under the Conservation Authorities Act of Ontario and the rules, regulations, and policies of GRCA. All other activities are prohibited in accordance with the provisions of the *Trespass to Property Act*. Not complying with the rules and regulations may result in enforcement actions by Conservation Authority staff or Police. In addition to charges that could be laid under the law, you may be evicted from all GRCA properties without a refund.

### 2.2 Equipment Restrictions

- a) Maximum of 2 pieces of shelter equipment plus one dining shelter/tarp per campsite where space permits. Only one piece of shelter equipment can be a tent trailer, house trailer, fifth wheel, or self-propelled camping unit.
- b) Tent(s) as the primary sleeping unit will not be permitted on seasonal sites.

### 2.3 Occupancy

- a) Only six persons may occupy the site overnight.
- b) The permit holder or their immediate family (spouse, parent, children (over 18 years), grandparent) must be among those occupying the site overnight.

### 2.4 Campsite Occupant Conduct & Behaviour

- a) Permit holders must ensure that all individuals occupying the site do not interfere with the quiet, peaceful use and enjoyment of Conservation Authority lands by other campers and conservation area visitors.
- b) Threatening behaviour by campers or their pets is unacceptable. No profanity, excessive noise or other unsuitable behaviour is permitted.

- c) Verbal or physical abuse or threatening behaviour toward GRCA staff or other Conservation Area users will not be tolerated. It will result in immediate and indefinite eviction from the campground and all GRCA properties.

### 2.5 Quiet Hours

- a) No excessive noise at any time or engaging in activities which disturb other registered patrons.
- b) Quiet hours are 11 p.m. – 7 a.m. During quiet hours, no radios, televisions, musical instruments, loud conversation, etc.

### 2.6 Visitor Hours

- a) Visitors are permitted in the conservation area until 9 p.m. All visitors must vacate by 9 p.m.
- b) All visitors are to park in designated parking areas and have a valid entry permit displayed. Campsites, including visitors, must be at most six persons overnight.

### 2.7 Property

- a) Do not deface, damage, destroy or remove any property, plants, animals or natural objects in conservation areas. This includes cutting live plants, trees, and branches and using dead wood for firewood.
- b) No person shall willfully damage public or private property, buildings or other facilities. Failure to do so may result in charges under the law and/or immediate eviction from C.A. property.
- c) Alterations or changes to the shoreline are not permitted.

### 2.8 Evictions

- a) Seasonal Campers may be evicted and their license terminated if the Superintendent believes on reasonable and probable grounds that a person from the site has:

- Defaced, removed or damaged any property, artifact or natural object.
  - Cut, removed, injured or destroyed a plant, tree, shrub, flower or other growing thing.
  - Failed to maintain the site in a clean and sanitary condition.
  - Permitted a domestic animal to be at large, make excessive noise or disturb other persons.
  - Used discriminatory, harassing, abusive or insulting language or gestures.
  - Made excessive noise or disturbed other persons in the conservation area.
  - Consumed or possessed alcohol or cannabis during a ban.
  - Contravened a provision of the Criminal Code (Canada)
  - Engaged in any other action that the Superintendent and Manager of Conservation Areas determine is grounds for eviction.
- b) Upon eviction or non-renewal of a Seasonal Camper, they shall not be eligible to be a Seasonal Camper at any GRCA campground.

## 2.9 Permits

- a) Valid camping permits or season passes must be always displayed on vehicle dashboards and be visible to staff.
- b) Altered or improper use will void the permit. The permit owner is responsible for all associated costs for lost, stolen or seized permits.
- c) Campsite permits must be displayed in the campsite post and visible to staff.

## 2.10 Alcohol & Cannabis

- a) Consumption or possession of alcohol is permitted on registered campsites only. Consuming or possessing alcohol off of your registered campsite or as prohibited by a ban may result in charges and/or eviction from C.A. property.
- b) Consuming cannabis is permitted on registered campsites and in open spaces, except on sand beaches, swimming areas, swimming pool enclosures, near splash pads and

playgrounds, picnic shelters with more than two solid sides, or other enclosed buildings. Consuming and/or possessing cannabis when prohibited by a ban may result in charges and/or eviction from C.A. property.

