



## Stay Safe Outdoors – Camping at Ohio State Parks

Welcome to Ohio State Parks! Due to new COVID-19 guidelines, our campers will notice that Ohio State Park campgrounds look different as some facilities will remain closed indefinitely.

***All overnight guests will be asked to strictly adhere to guidelines developed for camping by the Ohio Department of Health and/or local health departments.***

### COVID-19 Campground Protocols

- Visitors will be asked to cancel reservations if anyone in their group is sick or exhibiting signs of the coronavirus.
- Overnight guests must practice “self-contained” camping wherever possible as some facilities, such as restrooms and showerhouses, may be limited.
- Only one family household may occupy a campsite. All guests must be registered upon arrival and no visitors or additional vehicle passes will be allowed.
- Trash disposal may be limited so campers are asked to pack additional trash bags and carry out their trash when leaving.
- Please refrain from gathering in groups of more than 10.
- Please leave at least 6 ft. of distance between you and campers from other sites during your entire camping stay.
- If COVID-19 guidelines are disregarded, guests may be asked to leave the campground and forfeit all fees.
- At some facilities, such as marinas, guests may be asked to wear a face covering.

COVID-19 campground protocols are also in place for our facilities, such as:

- Staff will be required to wear face coverings while indoors and interacting with guests, unless they are exempted due to safety concerns.
- Whenever possible, check-in procedures will be streamlined to reduce face-to-face interaction.
- Regular maintenance and disinfection schedules will be meticulously followed on all “touch” areas, such as restrooms and waste stations.

### Limited Campground Facilities

Campsites will continue to offer guests fire rings and picnic tables along with vehicle parking. Each campground will offer at least one open restroom, however, some showerhouses may be closed.

State park offices are open to customers for phone and email inquiries; however, they will remain closed to foot traffic. **Please contact the park office at 330-296-3239 for any questions related to your camping stay. To report an emergency, please dial #ODNR.**

It is important that overnight guests understand that many facilities, which are currently closed, will remain closed in accordance with current state health orders. Current closures include, but may not be limited to:

- Camp stores and commissaries
- Nature centers (naturalist programming is suspended) and amphitheaters
- Picnic shelterhouses
- Playgrounds and various ball courts
- Pools and splashpads

Visitors will find that hiking trails, beaches, boat ramps and fishing piers remain open. Both traditional golf courses and disc golf courses will be open, but the number of participants may be limited.

For more information on COVID-19 and ODH's recommendations on prevention and preparation, please visit [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov).

## West Branch State Park Operations Update

Because of the new protocols in place and to provide the safest experience for our guests and staff, there will be temporary changes at West Branch State Park. We must make these changes to meet the requirements of the new protocols and we appreciate everyone's cooperation as we work together to provide the safest experience possible. While it will be disappointing that many of our facilities and activities will not be available, we will still be working hard to still provide you with a great camping experience. We appreciate everyone's cooperation at this time and if you have any questions please let us know.

**Camp Office**-Staff will be working periodically in the Camp Store. As these hours vary by the day of the week we will post a sign in the restroom/showerhouse and outside the Camp Store. The doors will be closed but staff will be able to assist you at the window or you can call 330-296-3239 for assistance. For after-hours emergencies or to contact an ODNR officer, please call #ODNR from your mobile phone. Additionally, we have Camp Hosts who are available to assist with questions.

### **Facility Closures-The following facilities are closed indefinitely**

- Camp Store/Life Jacket Loaner Program
- All nature programs
- All playgrounds
- Basketball and volleyball courts
- Picnic Shelters
- Additionally, several restrooms around the park are closed.
- Water fountains
- Amphitheatre
- Friends Building

**Restrooms/ Shower Houses**-There will be changes to our shower houses so that we can facilitate the required cleaning as we operate during this time. We understand this may change your normal routine, but we appreciate your cooperation as we work to provide the safest environment possible.

- We ask that you enter the building through the front entrance.
- To facilitate proper cleaning the shower houses will have periodic times when they are closed. If you come to a restroom/showerhouse that is closed please use the next closest structure as we will only have one closed at a time.
- We will have an occupancy limitation for the restrooms. We ask that no more than 5 persons on each side of each men's and women's restroom at any time).

