

T.H. STONE MEMORIAL
St. Joseph Peninsula State Park Wilderness Preserve

Primitive Camping Agreement

Primitive Camping Fees: \$5.00/night/ per person
Reservations can be made up to 60 days in advance.
A maximum of 70 persons is allowed to camp overnight in the Wilderness Preserve.
No more than 5 people per designated area.
Check-in time is not later than 2 hours prior to sunset/Check-out time is 1:00pm.

There are no facilities in the Wilderness Preserve so you must bring in your own supplies, including water. Campers are responsible for packing out any garbage produced while camping. Restrooms and showers in the campgrounds, cabins and youth camp are **NOT** to be used by primitive campers. Restrooms in the Bay View Picnic, Eagle Harbor and Gulf Breeze Picnic areas may be used.

The wilderness campsites that have St Joseph Bay access include: 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 14. In nearly all of them, your boat will be left unattended so be sure the boat itself and all valuables are secured.

Boaters must use one of the designated access points on the bay shore (see map). Boaters launching from Eagle Harbor will pay the \$10.00 boat launch fee. Boaters must be familiar with local waters. Water is very shallow near shore. Sea grass and other marine resources are protected. Primitive camper boats are **NOT** permitted overnight in the marina.

Each of the sites are marked from the water by a 4"x4" post, 4 feet tall, with a yellow top, red reflector, brown tent sign and brown campsite number.

Vehicles are not allowed in the preserve. Registered Primitive camper's vehicles must be parked at the designated Primitive Camping Parking Lots or Bay View Picnic area.

You must set up in your designated site as specified on permit.

Only use trails clearly marked and designated by Florida State Parks. Do not walk on the dunes or bushwhack through the scrub. Please obey all park rules. Alligators and poisonous snakes may be encountered (rattlesnakes & cottonmouths).

State law protects all plants and animals. Shorebird and sea turtle nesting areas are marked during the spring and summer months. Do not enter or disturb these areas.

Pets are prohibited.

Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

Fires are permitted in provided fire grills only.

Contact the park office at (850) 227-1327 for questions regarding primitive camping.

Please stop at the entrance station as you leave to check out, so the park staff knows you have returned safely.

I have read and understand the above.

Signature _____ Date _____