- c) Cultivation of cannabis is prohibited within the Conservation Area.

## 2.11 Alcohol & Cannabis Bans

- a) Conservation areas have alcohol/cannabis bans in place during certain times. During this period, the possession and/or consumption of alcohol and cannabis is prohibited anywhere within the property, including all registered campsites.

### **Brant, Byng Island, Conestogo Lake, Laurel Creek, Guelph Lake, Pinehurst Lake**

- May 16 – 21, 2024
- August 29 – September 3, 2024

### **Elora Gorge**

- May 1 – October 15, 2024

## 2.12 Vehicles

- a) Valid camping permits or season passes must be always displayed on the vehicle windshield and be visible to staff.
- b) One seasonal vehicle permit is included with the campsite fee.
- c) Up to 2 additional seasonal vehicle permits may be purchased for other vehicles, to a total maximum of 3 vehicle permits per campsite. Proof of vehicle registration must be the same address as the site owner. The vehicle may be required to be parked in a separate, designated parking area.
- d) Parked vehicles and boat/utility trailers must not interfere with the safe use of campground roadways.

## 2.13 Campsite Standards

- a) Place your garbage in the containers provided. Campsites must be kept clean and tidy at all times.
- b) No sewage or grey water is to be dumped on campsites. Please use dumping stations.

## 2.14 Generators & Solar Panels

- a) Written permission of the Superintendent must be obtained before using a generator.
- b) Only inverter generators are permitted.
- c) Continuous or prolonged generator use is prohibited, and generators shall only be operated between 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- d) Solar panels may be erected, but the total surface area cannot exceed 16 square feet.
- e) Seasonal Camper - Equipment & Building Permission Application shall be completed and approved by the Superintendent on the placement of the solar panels.

## 2.15 Music & Speakers/Sound Systems

- a) Music may not interfere with other campers' or visitors' quiet, peaceful enjoyment and use of C.A. lands.
- b) No detachable, external amplified speakers are allowed.

## 2.16 Campfires

- a) Fires are to be built in designated areas only.
- b) Campfire flames should not exceed 0.4 meters (1.5 feet) from the ground. Campfires must always be supervised.
- c) The firepit may not exceed 30 inches in diameter.
- d) Firewood shall be bought from either the GRCA or the local area to help limit the spread of invasive species and diseases.
- e) A maximum of 32 cubic feet (one face cord 4'x8') of firewood may be stored in the firewood box or stacked neatly on the campsite.
- f) Wood pallets or skids may not be used as firewood.
- g) One pre-manufactured and available firewood storage box from a retail outlet is permitted. The size of the box cannot exceed 32 cubic feet (4 ft x 4 ft x 2 ft).
- h) All firewood and firewood storage boxes must be removed from the site at the end of the season or stored inside your permitted shed.
- i) The collection of firewood from GRCA property is prohibited. Collecting, cutting,

removing or destroying any plant, tree or other living object is prohibited.

- j) The use of chainsaws is not permitted.
- k) In the event of a fire ban, all site occupants are expected to comply with the order of the Fire Chief or Fire Marshall. Failure to do so could result in fines levied by the issuing authority and/or eviction from the C.A.

## 2.17 Domesticated Animals

- a) A maximum of 3 pets may occupy a site anytime.
- b) Pets are to be on a leash not exceeding 2 meters at all times.
- c) Pets are not allowed on the beach or in swimming areas.
- d) Owners must clean up after their pets and properly dispose of waste.
- e) No pets shall be left unattended or permitted to disturb others.
- f) Any aggressive or inappropriate behaviour by any pet will result in immediate and permanent removal from the C.A.

## 2.18 Vending

- a) Vending, soliciting and advertising are not permitted within the CA.

## 2.19 Propane Cylinders

- a) Single-use (non-refillable) propane cylinders are to be deposited in the collection area found in the park.
- b) Do not put propane cylinders in the garbage.
- c) Do not deposit any propane cylinders into a blue box.
- d) Do not discharge leftover propane into the atmosphere, even if the cylinder has a device.
- e) A maximum of two 30-lb propane tanks are permitted on each trailer, and one 20-lb propane tank for B.B.Q.

