

Yellow Pine Administrative Campground Rules and Regulations

Facilities

Fire Rings Picnic Tables Vault Toilets Food Storage Lockers Mobile Water Tanks
Lantern Poles Recycling Bins Dumpsters Grills 4000' elevation

Campground Rules and Regulations

1. All campsites:
 - a. **Wildlife Alert!** Black bears, raccoons, and other wildlife are common visitors in this campground. Special precautions are essential to protect your property and the bears and other wildlife.
 - i. **Remove ALL food and scented articles (including soap, toiletries, etc.) from your vehicles**, and store them in the bear-proof food lockers. Make sure the lockers are properly latched. Bears recognize ice chests as a source of food and will break into your vehicle to get them.
 - ii. NEVER keep food or scented articles in your tent.
 - iii. Put away food, wash dishes, and clean up all dropped food as soon after eating as possible. Do not put food scraps in the fire pit. **Food that is not in storage lockers should never be more than an arm's length away from you.** Remember to remove food and scented items from backpacks and pockets and store properly.
 - iv. Make sure all garbage is deposited in animal-resistant dumpsters before you leave the campground or retire for the night.
 - v. Do not over-stuff trash cans or leave garbage bags outside of them. If the dumpsters are full, transport your garbage to other dumpsters (such as at Swinging Bridge).
 - vi. If a bear enters the campground, act immediately to drive it away. Shout, bang pots and pans, and throw rocks and sticks near (but not at) the bear. Keep a safe distance.
 - b. Water is limited, and should be used sparingly. No washing of dishes or other items at water tanks, and you may not hook hoses up to the water tanks.
 - c. Parking is allowed only in the designated parking areas. Carpooling is encouraged.
 - d. Camping is allowed within camp boundaries only.
 - e. Quiet hours are from 10:00pm to 6:00am. Generator use is prohibited between 7:00pm and 7:00am. Loud / amplified music is not permitted.
 - f. Youth groups must have at least one adult supervisor per ten minors in the same campsite.
 - g. Campfires are allowed in designated fire rings only. Fires must be completely extinguished and cold before being left unattended. **From May 1- October 1, campfires are limited to the hours between 5:00pm and 10:00pm only; No morning fires permitted.**
 - h. The area must be thoroughly cleaned of all garbage, trash, litter, recycling, etc. Leave it as you would wish to find it!
 - i. Portable toilets may be provided to supplement permanent vault toilets; these are expensive to rent and service, and fill faster than vault toilets. Please use the vault toilets when available. Groups may rent their own portable toilets if desired.
 - j. You must vacate your camping area by 12:00 noon on your departure day.
 - k. Report all discrepancies, concerns, or suggestions you may have to the camp host or Volunteer Program Manager at (209) 379-1850. For emergencies call 911.
2. Group sites (sites A-F):
 - a. Tent-camping only; no RV's, tent trailers, sleeping in cars, etc.; trailers for food and equipment storage or cooking are permitted in the parking area, one per site, but may not be used for sleeping. Trailers may not be driven into the site. Trailer length limit is 20 feet.
 - b. There is a ten car per group site limit. Additional cars may be parked on South Side Drive (off the road in legal parking sites) or at Sentinel Beach. Please put a note in the window explaining that you are a VIP in Yellow Pine.
 - c. Each group camp site holds a maximum of 30 people. All sites are assigned by the Volunteer Office.
 - d. Pets are prohibited from staying overnight in all group sites. They are permitted during the day, but must be on leash and attended at all times.
3. Individual sites (sites #1-5):
 - a. Two car per site limit.
 - b. RV/Trails permitted only in sites #1 and #2. Sleeping Vans and trucks less than 20 feet permitted in sites #3 and #4. Tent only camping in site #5.
 - c. Six people per site limit

For Emergencies, Call 911

**Yellow Pine Campground
Yosemite National Park**

Directions

From any park entrance, follow signs to Yosemite Valley.

Once you are on the one-way eastbound road (Southside Drive), watch for Cathedral Picnic Area on the north (left) side of the road. Shortly after this point, get into the left lane.

Two miles east of Cathedral Picnic Area is the entrance to Yellow Pines Campground and Sentinel Picnic area on the north (left) side of the road. The small sign reads "Yellow Pines Sentinel Beach". If you miss the turn into the campground, you must go around the one-way loop to return.

If you arrive after dark, the gate may be closed, but will not be locked. Unloop the chain to open, drive through, and close the gate behind you.

After you drive through the gate, the road will fork. Stay to the left and pass through gate marked "Authorized Vehicles Only". There is also a sign indicating "Volunteers in Parks Special Use Area". Again, the gate may appear to be closed but will not be locked. If it is closed, please close the gate behind you.

Once you go through the gate, follow the road to the group site to which you are assigned. Sites A and B are on the left as you enter. Past site B, you will find sites C and D on your right, and E and F on your left. Sites #1-4 are on the right as you enter the campground, and site #5 on the left before site A.

Yellow Pine is equipped with vault toilets and drinking water in large portable tanks. Remember to store your food in the bear boxes immediately upon your arrival, even if it is during daylight.

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