

General Camping Rules & Guidelines

PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT: Preserve Montana's beauty by cleaning up after yourself. There are no dumping facilities and not garbage collection on the Big Timber portion of the Yellowstone Range District.

16 DAY STAY LIMITS: All campgrounds only allow for 16 day stays in the Yellowstone Ranger District.

DON'T DRINK THE WATER FROM LAKES AND STREAMS! An intestinal disease, *Giardia lamblia*, may be contracted from drinking untreated water. The disease, caused by a microscopic organism, can cause severe discomfort. Flu-like symptoms appear 5 to 14 days after exposure and may last 6 weeks or more if untreated. Other diseases-causing organisms may also be present in untreated surface waters.

POTABLE WATER: Is provided at certain campgrounds and rental cabins from about June 1st to September 1st. Water pumps are located at: **(Main Boulder area)** Falls Creek Campground, Aspen Campground, Chippy Park Campground, Hicks Park Campground and Box Canyon Trailhead; **(West Boulder area)** West Boulder Campground; **(Crazy Mountains area)** Halfmoon Campground. You must provide your own drinking water or treat water at other locations and times of the year.

SHOWERS: Are available at campgrounds on the Yellowstone Ranger District.

TENT PADS: Are provided in most of the campgrounds on the Main Boulder. Use of the pads for tent camping protects the vegetation outside the tent pad areas from overuse.

WINTER ROADS: During the winter months the campgrounds and rental cabins are not plowed and may be inaccessible to passenger cars and four-wheel drive vehicles. Call for conditions from October through April each year. Snow stays a long time in the high country. Trails above 8000' are generally impassable until July 15th.

HORSES: Are not allowed in Campgrounds. In addition, horses are not allowed in facilities/enclosures reserved for Forest Service stock (Fourmile rental cabin pastures and West Boulder rental cabin barns, corral and pasture.

HORSE FACILITIES LOCATED AT:

Deer Creek Rental Cabin 28 miles southeast of Big Timber corrals and grazing are available to renters.

West Bridger Rental Cabin 27 miles southeast of Big Timber pasture available to renters.

Placer Basin Trailhead 40 miles south of Big Timber 2 hitch racks at Trailhead.

Fourmile Trailhead 42.5 miles south of Big Timber feed bunk at Trailhead.

Box Canyon 48 miles south of Big Timber loading dock and 4 feed bunks.

West Boulder Trailhead 30.5 miles southwest of Big Timber 3 feed bunks and 2 hitch racks.

FOOD STORAGE ORDER: A food storage order is in effect from March 1 through December 1 annually on all lands in the Custer Gallatin National Forest. Visitors are responsible for complying with the conditions of this order. **Acceptable food storage includes:** stored in a certified bear resistant container; stored in a closed vehicle constructed of solid nonpliable material; or suspended at least 10 feet clear of the ground at all points and 4 feet horizontally from any supporting tree or pole.

BEAR RESISTENT STORAGE BOES ARE LOCATED AT THE FOLLOWING CAMPGROUNDS:

Main Boulder Drainage:

Falls Creek Campground	5 Boxes
Aspen Campground	1 Box
Chippy Park Campground	2 Boxes
Hicks Park Campground	1 Box

West Boulder Drainage:

West Boulder Campground	1 Box
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Crazy Mountains:

Halfmoon Campground	1 Box
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