## 2.20 Golf Carts, ATVs & UTVs

- a) Golf carts and ATVs/UTVs are not permitted within the Conservation Areas.
- b) Using a prohibited vehicle may result in

charges and/or eviction from C.A.'s property.

- c) All other power-assisted, low-speed vehicles are not permitted, except single-rider assistive devices and only as prescribed by a doctor.

## 2.21 Riding Lawnmowers

- a) Riding lawnmowers for recreational purposes within the area is prohibited and shall be stored inside the shed when not in use.

## 2.22 Bikes & E-Bikes

- a) Bicycles (non-motorized)
  - Are permitted on Conservation Area roadways and identified trails.
  - Individuals 17 years and under must wear an approved bicycle helmet when cycling in the conservation area.
  - Must have a working white or amber light on the front & red light on the rear ½ hour before sunset to ½ hour after sunrise or when unfavourable light conditions.
- b) E-bikes
  - Are permitted on Conservation Area roadways only.
  - Individuals riding the E-bike must be 16 years or older and wear an approved bicycle or motorcycle helmet, per Ontario's E-bike laws.
  - Must comply with the definition of an E-bike under the Highway Traffic Act.

## 2.23 Boat & Watercraft Storage

- a) Boats or personal watercraft on trailers must be stored in the designated area, and the appropriate storage/launch fee must be paid.
- b) Boats may be stored on-site with the approval of the C.A. Superintendent, providing that the storage of the boat does not interfere with roadways.
- c) All stored boats are subject to the boat storage/launch fee.
- d) Inflatable water toys must be deflated and stored when not in use.

## 2.24 Drones

- a) The possession or use of drones for

professional, personal or recreational use is strictly prohibited.

## 2.25 Water & Hydro Services

- a) All electrical power cords, hardware, and connections to the on-site service panel must be made according to the Electrical Safety Code. They will be subject to inspection by the Electrical Safety Authority. Please meet this requirement to avoid the power disconnect from the camping unit.
- b) Tampering, altering or gaining access to the service panel, which is the property of GRCA, is prohibited and may result in eviction from C.A. property.
- c) Only one connection to the on-site service panel per site. All additional connections must be made directly to a camping unit.
- d) Water backflow preventers on water taps must always remain in place and cannot be removed for any reason.
- e) The washing of vehicles and watering of lawns is prohibited.

## 2.26 Wastewater Disposal & Sewer Lines

- a) No sewage or grey water may be dumped from the camping unit except in designated dumping stations.
- b) Trailers on campsites with sewage service must maintain a secure connection to the on-site hookup.
- c) Alterations to sewer services or connections are prohibited.
- d) Trailers on campsites without sewage service must use the camping unit's existing or portable wastewater holding tank.
- e) All wastewater connections and equipment are subject to inspection by a C.A. Staff.

## 2.27 Holding Tanks

- a) Only holding tanks specifically designed for trailers may store potable, grey and black water. Portable waste holding tanks are only used to transport waste to the designated dumping station.



## 3.0 Additional Policies For Seasonal Camping

### 3.1. Site Access

- a) Campers must not attempt to deny access to the campsite by GRCA staff or its designated representatives for the purpose of campground maintenance, operations, servicing, development and security.
- b) The camper shall not access the campsite or Conservation Area before or after the camping season.

### 3.2. Permanent Residence

- a) All seasonal campers must provide proof of a separate, permanent Canadian residence.
- b) Applicants must provide a valid photo I.D. showing the permanent residence address.
- c) The seasonal trailer is not a mobile home and cannot be used as a permanent or principal residence.
- d) A camper shall not use the Conservation Areas address as their shipping or mailing address.

### 3.3. Liability Insurance

- a) All seasonal campers must provide proof of insurance with a minimum of \$2 million personal liability insurance by formal letter or certificate requested from their insurance broker while the camping unit is in a Grand River Conservation Authority campground.
- b) Acceptable insurance includes an R.V./Camper policy or other as an extension to a Homeowner, Condo, or Tenant insurance package policy. A letter from the trailer owner's insurance broker confirming all the information above will be accepted.

