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Public Campground & Day Use Area
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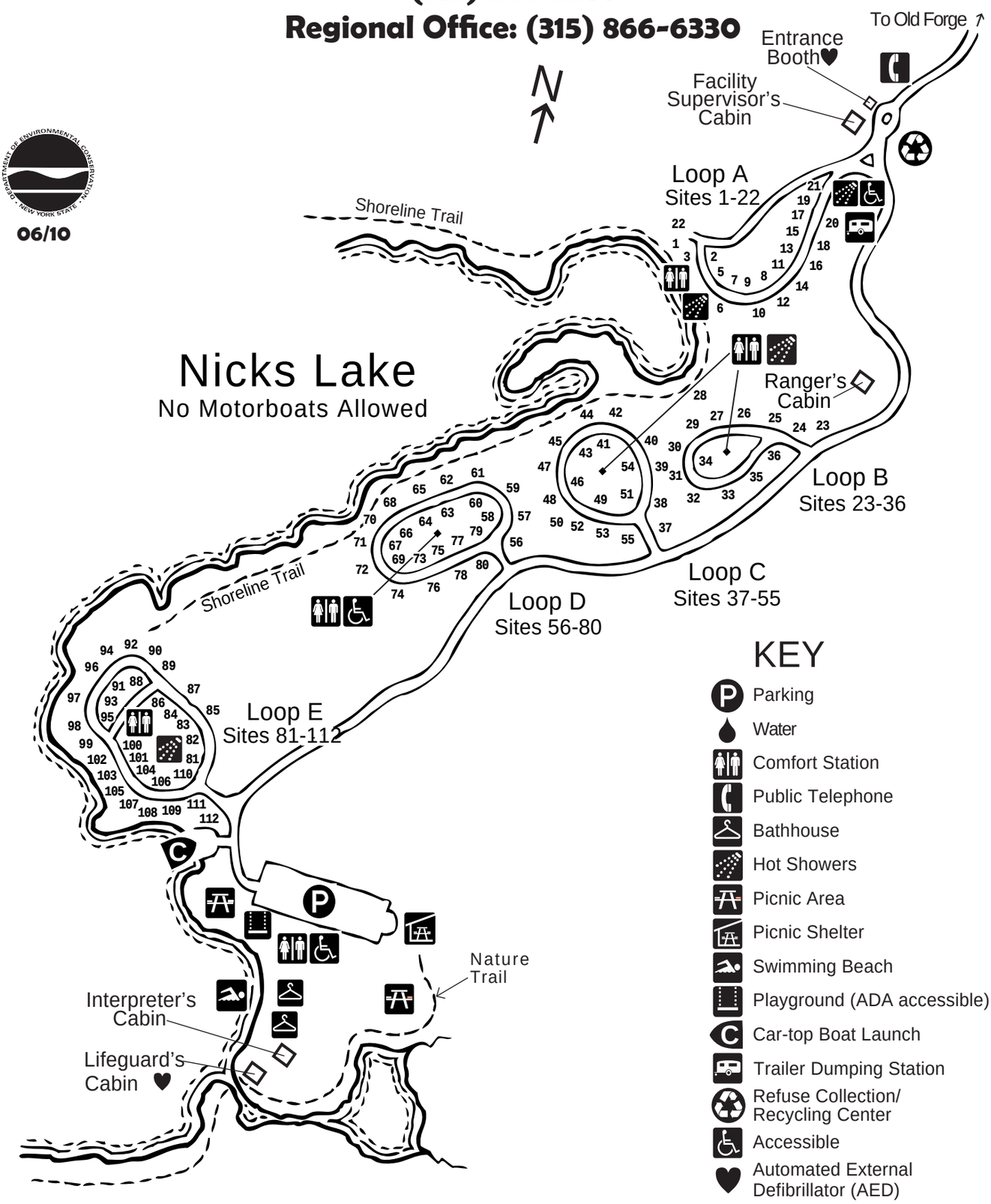

FACILITIES AVAILABLE

112 Tent & Trailer Sites
Hot Showers
Flush Toilets
Trailer Dump Station
Recycling Center
Picnic Area
Picnic Pavilion
Sand Beach
Swimming Area
Hiking Trails
Playground
Nature Trail

ACTIVITIES

Swimming
Hiking
Fishing
Bicycling
Volleyball
Basketball
Softball

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WHEN YOU ARRIVE - Anyone entering a public campground for any reason must register and pay the appropriate fee. You must sign for your own site. No one may purchase a site for you. Have your equipment with you and be ready to camp when you register. Current fees will always be posted at the registration booth.

