# Semínole Campground

Seminole Campground's rules are in place to maintain the best quality of life for our residents. We want your time in our camp community to be enjoyable AND safe. Below is a list of frequently asked questions about our rules along with camp regulations. Whether staying for just the weekend or long term - we hope to be "Home Sweet Home".

# Check in time: 1:00 pm/ Check out time: 12:00 pm

# **Registration:**

All campers need to register at the front office upon arrival. **Note:** Your site # is on the electric post to your right when facing your site. Your number is where your utilities will plug in.

October 1st - April 30thMay 1st - September 30thWinter SeasonSummer SeasonIF MONTHLY STAY IS SHORTENED MONTHLY RATE WILL REVERT TO LENGTH OF STAY RATE AND<br/>BACK CHARGED TO YOUR ACCOUNT

#### Are golf carts permitted in the park?

Yes, but you must register the golf cart in the office and provide proof of insurance, Licensed drivers ONLY.

We do NOT allow dirt bikes, go carts, mini bikes, electric scooters, skateboards or hover boards.

# Site Occupancy:

Only 1 RV is allowed per campsite. All campsites allow for a maximum of 4 persons per site.

# Are we allowed to have visitors?

Absolutely! We want your friends and family to enjoy our park as much as you do. It is your responsibility to inform your guests of all campground rules. Visitors need to leave the park by the daily quiet time if not registered as overnight quests.

# What is the daily quiet time?

Quiet time: Sunday - Thursday 11pm to 7 am and Friday - Saturday 11pm. to 8 am. All children under the age of 18 should be inside at quiet time unless accompanied by an adult.

# Is there a speed limit throughout the park?

Yes, the speed limit is 5mph throughout. This speed limit applies to all motorized vehicles as well as golf carts. At night all vehicles must be equipped with lights for safety. Additionally, all motorized vehicles are required to be operated by an individual holding a valid operators license. *Please remove the keys from all motorized vehicles when not in use!* You may also bicycle through the park. Please remain off of all sidewalks and shuffleboard court. All amenities are just a short walk - it's a great way to meet your neighbors!

*Wi-Fi?* We provide free wireless internet service for our guests. In consideration of other guests, limit your usage time by NOT downloading movies or live streaming.

Seminole Campground Wi-Fi Password: CampSeminole1234

#### Can we receive mail at the campground?

All incoming mail, UPS, Fed Ex and Amazon items will be held for you at the front office. Outgoing mail may be left at the office and is picked up once a day. Stamps are available in the office during normal hours of operations.

#### Is electricity covered in the monthly rate?

No. Your site is equipped with an individual electric meter which will tabulate only the electric units you specifically use during your stay in the park. It is typically read on the 31st of the month and payment is due no later than the 15th of each month. Please notify the office on the morning of your departure so that we can schedule your final meter reading. ALL summer season monthly residents will be charged a \$200 electrical deposit.

#### Do you offer garbage pick up?

Yes, in winter season all trash is picked up at your site at 10am and 4pm daily, summer season 2pm daily. Please bag your trash and do not leave it out overnight. There is no need to bag your recycle, just throw it in the blue recycle bin. If you have non garbage items to dispose of you will need to make arrangements at the front office.

#### How many vehicles may we have?

During the winter season, you are allowed to have two registered and tagged vehicle per site in addition to your RV, travel trailer, or 5th wheel. If you are towing a trailer or boat, please notify the office and we will make arrangements for the additional vehicles in our storage facility. A storage fee will be applied .

*Parking:* Please park on the gravel area of your site only - Do Not park on any site that you are not registered to at anytime.

#### No parking in the grass or on the concrete pads.

### Can you do remodel work on your unit on the site?

No remodel work is to be done on your unit on site without permission from management.

# May we leave our RV unattended overnight?

If you will be leaving your unit unattended we ask that you please alert management and leave a key in case of an emergency. All sites need to be left neat and clean at all times. If you will be leaving for an extended period of time please make sure all hoses, cables, etc. are properly stored. The park will not be held responsible for any damage.

# What are the hours for the laundry room?

The laundry room is open 24/7 for the use of residents in the park. This is a *No Smoking* area. We use propane for the dryers and by law must require that you smoke outside. For the convenience of other tenants please remove your clothes from the machines at the end of their cycle and leave the doors of the machines open. Directions are posted for the use of washing machines and dryers. Please contact the office if you require assistance. NO clotheslines or objects tied to the trees.

# Bath House -

The bath house is a *No Smoking* area, please smoke outside. Please respect the "closed for cleaning" and "out of order" signs. Do not bring pets into the facilities. Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult when using the facilities. Please keep the bath house clean and show consideration for the next users.

#### Are campfires permitted in the park?

Yes, fire rings will be provided upon request. Fire rings must be kept on the gravel area of your campsite. Firewood is available for sale at the office. No Fires permitted when Lee County issues a "No Burn Ban".