**Insurance policies must include the owner's name and home address, the policy period, a minimum of \$2 million liability coverage and the make, model and year of the trailer being insured.**

- c) This must be received with the application. Seasonal camping fees will not be accepted, and a permit will not be issued until proof of insurance is submitted.

### 3.4. Trailer Requirements

- a) Park models, destination trailers and mobile homes are not permitted.
  - Park models are referred to as recreational vehicles designed for temporary living and recreational use, often resembling a small home or cabin and not meant for frequent travel like a travel trailer.
- b) All camping units must comply with CSA Z240 RV Series "Recreational Vehicles" and NFPA 1192 for Recreational Vehicles.
- c) Trailer size is limited at maximum of 12.2 meters (40 feet) long by 2.6 meters (8.5 feet) wide (based on manufacturers' specifications and excluding slide-outs) or smaller as site parameters may permit.
- d) A maximum of 30 A.M.P. services is available on site.
- e) Skirting of trailers is not permitted.
- f) Trailers must be maintained, road-worthy, licensed and easily removable from the site.
- g) Removal may be requested anytime due to maintenance and/or safety concerns.
- h) Trailer exteriors are to be kept clean and free of mold, mildew and moss.
- i) All camping units must be oriented with the trailer hitch assembly facing the road and easily accessible.

### 3.5. Camping Unit Alterations

- a) Roof installations and alterations not part of the original trailer design are prohibited, except solar panel installation by a trained and certified installer.

### 3.6. Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors

- a) Campers must comply with Ontario Fire Code smoke and carbon monoxide alarm requirements.

- b) All alarms should be tested before sleeping in a camping unit and then monthly and after any absence of more than a few days.
- c) Replace alarms as required by legislation. Having working alarms in your R.V. or trailer is the law.

### **3.7. Site Surrender**

- a) Use of a campsite is non-transferable. If an owner of a trailer sells the trailer, the seasonal permit fee is not refundable.
- b) A Seasonal Camper is prohibited from attempting to transfer, lease, sublet or assign the campsite, in total or part, to another person.
- c) Subletting or renting trailers and/or sites is prohibited.
- d) GRCA reserves the right to designate which campsites are seasonal and to relocate seasonal campers to a different campsite when deemed necessary by the Superintendent.

### **3.8. Environment & Hydro/Water Conservation**

- a) Campers should make every effort to conserve electricity and water. Campers must turn off indoor and outdoor lights and air conditioners when the site is unused.
- b) Campers must maintain and repair any faulty plumbing or connections to eliminate water waste. Tap water shall be conserved to assist with water supply, and water taps should be turned off when a camper leaves the park for any period of time.

### **3.9. Exterior Fridges**

- a) Only one exterior fridge is allowed per campsite.
- b) The fridge must be compact and restricted to:
  - 90 centimetres (36 inches) in height
  - 60 centimetres (24 inches) in width
  - Maximum capacity of 73.75 cubic centimetres (4.5 cu ft)

- c) An exterior fridge is subject to the approval of the C.A. Superintendent.
- d) The exterior fridge must be plugged directly into the camping unit.
- e) An exterior fridge cannot be stored in the shed and must be stored appropriately and safely.
- f) Only energy-efficient fridges are permitted, no older than five years of age. Disposal of a broken unit is the responsibility of the camper.

### **3.10. Winter Storage**

- a) All slide-outs or tip-outs must be closed. All electrical and water connections must be disconnected and stored inside your camping unit or shed.
- b) Only the shed, firepit, and deck are to be left on the site.
- c) All decorative and personal belongings must be removed from the campsite. All on-site equipment, such as B.B.Q.s, chairs, swings, planters, toys, etc., is to be stored inside your camping unit or shed. No items can be stored under the deck or under the trailer.
- d) No equipment is to remain on-site outside and must be removed.
- e) Byng Island - Vehicles or equipment other than the camping unit - such as boats, boat trailers and utility trailers - are not permitted to remain on-site.

### **3.11. Site Standards**

- a) Campsites and trailers must always be clean and well-maintained. No skids, pallets, lumber, construction debris, etc., can be stored on campsites.

