

# Grins & Pickin's CampFarm Rules and Regulations

*There are a lot of rules (sorry so long! really didn't want to make rules!) – most are common sense and some are regulations that are required by law to be distributed or posted.*

**ACCIDENTS:** User hereby acknowledges that the farm and camping areas are natural habitats and many obvious and hidden dangers including but not limited to falling limbs, fishing hooks, barbed wire fencing along the boundaries, poison ivy, sun exposure, insects and animals, both natural and domestic. Despite these dangers, User hereby accepts the risks. Further User hereby releases Grins & Pickin's CampFarm, its shareholders, and management for any present or future claims, including a claim for negligence, to property damage, personal injury or death arising from participation in the camping activity. **For emergencies, call 911.**

**ALCOHOL:** You MUST be 21 to drink alcohol anywhere within the facility (state law). Please keep in mind that this is a family facility and drunken behavior cannot be tolerated. **No glass bottles.** No drinking permitted while in the pond. Alcoholic beverages must be contained to your campsite unless disguised. **Serving alcohol to minors will result in instant removal from the farm.**

**BIKE RIDING:** No riding bikes after dusk. No bikes in any buildings. Bikes should be driven on the far right side of the road.

**BOATING (not yet):** Life jackets are required at all times when boating. Boats are available for rent at the store. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. \$5 per day will be charged if you bring your own boat. The use of boat motors is prohibited.

**CAMP FEES:** Camp fee must be paid in full before camping will be permitted. A Campground Registration Form is required.

**CAMPING:** Permitted only at designated camp sites (state law). Limit is three tents per campsite (state law). Camping duration is limited to a maximum of one week. The use of generators is prohibited. Please keep music sound levels at the enjoyment of yourself only and not your neighbors. Check in time is daybreak and check out time is dusk. All RV camping vehicles must have legal license plates and are allowed only to occupy CampFarm Area A where the ground is more firm.

**CHILDREN:** No child 17 or under will be admitted without an adult - no exceptions! Parents are responsible at all times for their children and friends of their children's safety, behavior and actions including any damage they may cause. Do not leave small children unattended - coyote attacks are uncommon but they do live in the area. Children 17 and under must be at their campsite by dusk or be under direct adult supervision.

**CONCEAL CARRY:** Ohio law prohibits carrying a concealed firearm if you are consuming alcohol or are under the influence of alcohol. If violated, you will be instructed to leave immediately. Please notify the owner if you are carrying.

**CREEK WALKING:** Please accompany your children around the creek. It can get deep and wide as a churning river during the rainy season. There are no lifeguards or attendants in the creek area.

**DROP OFF MAIL BOX:** An after-hours mail box is located at the general store by the entry door. The box contains registration forms, rules and pens. This is provided for your convenience if you need to leave us a message, register for your campsite or pay for a visitor.

**EMERGENCIES:** Call 911. The sheriff's office number is 419-947-1151. **If you need assistance from the office please call 740-625-6011.**

**FIRES:** Fire rings are to remain where found on sites. If you want to move the ring, you must get permission from the office and repair the spot where the old ring was located. Maintain size of fire and do not leave fires unattended so that the woods don't burn down. No cans, metals or plastic in fire rings. No burning of garbage per Morrow County Health Department. Be considerate of your neighbors when burning - no one wants to breathe noxious black smoke (plastic/trash). When cooking with charcoal, deposit all coals inside a fire ring when finished.

**FISHING:** Fishing is catch and release only until fish growth is established. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult while fishing. No fishing in the swimming areas and no swimming in fishing areas.

**GRAY WATER:** Do not drain water directly on the ground (state law). Disposal of gray water (dishwater) is provided with a Gray Well (large white square plastic containers) within 200 feet of your campsite. Check with management for the location and proper usage.

**HUNTING AND TRAPPING:** Hunting and trapping on the property is prohibited when the business is open during operation. No hunting or trapping is allowable without permission. A signed Landowner Agreement is needed. Valid Ohio Hunting or Trapping Licenses and deer and turkey permits are required for those activities.

**LITTERING:** Please make a special effort to talk with your children about litter. Loose trash and gum/candy wrappers will blow into the neighbor's property. Chicken bones and corn cobs will attract coyotes and raccoons.

**MOTORIZED VEHICLES:** Snowmobiles, trail bikes, three and four wheelers, golf carts, gas engine scooters, mini-bikes, mopeds, go-carts or ATVs, dune buggies and all-terrain vehicles are prohibited. Some access roads may be closed due to inclement weather.

