



Camping permit conditions

These conditions apply to the permit holder and any person(s) accompanying them.

Any breach of these permit conditions is a contravention of byelaw 11 of the Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Camping Management Byelaws 2017 (“the Byelaws”) and may result in a warning or report to the Procurator Fiscal.

Permits cannot be transferred to other permit areas, dates or persons and are subject to the following conditions:

Permit:

- This permit is for a minimum of one overnight stay and a maximum stay of three consecutive nights.
- You must arrive at your permit area after 1pm on the first day of your permit and leave before 11am on the last day of your permit.
- A valid permit or booking reference must be available for inspection, on request by an authorised officer of Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park Authority (“the Park Authority”) or a Police Officer.
- Your tent and any ancillary equipment must be dismantled and removed before your permit expires at 11am on the last day.
- You must leave the area you have occupied in a clean and tidy condition; you must take all reasonable steps to avoid damage to the permit area and to any structures situated within the permit area.
- You must not apply for another permit in the same permit area within three nights of the expiration of your permit.

Pitching your tent:

- This permit entitles you to erect one tent.
- Pitch your tent within the defined permit area.
- The size of your party must not exceed a maximum of four adults (16 years old and over) and as many children as may be reasonably accommodated.
- Ancillary items must be kept to a minimum and limited to items reasonably necessary in connection with recreational camping activities; e.g. toilet tents, gazebo, fire bowl/bbq.
- The total area occupied by your tent and ancillary items must not exceed 5m x 5m.

Toileting:

- You are responsible for ensuring that appropriate provision is made for toileting and sanitation for the duration of your stay. Please see the attached guidance for more information.
- All wipes, toilet paper and sanitary items must be removed by you and disposed of responsibly.
- Portable toilets must only be emptied at chemical waste disposal points.

Fires:

- Fires must only be lit when there are no active fire risk warnings issued by the Park Authority or other relevant bodies.
- Fires that cause any damage or are likely to cause damage to the environment are not permitted and are an offence under byelaw 8 of the Byelaws.
- It is an offence to collect living and/or dead wood in a manner that causes damage or is likely to cause damage to the environment under byelaw 8 of the Byelaws. Should you wish to light a fire, you must bring your own firewood and kindling.

Waste and rubbish:

- You must remove all litter, rubbish and food waste from the permit area and dispose of it in an appropriate litter bin or recycling point. Leaving any litter within the permit area, including next to bins, is an offence and can incur a fine of up to £200.

Dogs:

You must:

- Avoid causing concern to others by keeping your dog close to heel or on a short lead.
- Pick up and remove your dog's faeces if it defecates.
- Dispose of dog waste responsibly in a bin.

Liability:

- You use the permit entirely at your own risk and the Park Authority does not provide any warranties or representations (whether express or implied) or give any undertakings regarding the suitability of the permit area or any part thereof for recreational camping purposes and/or for all normal and reasonable purposes associated with recreational camping.
- To the fullest extent permissible in law, the Park Authority does not accept and shall not have any liability or responsibility of whatever nature for any damage, loss, injury, claim, expense, cost or liability of whatever nature and howsoever arising, whether to person or property, which you may suffer or incur within or as a consequence of the use of the permit area.

Advice and guidance for campers

Vehicles:

- A camping permit does not include or entitle you to a vehicle parking space.
- Park vehicles responsibly. Do not park on road verges, in passing places or blocking field entrances, driveways or other vehicles, and always comply with the Highway Code.

Pitching your tent

- Avoid pitching your tent on ground that is already trampled or has dying vegetation cover. Pitch on durable surfaces, such as gravel, and grasses.
- Choose a safe place to pitch your tent. Your choice of where to pitch your tent is at your own risk.
- Consider your neighbours when pitching your tent and pitch a reasonable distance apart. We suggest a minimum of five metres distance between tents.

More tips and hints can be found here: www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/plan-your-visit/respect-your-park/

Toileting:

- If you need to urinate or defecate, you must do so more than 30m away from open water, rivers and streams. Keep well away from buildings and land with farm animals. Dig a hole approximately 15-20cm deep and 10-15cm in diameter to bury faeces and replace the turf after use.
- Wipes, toilet paper, sanitary items must be taken away as they can take a long time to breakdown, and animals may dig them up. This can be done hygienically using re-sealable bags or containers.
- Portable toilets must not be emptied within the permit area other than at authorised disposal points.

Fires:

- Wherever possible use a stove or fire bowl.
- If you have an open fire keep it small, on a surface that cannot be easily damaged, under control, supervised and bring your own wood, or other kindling.
- Pallets, fibreboard, old furniture and any wood containing nails or non-combustible fittings should not be used as firewood.
- Never light an open fire during prolonged dry periods or in areas such as forests, woods or on peaty ground and follow advice issued by the Park Authority or other relevant public bodies at all times.
- Portable BBQs may cause damage. Please make sure they are placed on a surface that cannot burn.
- Make sure any fire and/or BBQs are extinguished when you leave and remove all traces before you leave.

Waste and rubbish:

- Bag and handle all food waste like any other litter.
- Avoid using non-biodegradable soap and washing up liquid.
- If in doubt, take it home!
- Remember Park Authority Rangers are authorised to issue Fixed Penalty Notices for littering in the National Park requiring you to pay fines of £80 or £200 and significantly higher if the fine is not paid and the matter is referred to the courts.

Noise:

- Be considerate to others and keep noise levels to a minimum, especially between 10pm and 7am.