### **3.12. Garbage Disposal**

- a) Garbage must be bagged and deposited in the waste bins provided.
- b) Furniture, appliances, construction materials and hazardous items must not be disposed of within the Conservation Area.

### **3.13. Site Decorations & Furniture**

- a) Patio lights are allowed but must be turned off by midnight.

- b) All lights must be attached to the camping unit, shed or deck.
- c) Lawn ornaments of any kind are not permitted on campsites.
- d) Swimming pools, wading pools, hot tubs and outdoor spas are prohibited.
- e) Portable playgrounds, swings or similar equipment are not permitted.
- f) No permanent clotheslines permitted. Portable temporary clotheslines are allowed.
- g) All ornamentation and decoration must be on or attached to the deck, shed or camping unit only, including signs, lights, bird feeders or houses, garden décor, planters, wooden ornaments, chimes, etc.
- h) No decorations or plantings are permitted along waterfronts or shorelines.
- i) Fences of any kind are not permitted.
- j) Equipment, furniture or structures in poor condition, deemed unsafe or unsightly, must be removed from the site at the direction of the C.A. Superintendent.
- k) Gardens and plantings on campsites are not permitted. Planters and flower boxes are only allowed on the deck, shed or camping unit.
- l) No decorations, ornamentation or hammocks are permitted to be attached to trees or vegetation. Hammocks on self-supporting stands are allowed.

### **3.14. Decks & Awnings**

- a) One (1) deck is permitted.
- b) Maximum deck dimensions are as follows:
  - Width: 2.44 meters (8 feet).
  - Length: Not to protrude past the front or rear wall of the trailer (except rear entry trailers)
  - Site coverage: 18.58 m<sup>2</sup> (200 ft<sup>2</sup>)
  - Height 60 centimetres (23 inches) at its highest point.
- c) Decks must be built in sections with no single section measuring more than 1.2m x 2.4m (4'x8') to allow for easy disassembly/removal.

- d) No skids or pallets are to be used for deck construction.
- e) Railings above the deck floor cannot exceed 91 centimetres (36 inches). Railings must be spindled and must not obstruct the view onto the deck. All railing designs are subject to the approval of the C.A. Superintendent.
- f) The Conservation Area Superintendent must approve all decks for size and location with a completed Seasonal Camper - Equipment & Building Permission Application before construction.
- g) The Conservation Area Superintendent must approve any improvements to campsites (decks, sheds, etc.).
- h) Patio stones are not permitted except under trailer tires or stabilizers.
- i) A trailer/R.V. service provider must manufacture awnings attached to the camping unit. Awnings may not exceed beyond the end of the trailer.
- j) No roof structures over the deck, except trailer awning or pre-manufactured, store-bought gazebo.
- k) Add-a-room structures of any material (vinyl, canvas, wood, etc.) are not permitted. All existing add-a-rooms are to be entirely removed by October 15, 2025, to meet full compliance for 2026.)
- l) No wooden or metal additions to the camping unit are permitted.
- m) Additional decks, platforms, staircases, pergolas, terraces, or similar structures are not permitted. Any type of excavation, cement work or buried infrastructure, including electrical cords and water hoses, is not allowed.
- n) R.V. mats/carpets may be used instead of a deck, but they must conform to the same size restrictions as decks and shall be stored away when the trailer is not being used.

### **3.15. Storage Sheds**

- a) One storage shed is permitted per campsite subject to the following conditions:
- b) Sheds can be a maximum of 64 ft<sup>2</sup> and require a completed Seasonal Camper - Equipment & Building Permission Application.

- c) Size, style and location must be approved in advance by the Conservation Area Superintendent.
- d) All sheds must be commercially designed, molded plastic or vinyl.
- e) Sheds shall not be modified from the manufacturer's design.
- f) Patio stones, skids or pallet bases are not permitted.
- g) Vinyl sheds shall be taken down during the winter.
- h) Sheds shall maintain structural integrity to ensure the safety of individuals and should exhibit no signs of wear, damage, or deterioration in any part of the structure, encompassing the roof, walls, and foundation. Additionally, sheds should enhance the overall aesthetic appeal of the surrounding area in a positive manner.
- i) Clause c) and e) will be grandfathered until the shed must be replaced and shall not be moved, sold or transferred within the area.

