

LEAVE NO TRACE

Take care of your trash!

- Keep a clean campsite.
- Store your trash away from bears, hung or in a car.
- When you leave, clean your site and bring your trash with you!
- You can dispose of trash for \$2/bag at the garbage transfer station just north of Nederland. Or, on Thursdays in the summer, you can bring your trash to Socks and Sandwiches, at the Community Church.



Take care of your human waste!

- Bury your waste, at least 6-8 inches deep and 200 feet from any water.
- Do *not* burn your toilet paper! Bury it with your waste.

One of our big problems is trash left at campsites.

You are fully responsible for your trash.

You can be ticketed for leaving it!

Take care of your drinking water!

- Nearly every water source in the forest has giardia and other bacteria. Do not plan to find safe water near camping areas!
- Every year campers get ill from drinking contaminated water.
- Treat your water with a filter, tablets, or by boiling it.
- You can get safe drinking water at the Community Church.

MORE INFORMATION

Emergency (including abandoned campfires): Dial 911

Boulder County non-emergency Sheriff's line: 303-441-4444

Gilpin County non-emergency Sheriff's line: 303-582-5500

Camping & recreation, US Forest Service: 303-541-2500

Wildlife issues, Colorado Parks & Wildlife: 303-291-7227

Human services, Nederland Community Church: 303-258-3579



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In 2016 three campers accidentally started the Cold Springs Fire, which burned 8 homes and over 600 acres. They were camping on private land, did a poor job putting out their campfire, and went to jail. Already in 2017 another wildfire was started by campers, who did a poor job putting out their campfire, this one burning over 50 acres. Every summer the fire department, law enforcement and local residents extinguish dozens of abandoned and escaped campfires.

The history of wildfires, trash, and illegal behavior focuses lots of attention on long-term and under-prepared campers.

You are welcome to camp here, but you must be aware of the rules and danger. Hopefully, this pamphlet will give you the information you need, to be safe and to reduce any conflict with the community that lives here and the agencies that manage the land.

CAMPING

IN THE PEAK TO PEAK REGION



KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- The U.S. Forest Service allows dispersed camping in areas without toilets, but campers must bring sufficient water and properly dispose of their waste and trash.
- Campers can stay up to 14 days in one campsite, then must move at least 3 miles. You may camp up to 28 days within in any 60 day period in one forest. Camping on the National Forests is a recreational opportunity. You cannot live in the National Forest.
- Some areas are 'Designated Dispersed Camping Areas'. In those areas you must be in a designated site with a number. These areas include West Magnolia (2 miles S of Nederland) and Gordon Gulch (5 miles N, at mile marker 37.5).
- Do *not* camp on private property, without permission.
- There is *no* camping in the city limits of Nederland.
- Camping is *not* allowed within a half-mile of trailheads, picnic areas, and official campgrounds.

Illegal camping and illegal fires will be prosecuted.

RULE #1 – FIRE SAFETY

*You are fully responsible for your campfire.
Our safety depends on you!*

Make sure campfires are allowed:

- During dry periods the Sheriff and Forest Service may enact a *fire ban*. You are not allowed to have a campfire or other open flame during a fire ban!
- There are *no warnings* for illegal fires! The fines are very high!

IF campfires are allowed:

- Use existing fire rings.
- *Never leave your fire unattended, even for moments.*
- Do not cut live vegetation. Use only dead and downed wood.
- Keep your campfire small, only for cooking and warmth. Area residents have a low tolerance for bonfires.

Put out the fire:

- You need 5 gallons of water and a shovel to effectively put out a campfire. If you do not have these tools, do not make a fire!
- Douse your campfire with water; then stir with your shovel.
- Douse and stir again, and again, until you can touch the coals.



*If your fire escapes and starts a wildfire,
you will be criminally charged and held financially responsible
for the costs to extinguish and damages done.*

WILDLIFE



*There is a lot of wildlife in the Peak to Peak region.
Do not approach bears, moose, mountain lions,
or other animals!*

- Keep food, trash, and anything with an odor, away from your campsite. Hang food twelve feet high and five feet away from the trunk of a tree, or hidden in a locked vehicle. (Bears will break into cars, if they see food inside.)
- Do *not* keep food in tents at any time!
- If a bear comes to your camp, yell, throw rocks, bang pots.
- If a bear keeps coming back, move campsites and call Colorado Parks and Wildlife.
- Moose are large, fast, and very aggressive, especially when dogs are around. If you see a moose, back away slowly, and put a tree between you and it.
- Do not feed smaller animals and birds. They can become pests and destroy your belongings.
- Be aware of ticks and mosquitos, which can carry serious diseases.

Mountain weather

- Even when it looks nice down the mountain, it can turn very cold here. It can snow all year, and temperatures can easily drop to freezing in the summer.
- If you are not prepared, go back down the mountain.

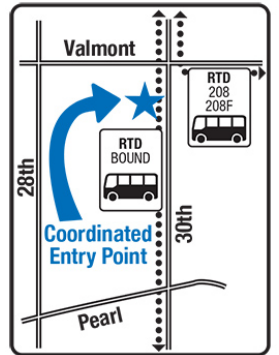
NEED HELP?

*There are very few resources in the Peak to Peak region.
There are fewer jobs or rentals in the mountains.
If you really want help, go to Boulder.*

Human Services in Boulder:

Coordinated Entry – Do you need a safe place to sleep, shelter, or help with basic needs? Your first step to receiving services from Boulder County or the cities of Boulder or Longmont is to go to your nearest Coordinated Entry (CE) site. This is a required step for anyone seeking homeless-related services.

Start by visiting 2691 30th St, Boulder Open 7 days a week, 10-4 (Tue 12-4)
Call _____ for questions
Bus lines: BOUND and 208/F



Boulder Homeless Shelter @ 4869 N Broadway (303-442-4646)
Overnight sheltering for those who qualify through CE

Boulder Bridge House @ 2691 30th St (303-442-8300)
Information about services, case management, and meals

Clinica People's Medical Clinic @ 2525 13th St
For health care, call 303-650-4460.

Mental Health Partners
24 hour crisis and addiction services, call 844-493-8255

Human Services in Nederland:

Summer Socks and Sandwiches @ 210 N Jefferson
The Community Church hosts lunch each Thursday at noon, early June through mid-August. Get a meal, socks, trash bags, hygiene supplies. Stop by the church anytime during the week for help with water or charging your cell phone.

Nederland Food Pantry @ Ned Community Center
Campers receive a small bag of food, water, and trash bags.
Open Sat mornings, and the first/last Thurs mornings, 10-12.