#### Game Room -

The game room is equipped with a pool table and foosball table. A ping-pong table is located by the shuffleboard courts. They are there for all of the residents to enjoy. You can sign out the equipment in the office with your site number. Remember to return all equipment in the same condition as when you signed it out. In the case of damaged equipment, please notify the office.

#### What are the hours of the pool?

The pool opens at dawn and closes at dusk. Once inside the pool area please follow the rules posted on the pool fence. These rules are Florida State Law and must be enforced. There is no lifeguard on duty so you swim at your own risk. The pool is for everyone to enjoy but children under the age of 13 must have an adult accompany them. Everyone using the pool must wear a swimsuit.

#### If you are arrested?

You can be asked to move out of the park at manager/owner discretion.

#### Creek -

The Pop Ash Creek is a tributary to the Caloosahatchee River and an integral part of the estuarial network of waterways that make up the near by Caloosahatchee Creek Preserve. The creek itself is to be enjoyed by all visually but is off limits to everyone for swimming, canoeing and fishing. Most important is that this creek is home to many of our natural wildlife friends - fish, birds, turtles, frogs, and otters- so please *Do Not* throw anything in the creek.

Children under the age of 13 must be supervised at all time. Children under the age of 13 are not allowed at any water exposure (swimming pool, creek, etc.) without supervision of an adult over the age of 18.

Wildlife should not be fed or disturbed. Keep your site clean of trash and food to help avoid any encounters.

The trees are one of our most valuable assets. Do not cut or deface any tree or drive nails, screws or any metal objects into them. Additionally, no dog chains are allowed around the trees.

#### Cords and Hoses -

Electrical cords should only be used to service your RV to the site pedestal. Do not run cords over roadway or between sites. Use the electric for your site only. Water hoses must be of a type approved for drinking water. Please insure that there are no leaks! (Items may be purchased in our store.) All sewer hoses require a clear elbow.

**Important** - Please report any water, sewer, or electrical problems to the front office as soon as possible. All of us can help conserve our natural resources so please do not wait until the problem becomes a major issue. Call the front office to report all problems. (239) 543-2919

Absolutely no weapons are allowed, including, but not limited to: Fireworks, BB Guns, Pellet Guns, Paintball Guns, and Bow and Arrows.

Management reserves the right to add or change these rules as circumstances may require.

Thank you for choosing Seminole Campground! We hope you enjoy your stay

# <u>THE FLORIDA SENATE ,FLORIDA STATUTES</u>

513.13 Recreational vehicle parks; eviction; grounds; proceedings.—

(1) The operator of any recreational vehicle park may remove or cause to be removed from such park, in the manner provided in this section, any transient guest of the park who, while on the premises of the park, illegally possesses or deals in a controlled substance as defined in chapter 893 or disturbs the peace and comfort of other persons; who causes harm to the physical park; or who fails to make payment of rent at the rental rate agreed upon and by the time agreed upon. The admission of a person to, or the removal of a person from, any recreational vehicle park shall not be based upon race, color, national origin, sex, physical disability, or creed.

(2) The operator of any recreational vehicle park shall notify such guest that the park no longer desires to entertain the guest and shall request that such guest immediately depart from the park. Such notice shall be given in writing. If such guest has paid in advance, the park shall, at the time such notice is given, tender to the guest the unused portion of the advance payment. Any guest who remains or attempts to remain in such park after being requested to leave is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

(3) If a guest has accumulated an outstanding account in excess of an amount equivalent to three nights' rent at a recreational vehicle park, the operator may disconnect all utilities of the recreational vehicle and notify the guest that the action is for the purpose of requiring the guest to confront the operator or permittee and arrange for the payment of the guest's account. Such arrangement must be in writing, and a copy shall be furnished to the guest. Upon entering into such agreement, the operator shall reconnect the utilities of the recreational vehicle.

(4) If any person is illegally on the premises of any recreational vehicle park, the operator of such park may call upon any law enforcement officer of this state for assistance. It is the duty of such law enforcement officer, upon the request of such operator, to place under arrest and take into custody for violation of this section any guest who violates subsection (1) or subsection (2) in the presence of the officer. If a warrant has been issued by the proper judicial officer for the arrest of any violator of subsection (1) or subsection (2), the officer shall serve the warrant, arrest the person, and take the person into custody. Upon arrest, with or without warrant, the guest is deemed to have given up any right to occupancy or to have abandoned the guest's right to occupancy of the premises of the recreational vehicle park; and the operator of the park shall employ all reasonable and proper means to care for any personal property left on the premises by such guest and shall refund any unused portion of moneys paid by such guest for the occupancy of such premises.

(5) In addition to the grounds for eviction established by law, grounds for eviction may be established in a written lease agreement between a recreational vehicle park operator or permittee and a recreational vehicle park occupant.