### **3.16. Satellite Dishes**

- a) Satellite dishes are only permitted if attached to the camping unit, deck or a removable tripod/stand.

### **3.17. Flags & Flagpoles**

- a) Flag poles are not permitted.
- b) Flags may only be attached to the camping unit, deck or shed.
- c) Flags must be appropriate for public display.

### **3.18. New Seasonal Camper - Lottery**

- a) Vacant seasonal sites are assigned through a lottery process.
- b) Applicants can submit a Seasonal Campsite Lottery Application through the GRCA website, available starting on September 15, 2024.
- c) Applications for new seasonals close on September 30, 2024.
- d) Successful applicants in the lottery will have until October 22, 2024, to pay a \$1,000.00 deposit to secure the site.

### **3.19. Contractors**

- a) All Contractors must provide proof of adequate liability insurance and WSIB

coverage to the Superintendent prior to entry to the area (pre-qualified as per the GRCA process).

- b) Seasonal Campers must register any outside contractors performing work on their camping unit/campsite at least 24 hours in advance.
- c) Staff must be provided with the contractor's name, job description, and expected date/time.

### **3.20. Docks**

- a) For 2024 and 2025, only Seasonal Campers with a valid permit at Brant & Byng Island may have a single dock. Responsibility for safety, structural soundness and maintenance shall rest entirely with the dock owner.
- b) Docks are to be used exclusively by the owner and cannot be shared, sub-let or co-owned.
- c) The Seasonal Waterfront Dock Request form must be completed and approved by the Superintendent prior to dock installation.
- d) Docks must have less than or equal:
  - 2 meters (6 ft.) of shoreline contact area
  - 15 sq. meters (161 sq. ft.) of surface decking.
- e) A solar or battery-powered light to illuminate the dock during dark hours is recommended.
- f) The dock must be temporary and shall be designed to float or be supported by wooden, steel, or plastic pilings.
- g) Crib foundations or solid core structures made of cement or steel will not be permitted.
- h) The dock must be tethered or anchored above the high-water mark on the campsite to prevent it from becoming a drifting hazard.
- i) Boat lifts are not allowed.
- j) Materials to be used:
  - Only construction materials not listed under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA) as hazardous waste are to be used. All materials must be suitable for processing by an approved recycling facility or can be disposed of at any disposal facility.

- Plastic barrels may be used, provided they do not contain chemical residue. Steel drums, Styrofoam, and foam will not be permitted.
- k) Wood products treated with copper, chromium or arsenic can no longer be placed where they are directly in contact with water. Docks may not be stained or painted while in the water. The dock may only be in the water during the seasonal camping season timeframe.
- l) Seasonal Campers are permitted to have one motorized boat or two personal watercrafts at the dock but not a combination thereof.
- m) All dock components must be removed before October 15 and stored in the designated storage area specified by the Superintendent. Failure to remove all components will result in the forfeiture of your dock installation privileges.
- n) Docks that do not conform to GRCA specifications or that are deemed unsafe or acceptable to the Superintendent or designate, shall be removed immediately. Any costs associated with the removal or cleanup of the docks incurred by the GRCA will be passed on to the permit holder.



## OUR VALUES

**Resilience**  
**Collaboration**  
**Innovation**  
**Courage**  
**Respect**



## Schedule 1 – 2024 Seasonal Camping Rates

Conservation Area	2024 HST Included
<b>Brant</b>	
Unserviced	\$2,259.00
Premium unserviced (waterfront)	\$2,777.00
Serviced (water only)	\$2,420.00
Standard serviced	\$3,063.00
Premium serviced (EWS)	\$3,633.00
<b>Byng</b>	
Premium serviced-water only (waterfront)	\$2,820.00
Premium serviced (waterfront)	\$3,670.00
Unserviced	\$2,259.00
Serviced	\$3,224.00
Serviced (water only)	\$2,420.00
<b>Conestogo</b>	
Unserviced	\$2,259.00
Serviced	\$2,779.00
<b>Elora</b>	
Serviced (sewer)	\$3,633.00
Serviced	\$3,063.00
<b>Guelph</b>	
Serviced	\$3,063.00
Premium unserviced (waterfront)	\$2,777.00
<b>Laurel Creek</b>	
Serviced	\$3,063.00
<b>Pinehurst</b>	
Unserviced	\$2,259.00
Serviced	\$3,063.00
<b>Additional Fees</b>	
Additional vehicle	\$115.00
Seasonal deposit – returning seasonal camper	\$250.00
Seasonal deposit – new seasonal camper	\$1,000.00