CHECK-IN TIME - Is from 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m. Campers must register for their campsite by 9:00 p.m. on the first night of their reservation or the campsite will be subject to rental and all fees will be forfeited.

CHECK-OUT TIME - Is 11:00 a.m. on your permit expiration date.

EQUIPMENT - Must be set up on the dirt portion of the campsite only.

OCCUPANCY - Is limited to 6 individuals per campsite and two tents or one unit of hard wheeled camping equipment and one tent. Only two vehicles are permitted on any individual campsite. Extra vehicles will be required to park in a designated area (additional fees will apply).

AGE REGULATIONS - Every campsite must be registered and occupied by a responsible person 18 years of age or older.

LENGTH OF STAY - Your camping permit can be issued for a maximum of two weeks. From July 1 through Labor Day, only 14 cumulative nights of camping will be permitted at any campground. The 14 day limit may be extended depending upon site availability. This is to ensure that new campers can enjoy their right to camp.

QUIET HOURS - Are from 10 p.m. until 7 a.m., and are strictly enforced. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated by both the campground staff and your fellow campers. Violators of this policy may be evicted.

GENERATORS - The use of generators is limited to no more than five hours per day and fall between the hours of 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily. If the use of a generator is deemed unreasonably loud by staff, an individuals's use of the generator may be limited and/or prohibited.

FIRES - Must be built in fireplaces provided. Only dead and down wood may be used for fuel. No chainsaws are allowed in campgrounds, and cutting down trees, alive or dead is prohibited. Please do not use fireplaces as chopping blocks. Burning trash is prohibited.

FIREARMS - Are not allowed in campgrounds except during the Fall and Spring hunting seasons. Firearms must not be discharged within campground boundaries at any time.

FISHING - Please note that a New York State fishing license is required for anyone over the age of 16. Licenses are **NOT** available for purchase at any of the DEC campgrounds.

SWIMMING - Is allowed at campgrounds with supervised bathing areas during designated hours when a lifeguard is on duty. Please note that there may be times when lifeguards are unavailable, and for the safety of our customers these beaches will not be open and swimming will be prohibited. Not all campground locations offer swimming, to inquire please contact the campground directly.

PROHIBITED - At all campground beaches: Athletic games, alcoholic beverages, glass containers, underwater swimming gear, inflatable devices and beach balls.

PETS - Are allowed with proof of a currently valid rabies vaccination. Campers can walk dogs on a leash no longer than six feet as long as the animal is under control. Dogs cannot be left unattended and are not allowed in facility structures, on the beach or in day use areas. You are responsible for cleaning up after your pet. **Exceptions to the pet policy are - Lake George Islands where dogs are prohibited on any of the islands, docks and on vessels moored at docks AND Rogers Rock where dogs are prohibited on Temple Knoll Island, Flirtation Island and the Waltonian Island campsites.** For patrons at Luzerne and Bear Spring Mountain proof of current negative coggins certificate is required for all horses entering the campgrounds. Out-of-state horse owners will be required to produce a 30-day health certificate. Patrons must carry each horse's health papers with them at all times.

SPEED LIMIT - Within campgrounds is 15MPH.

BOATS - Of all kinds must be equipped with an approved flotation device for each person aboard.

NATURE RECREATION PROGRAM - From early July through Labor Day a number of DEC campgrounds offer organized environmentally based education programs and activities. The types of activities offered include: hikes, crafts, games and live entertainment. Not all campgrounds offer this program. To inquire if programs are available contact the campground directly or go to www.dec.ny.gov and search for "Nature Recreation Program".

JUNIOR NATURALIST PROGRAM - This popular program is for children ages 5 to 12. Each child receives a Junior Naturalist Journal full of individual and family activities. The journal must be completed at the campground at which time the child will be presented with an embroidered patch. Not all campgrounds offer this program. To inquire if programs are available contact the campground directly or go to www.dec.ny.gov and search for "Junior Naturalist Program".

PLEASE DO NOT - Remove or disturb plants, animals, fossils or rocks. They should be left for all to enjoy.

RECYCLING - Please check with the campground about local recycling rules and regulations.

RESERVATIONS - For all Department of Environmental Conservation campgrounds are available by calling 1-800-456-CAMP (2267) or online at www.reserveamerica.com.

RABIES WARNING - Please do not feed, attract, or harass raccoons or other wildlife. Please place ALL garbage in the dumpsters. Wild animals become a problem when they grow accustomed to people and our food. If you notice any animals that appear ill, or are acting in a strange manner contact the campground staff immediately. Report any bites, scratches, or other contact with a wild or domestic animal to campground staff immediately.