**NOT ALLOWED:** **No glass containers are allowed anywhere on the premises** - we do not want any people or pets getting cut and want to avoid flat tires. Firearms/weapons, drugs and fireworks are prohibited per state law. Horses, pellet guns and paint ball is not permitted. BB guns, bows and arrows are not permitted on the property unless you get advance written permission.

**PARKING:** Please park in your own campsite. Additional guest parking is available in designated parking areas.

**PETS:** No exotic pets. Pets are never to be left unattended - coyote attacks are uncommon but they do live in the area. Two pets per campsite unless approved by the management. All pets must be caged or kept on a leash and be current on all vaccinations including rabies. Dogs are not to be walked by children 10 years and under unless accompanied by an adult. Dog walking is allowed between the hours of sunrise to sunset – pets are more protective at night when they can't see as well. Pet owners are responsible for picking up pet droppings and for their pet's behavior. Allowing your pet to bark uncontrollably day or night will not be permitted and you may be asked to leave if you are not able to control your pet. Pets are not permitted on the beach, in the swim lake, in the playgrounds, in any buildings or in the food gardens.

Aggressive dogs of any breeds are not welcome. If your dog shows behavior that is protective and unfriendly to strangers, and other animals, please leave it home. Camp owners retain the right to refuse admittance to any dog deemed a nuisance or which poses a hazard. Our major insurance provider requires that we cannot accept breeds having a history of unfriendly and aggressive behavior to both other dogs and to humans. These breeds (pure & mixed) are: Doberman, Pitt Bull, Chow, Rottweiler and Wolf hybrids.

Any incidents, accidents or bites involving a pet must be immediately reported to the management. Any pet that bites may be handed over to the Morrow County Health Department for a mandatory 10 day observation. Grins & Pickin's CampFarm is not responsible for pet occurrences. Your home owner's policy should have a section in it that covers your pet. You are completely liable for your pet(s) and it is the pet owner's sole responsibility for its actions.

There are 3 feral cats who live outside on the farm. They behave like a wild animal and are not friendly except for Lacy who will let you pet her. **Please do not pick up the cats** as they are feral and might scratch you.

**PLANTS:** Do not dig up and/or take any plants, nuts or seeds including wildflowers. Please avoid walking on plants and wildflowers. Leave the plants in their home.

**PROPERTY DAMAGE:** Malicious and willful destruction will be grounds for immediate eviction and possible prosecution. If violated, you will be instructed to leave without a refund.

**QUIET TIME:** Quiet time begins at 11:00 P.M. (township law) until 8 a.m. Offensive language and excessive noise is prohibited. Children 17 and under must be at their own campsite by dark unless accompanied with a parent or guardian.

**SMOKING:** Smoking is not permitted inside any barns or buildings, the Port-A-Johns or restrooms. Please do not litter or throw your cigar and cigarette butts on the ground.

**SPEED LIMIT: It is 5 MPH.** Obey speed limit signs. Please drive slow – there are people enjoying the farm & 3 feral barn cats that run free.

**SWIMMING/BATHING BEACH (not yet):** Children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult. There is no lifeguard on duty. Swimming will be at your own risk.

**TRASH:** All trash must be bagged. Dumpsters are located by the store. Large objects are to be left next to the dumpster. Aluminum cans and plastic are being recycled. There is a special drum for these also located at the dumpsters and in various areas throughout the farm.

**TRESPASSING:** Do not trespass upon posted land (yellow signs every 50 feet). Respect the rights and signs of the landowner and the neighbors.

**TREES:** The cutting or damaging of live trees and/or shrubs is prohibited. Dead wood on the ground may be used for firewood. Do not nail or screw anything to the trees or their branches. The farm is not responsible for damage from falling trees or branches. If you see a dangerous condition please notify the office. If we cannot take care of the problem right away upon your request we will move you to another site.

**VERNAL POOLS:** These low lying areas of water near the pond and in the woods should not be disturbed, especially in early spring so that tadpoles, salamanders and fairy shrimp have a safe, temporary home.

**VISITORS:** All visitors must be registered and pay admission of \$1 per person, \$1 per pet. Entering without registering will be considered trespassing on private property and visitors will be subject to immediate removal. Daily visitors must leave the campground by dusk. If not they will be charged overnight rates. Campers are responsible for their visitors. If a guest comes in with you while the office is closed, it is your responsibility to register and pay by using the drop off mailbox at the store.

**WATER USAGE:** Water usage from the hand pumps is not allowed unless you pay 50 cents per gallon. The office/store has water jugs if needed. Absolutely no washing of vehicles or any other personal property is permitted. Swimming pools of any size are not permitted.

**WILDLIFE:** Do not take or disturb any wildlife including frogs, turtles, salamanders and butterflies. Leave the wildlife live in their homes.