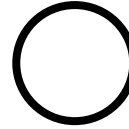
## Schedule 2 – Typical Site Layout

Please ask the Superintendent to visit your site to ensure proper set up

Roadway

Trailer parked on pad with tongue at road and accessible.

**Firepit**  
Max 30



**Trailer (camping unit)**

Max length 40 ft  
Max width 8.5 ft  
without slides

Do not alter the physical makeup of site (e.g. tree trimming)



**Deck**  
Max size 200 sq. ft  
Max width 8 ft  
Max sections

**Approval is required before building or modifications can be made on the site.**

Sewage cart to remove waste.



**Firewood Box**  
Max size 32 cubic feet

**Shed**  
Max size 64 sq. ft

Ensure that all electrical cords, plugs, etc., conform to the Electrical Safety Authority and are not buried.  
No extension cords.



# Seasonal Camper - Equipment & Building Permission Application

Conservation Area Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Campsite #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. CAMPING UNIT

The camping unit shall not exceed the length permitted or the electrical service provided on the site.

Camping Unit Type (check one)

- Camping Trailer  Fifth Wheel  Truck Camper  Motor Home  Tent Trailer

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Trailer /R.V.: \_\_\_\_\_ License Plate #: \_\_\_\_\_

Electrical Service Rating (amp)  15 amp  30 amp  Other \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. STRUCTURES

- STORAGE SHED – Maximum area 64 sq. ft (e.g. 8 ft x 8 ft), no electricity to sheds.**

Dimensions (feet) Length \_\_\_\_\_ x Width \_\_\_\_\_ x Height \_\_\_\_\_ Area (square feet) \_\_\_\_\_

- DECK – Maximum size 200 sq. ft (Not longer than trailer, maximum width 8 ft)**

Dimensions (feet) Length \_\_\_\_\_ x Width \_\_\_\_\_ x Height \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Sections \_\_\_\_\_

Material  Wood  Carpet  Other \_\_\_\_\_ Railing  Yes  No

- FIREWOOD BOX – Maximum capacity 32 cubic feet (e.g. 4 ft x 4ft x 2 ft)**

Dimensions (feet) Length \_\_\_\_\_ x Width \_\_\_\_\_ x Height \_\_\_\_\_ Capacity (cubic feet) \_\_\_\_\_

- OTHER STRUCTURE (e.g. Solar Panels, Fridge, etc.)** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: A detailed site plan must be submitted with application.**