History.—ss. 11, 15, ch. 83-321; s. 12, ch. 84-182; s. 93, ch. 85-81; s. 132, ch. 91-224; ss. 24, 26, ch. 93-150.

513.151 Recreational vehicle parks; guests in transient occupancy; operator's rights and remedies; writ of distress.—This section applies only to guests in transient occupancy in a recreational vehicle park.

(1) OPERATOR'S RIGHT TO DISCONNECT UTILITIES.—

(a) If an operator of a recreational vehicle park makes a reasonable determination that a guest has accumulated a large outstanding account at such park, the operator may disconnect all utilities of the recreational vehicle or tent, except that the operator must not by such actions create a sanitary nuisance. The operator may also take such other measures considered necessary for the purpose of requiring the guest to confront the operator and arrange for payment on the guest's account. Such arrangement must be in writing, and a copy shall be furnished to the guest.

(b) Once the guest has confronted the operator and made arrangement for payment on the guest's account, the operator shall reconnect the utilities of the recreational vehicle or tent, or otherwise reverse the measures taken under paragraph (a).



# Seminole Campground Pet Rules



We know pets can be just as much a part of your family and they are welcome with a few rules. This includes cleaning up after them as well as enforcing proper social behavior. Pets are allowed inside the Park as well as the designated Dog Walk and Nature Trail but MUST be on a leash. The Pet Rules are intended to enable pet owners to keep pets within the Park in a responsible manner without affecting the enjoyment of the other guests.

1. Need Pets Vaccination records from Veterinarian prior to arrival or upon arrival.

2. All pets must be on a leash at all times in the main park and owners are expected to be responsible for their pets.

3. No more than 2 pets per site allowed, unless special permission has been granted by the front office.

4. A guest whose pet creates a disturbance, or is being a nuisance, shall correct the problem immediately after being requested by the front office to do so. Failure to correct the problem will result in being asked to leave the park.

5. Pets left unattended, or in violation of current laws, causing a disturbance or being a nuisance, shall be considered abandoned.

6. If a pet is allowed outside the recreational vehicle, it should be on a short leash at all times and to remain tied on a durable chain or rope that will not allow the pet to extend off the site in any direction. It must not be left unattended.

7. Do not allow your pets to come in contact with toads in the park, some may be poisonous to them

8. All pets must meet current health department requirements (i.e. shots) and should have current papers and proof of vaccinations available to campground management upon request.

9. All pet/dog droppings are the responsibility of the pet owner and must be removed immediately and disposed of properly. A \$50 fee will be levied for failure to pick up your dog's droppings.

10. Do not allow dogs to relieve themselves on anyone's site - please take your dog to the designated dog walk area for this.

11. Visitors of guests are not allowed to bring pets.

- 12. Birds are considered pets.
- 13. "Beware of Dog" signs are not allowed.

14. Dogs are Not allowed in Pool area, restrooms, showers or recreational hall.

# <u>Turtle Nesting:</u> <u>Please Do Not Allow Your Dogs To Dig!!</u>

In Florida, the gopher tortoise is listed as threatened. Both the tortoise and its burrow are protected under state law.



Appearance:

Gopher tortoises can live 40 to 60 years in the wild and average 9 to 11 inches in length.

# Habitat:

During winter, tortoises are much less active; although on warm afternoons some individuals trudge to the earth's surface to bask on the sandy aprons of their burrows. A superb earth-mover, it lives in long burrows that offer refuge from cold, heat, drought, forest fires and predators. The record length for a burrow is over 47 feet long, however, the burrows average 15 feet long and 6.5 feet deep. The burrows maintain a fairly constant temperature and humidity throughout the year and protects the gopher tortoise and other species from temperature extremes, drying out, and predators. Burrows also act as a refuge from the periodic, regenerative fires that are required to maintain the quality of their habitat.

The absence of natural cycles of burning in pine forests spells hardship for tortoises. The dense vegetation (shrubs, brambles, small trees) that grows in a forest in the absence of fire shades out the tender herbs tortoises like to eat, and limits their food supplies. Fire is vital in maintaining many native ecosystems, like longleaf pine sandhills, where gophers live.

Gopher tortoises live in well-drained sandy areas with a sparse tree canopy and abundant low growing vegetation. They are commonly found in habitats such as sandhill, pine flatwoods, scrub, scrubby flatwoods, dry prairies, xeric hammock, pine-mixed hardwoods, and coastal dunes which have historically been maintained by periodic wild fires. When fire is suppressed in gopher tortoise habitat, small trees, shrubs, and brambles begin to grow making it difficult for the gopher tortoise to move around and eventually shade out the low growing plants that gopher tortoises eat.

Gopher tortoises have adapted to living in dry habitats with frequent fire occurrence by digging burrows deep into the sandy soil. The burrows which average 15ft long and 6.5ft deep, provide the gopher tortoise with refuge from wildfires as well as heat, cold, drought, and predators