

Regulation
No. 1130-2-44

17 July 2000

Project Operations
DURATION OF VISIT POLICY FOR CAMPERS

1. Purpose. This document establishes management guidance for a uniform duration of visit policy applicable to campers. The purpose is to maintain a consistent policy for the number of days campers may extend their visit at high and low demand campgrounds throughout the camping season (May-September).

2. Applicability. This regulation is applicable to all Project Offices within the Little Rock District.

3. Reference.

a. Title 36 CFR 327.7(b), Camping, May 2000.

b. ER 1130-2-550, Chapter 2 Recreation Management, 2-2, 15 November 1996.

4. Objective. The objective of this policy is to establish standard guidance for the number of days campers may extend their visits and the circumstances that allow the additional time extension.

5. Campground Duration Policy for the Period of 1 May-6 September. Outside the May-September period, Operations Managers may use individual discretion, and they may apply additional flexibility during the remainder of the camping season in meeting customer needs and allowing maximum use of facilities.

a. Low Demand Campground:

(1) Two extensions for 14 days are available.

(2) Maximum duration of visit at a given campsite is 28 days.

(3) May move to another site within the campground for an additional 14 days.

(4) Must leave entire campground after 42 days.

(5) May return after 7 days and repeat the above process.

b. High Demand Campground:

- (1) One extension for 14 days is available.
- (2) Maximum duration of visit is 28 days.
- (3) Must leave entire campground after 28 days.
- (4) May return after 7 days and repeat the above process.

6. Management Guidance.

a. Extensions may not be used during Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day holiday periods.

b. Campers desiring extensions will submit a completed SWL Request For Extension For Camping Stay Form (Appendix A). This form must be completed and returned to the ranger/fee collector prior to the fourteenth and final day of camping. Operations Managers or Park Managers will evaluate the forms on a case-by-case basis to determine whether or not to approve.

c. Exceptions to the above stated policy will be considered in unusual circumstances such as sickness, death of family member, mechanical problems with camping equipment, and other similar valid situations.

7. Responsibilities. The Operations Manager should review campground data and designate recreational areas or parts of areas as either "High" or "Low" demand, based on local project characteristics. The Operations Manager is responsible for establishing which campgrounds/campsites are low and high demand. "Low demand campground/site" can mean low to medium demand or any demand other than high.

8. Matters Not Covered. Any matters concerning Duration of Visit Camping Policy that is not covered in this or other official guidance should be referred to Chief, Operations Division, for review and appropriate action.

Appendix A



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APPENDIX A
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION FOR CAMPING STAY
LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

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To: Operations Manager
Project Offices
Little Rock District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Date: _____

1. In accordance with the provisions of Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter III, 327.7(b), a time extension is granted to _____ for _____ days at site number _____ in _____ (camper's name) (site) _____ (park) camping area at _____ (Lake or Project name).

2. The length of the extension beginning date being _____ and the ending date being _____ (beginning date) (ending date).

3. The time extension (is granted) (is not granted) with the following provision:

- a. _____ Camper may remain on present site.
- b. _____ Camper must relocate to site of choice within same park.
- c. _____ Camper must relocate to _____ Section within same park.
- d. _____ Camper must relocate to another park for a period of _____ days.

4. This time extension is granted with the provision that it can be revoked by the Park Manager at any time it is deemed necessary for proper management of the park and facilities. Extensions will not be granted for the week preceding a holiday weekend, for a holiday period, or for other anticipated peak park use periods.

5. I understand and accept the above restrictions to this time extension.

CAMPERS SIGNATURE (DATE)

OPERATIONS MANAGER (DATE)
(For District Engineer)

PARK MANAGER (DATE)

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20 Jun 00