**Parking**-Please do not park vehicles in the grass. If you need to park an extra vehicle you may use any of our overflow lots.

**Local Businesses**-Many of our local businesses are open and look forward to welcoming you. Please be mindful that they are operating under new protocols and requirements.

**Camp Hosts**- Camp hosts are available after hours and are there to help. Feel free to ask them if you need assistance. We ask that you respect camp hosts and practice social distancing when interacting with them.

Thank you again for your cooperation as we navigate these difficult times together. Please be safe and enjoy your visit.

# WELCOME TO WEST BRANCH STATE PARK

Park Office 330-296-3239

ODNR Dispatch 614-799-9538

## PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES TO HELP YOU HAVE A SAFE & ENJOYABLE VISIT

**Check-in / Check-out:** All check in will be done through the drive-in window. Check-in time is at 3:00 p.m. and check-out time is at 1:00 p.m. at which time all camping equipment and vehicles must be removed from the site.

**Camp Store:** At this time the store will remain closed. Ice, firewood and other items can be found at many nearby merchants.

**Restrooms:** Restrooms will be cleaned regularly and we ask that a distance of 6 feet be maintained while using all shower house and other common facilities. Masks are recommended to the extent possible.

**Construction areas:** We are undergoing an upgrade to several of our campsites. Please respect the marked areas and stay off of all equipment. These sites should be ready for full-hook-up use by the end of the season. Construction typically takes place Mon.-Thurs. 7:00am – 5:00pm!

**Registration Age:** Campers under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult or furnish a permission slip from parents or guardians with required information.

**Maximum Amount of People Per Site:** Six people per site maximum.

**Tent Camping:** Up to three tents are permitted per site without a camping vehicle or two tents per site with a camping vehicle. All camping units must be 5' apart and 5' from the road. Please camp only in the designated areas, not beyond which may encroach on adjacent campsites.

**Alcohol:** Alcohol is permitted at your campsite only. All other Ohio Revised Code intoxicating beverage rules apply.

**Campsite Parking Per Site:** Campsites are permitted to have a maximum of two vehicles as space allows. For safety purposes, all parked vehicles must be kept clear of the roadway. There is also no parking on the grass, parking your boat trailer on the grass is permitted.

**Visitors / Quiet Hours:** At this time visitors are not able to come to the campground. We apologize for any inconvenience. Registered campers are responsible for maintaining quiet hours between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.

**Greywater:** Dishwater must be disposed of in wastewater drains or dump station.

**Blackwater:** Toilet wastewater must be disposed of at the waste dump station.

**Pets:** Pets are permitted on all sites. Pets are not permitted in any buildings or shower houses except for service animals. Unless in designated areas, PETS MUST BE ON A LEASH and under control, at all times. Pet owners should be prepared to show proof of vaccinations. Please be responsible pet owners and pick up after your pet and do not leave your pet unattended.

**Collecting:** Collecting of plants, or the cutting or gathering of trees or dead wood is against the law. Keep all fires contained to the fire ring.

**Firearms / Fireworks:** Use of firearms is prohibited in the campground. Fireworks are prohibited.

**Trash:** Please be kind to your natural resources. Please do not leave trash in the fire rings or on your site. Dumpsters are located at throughout the campground for your convenience.

**Motorized Vehicles and Battery-Operated Carts:** Any battery operated and motorized vehicles/carts without valid registration and license plates are prohibited in the campground, unless it is for medical use only. No drones are permitted in the campground.