- DESIGN APPROVED**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

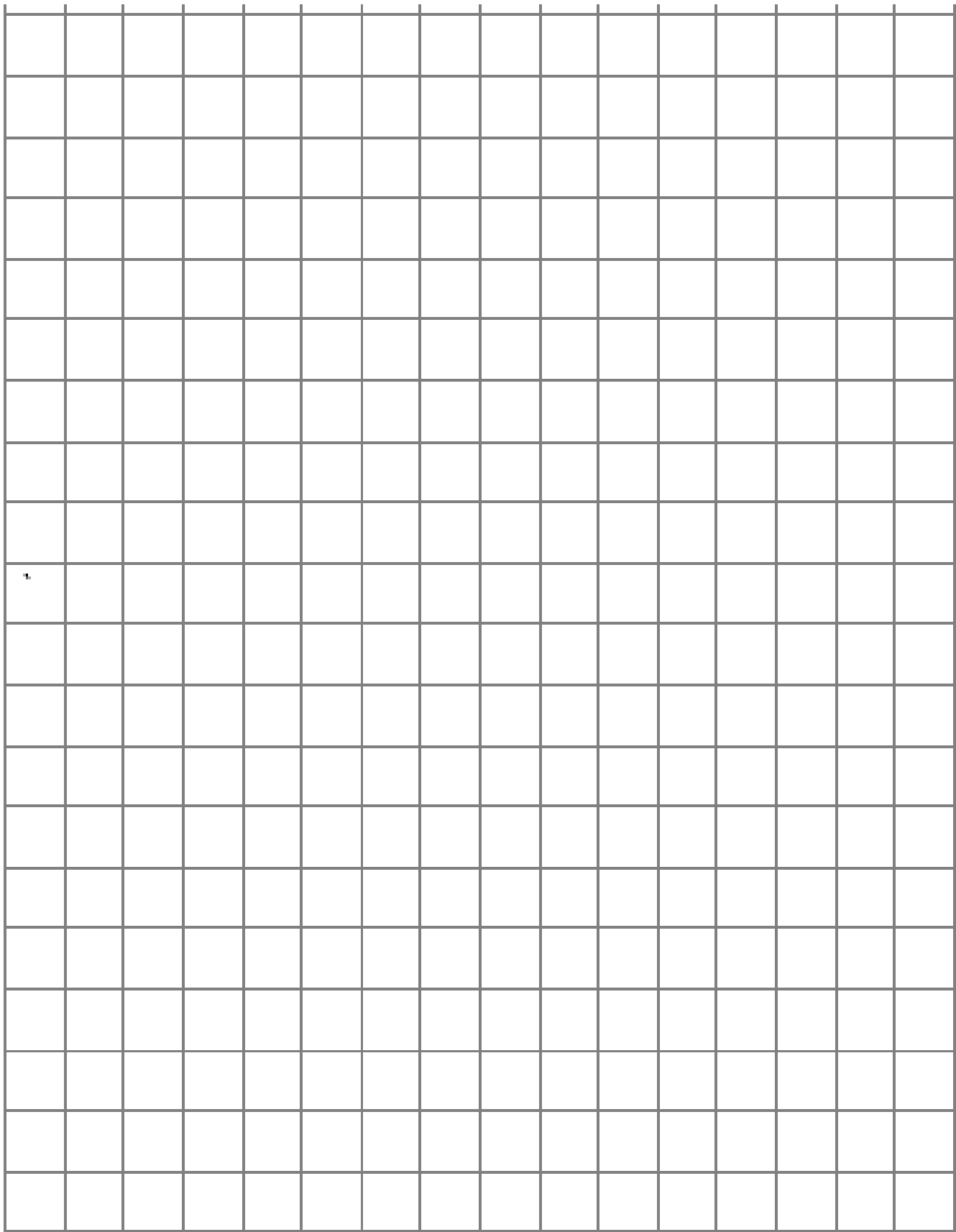
- COMPLETED PROJECT RE-INSPECTION**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please sketch out your campsite, identifying the front of campsite, location of trailer, shed, deck and other features on-site (e.g., firewood box, etc.) along with component dimensions.





#### Schedule 4 – Seasonal Camper Guidebook Compliance Dates

Existing seasonal campsites must comply with the section-specific deadlines outlined in the table below. Full adherence to the guidebook is required by October 15, 2025, unless otherwise specified.

<b>Section</b>	<b>Guideline</b>	<b>Compliance Date</b>
2.23	Propane Cylinders	May 1, 2024
2.24	Bikes & E-bikes	May 1, 2024
3.9	Exterior Fridges	May 1, 2024
3.10	Winter Storage	October 15, 2024
3.11	Site Standards	October 15, 2024
3.13	Site Decorations & Furniture	October 15, 2024
3.16	Satellite Dishes	October 15, 2024
3.17	Flags & Flagpoles	October 15, 2024
2.15	Generators	October 15, 2025
2.17	Campfires & Firewood	October 15, 2025
3.14	Decks	October 15, 2025
3.14	Patio Stones	October 15, 2025
3.14	Awnings & Roofs	October 15, 2025
3.14	Add-a-room	October 15, 2025
3.15	Storage Shed (size & Qty)	October 15, 2025
3.4	Trailer Requirements	October 15, 2025