**FOR EMERGENCIES – DIAL 911 FOR NON-EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE – DIAL #ODNR**

# West Branch State Park Campground

5570 Esworthy Road  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266

(330) 296-3239 - Camp Office

## Camping Area 3

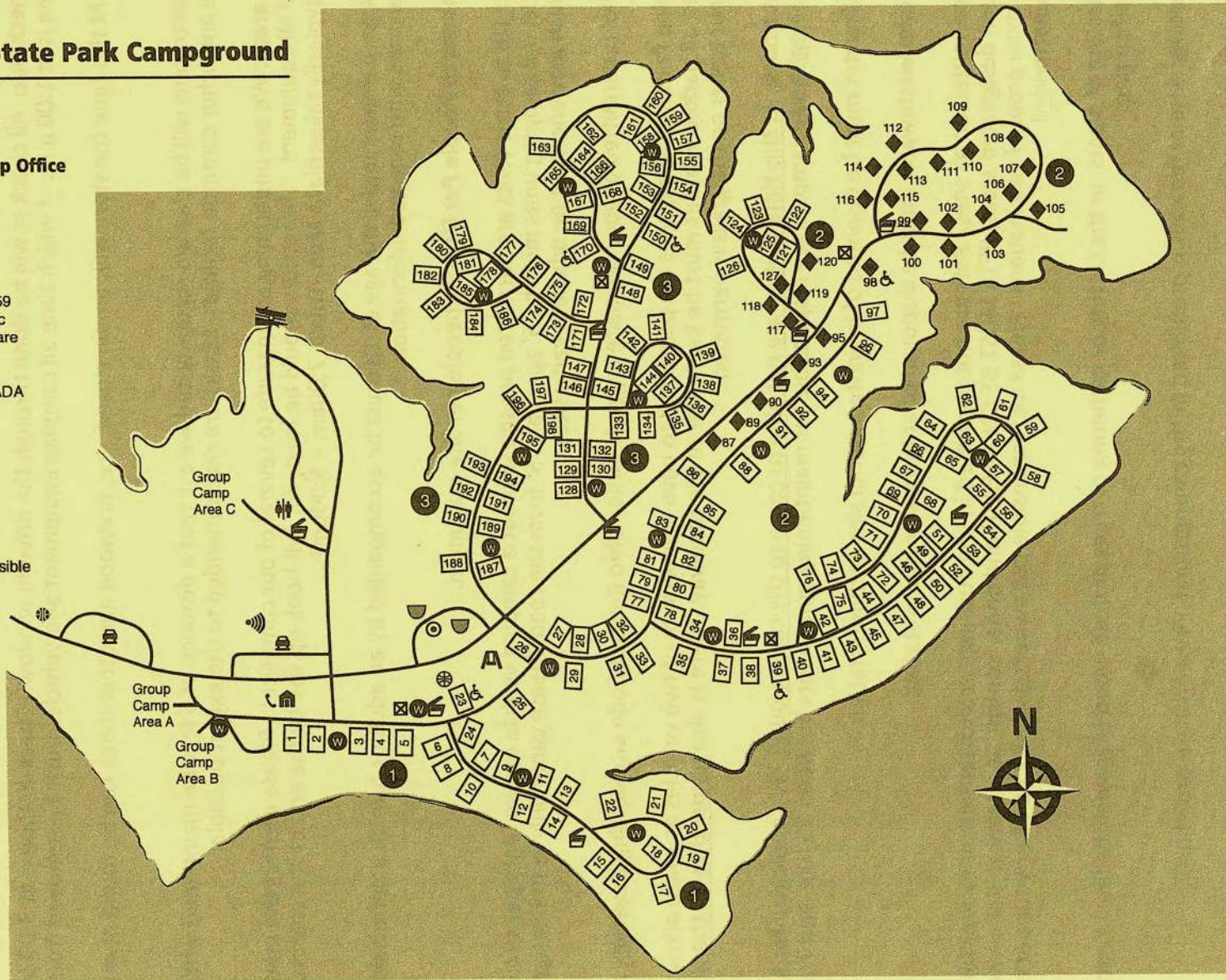
- Sites 128-132, 146-159 & 161-196 are electric
- Sites 133-145 & 160 are non-electric
- Pets are permitted
- Sites 150 & 170 are ADA accessible

## Camping Area 1

- All sites are electric
- Pets are permitted
- Site 23 is ADA accessible

## Camping Area 2

- All sites are electric
- Sites 87, 89, 90, 93, 95 & 98-120 are full service (electric, water & sewer hook-ups)
- Pets are permitted on all sites.
- Sites 39 & 98 are ADA accessible



## LEGEND

	Camp Office
	Full-Service Site
	ADA Accessible
	Pit Latrine
	Showerhouse/Restrooms
	Water
	Drinking Water
	Pay Phone
	Amphitheater
	Playground
	Basketball
	Sand Volleyball
	Dumpster
	Dump Station