

2025 Harriman State Park Bus Permit Packet

Conditions and Requirements

Any group planning to travel to our parks with buses must obtain bus permits well in advance of their outing. Groups are required to comply with the rules and regulations of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation and the Palisades Interstate Park Commission.

1. What is a bus? A vehicle having a seating capacity of more than 15 adults in addition to the driver (NYS Vehicle & Traffic Law)
2. **As of 2019, Baptisms are no longer permitted.**
3. All applications are processed on a first come, first serve basis. Each bus permit entitles the group to one day of recreation at the site stated on the permit and permission to travel on the Palisades Interstate Parkway.
4. Applications can only be accepted by email (lakewelchsp@parks.ny.gov) or by fax (845-947-3103) and there are three options for payment. You can pay with the credit card payment form, a credit card over the phone or by check/money order. Checks/ money orders must be received within at least seven (7) days after your application has been accepted. Please make checks out to **NYSOPRHP**. When submitting, your application be sure to include the following:
 - a) Completed application
 - b) Separate applications for separate outings
5. For credit card payment over the phone we will call applicants once we receive all necessary paperwork and there is no credit card payment form submitted.
6. Bus permits are valid only for the number of buses, date (s) and Parks (s) specified on the permit. Bus groups that arrive at the park without permits will be charged the on-site fee, if space is available. If space is not available, the group will not be permitted to enter. If space is available at one of the nearby parks, the group will be sent there.

Please note:

- A phone call is not a confirmation.
 - Group's receipt of the Bus Permit(s) is the official confirmation.
 - In order to mail bus permits out in time, we must receive applications within fourteen (14) days prior to outing.
7. In the event of inclement weather, such as rain, the group may call on or before the original date to reschedule. A request to reschedule will be granted only if space is still available on the new date you are considering. ***There are no refunds due to the weather.***
 8. Refunds will be issued only if advance notice of cancellation is received, in writing, seven (7) business days before the outing date. There is a \$9.00 refund fee. Bus groups that do not arrive at the park on the date reserved are not entitled to a refund.
 9. A validated bus permit must be displayed on the driver's side windshield of each bus. The permit must be made available to officials and employees upon entry of the park.
 10. During the full-time summer season, all buses are allowed in Lake Welch from 8:00am- 6:00pm Monday- Friday and from 7:00am-7:00pm Saturday, Sunday and Holidays. Please check with the office for exact hours of operation for the preferred outing date.
 11. Buses are only charged for a bus permit during the summer season; between Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend.
 12. The discharge or pick up of passengers along roads, park entrances, or in any area other than that designated by a park employee is strictly prohibited.
 13. **Lake Tiorati in Harriman State Park no longer accepts buses.**
 14. Groups must be supervised by competent adult supervision with at least one (1) supervisor to every ten (10) children. *Supervisors must be 18 years of age and the person in charge must be at least 21 years of age.* Park personnel have the right to request proof of age for any supervisor. In addition to providing adult supervision, *camps must provide one (1) - certified lifeguard for every 25 children.* Children must be under close supervision, observation and control at all times. Appropriate male and female supervisors must supervise minors using the bath house and comfort stations.
 15. All facilities within the park are available on a first come, first served basis.
 16. The bringing of alcohol beverages into the park or areas under the jurisdiction of the Palisades Interstate Park Commission is strictly prohibited. Coolers may be subject to checks for alcohol.
 17. No items are to be sold, nor is catering allowed.

18. Tents are allowed; however, they can not be enclosed. Windows and doors on all sides must remain open. Attaching rope, banners, hammocks, nets or other artificial objects to trees or rocks are prohibited.
19. Areas used by a group must be left in the condition equal to that existing upon arrival. Groups will be held responsible for all clean up.
20. Buses arriving at Lake Welch from Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day will stop at the booth and show permit to cashier. A Park Ranger will meet you and escort you to the unloading area and/or parking space. Summer Camps may be asked to check in at the office for other required paperwork at that time.

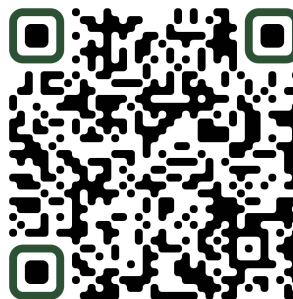
Bus Fees

- **Bus Permit Fee**.....\$60.00 per
- **ON-SITE FEE**.....\$150.00 per
 - This is for any groups arriving to the park, on the day of the outing, without having purchased a bus permit ahead of time.

Please direct all correspondence about bus permits to:

Lake Welch Beach
Email: lakewelchsp@parks.ny.gov
Telephone: (845) 947-2444
Fax: (845) 947-3103

For the full official Harriman State Park map, as well as other information about the parks, please download the NY State Parks Explorer app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store:





**PALISADES INTERSTATE PARK COMMISSION
BUS PERMIT APPLICATION**

****PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT and FILL OUT COMPLETELY (incomplete applications may be cause for rejection)****
A SEPARATE APPLICATION IS REQUIRED FOR EACH LOCATION AND EACH DATE. THIS MAY BE DUPLICATED

===== LOCATION OF OUTING =====

_____ **Lake Welch**

_____ ~~Anthony Wayne~~

Contact Bear Mountain: (845) 786-2702 ext. 2
bearmountainsp@parks.ny.gov

Date of Outing _____ Name of Organization _____

_____ **Summer Camp** → # of Adults (minimum age of 18) _____ # of Children _____

Baptisms are no longer permitted at Lake Welch.

Arriving @ _____ AM/PM

Leaving @ _____ AM/PM

Person-in-Charge _____ Phone # (____) _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Organization Phone # (____) _____ Email Address _____

===== AMOUNT TO PAY =====

Bus Permit Fee: Only applicable between Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day Weekend.

of Buses* _____ X \$60.00 = \$ _____

* Bus: A vehicle having a seating capacity of more than 15 adults in addition to the driver (NYS Vehicle & Traffic Law).

I certify that I have read, understand, and will comply with the enclosed information, conditions, and requirements.

Authorized Signature _____ Date _____

NOTE: Buses must travel in the right hand lane of the Palisades Interstate Parkway. The permit must be displayed on the right side of the windshield. The bus ticket must remain attached to the permit until the bus leaves all state lands. Park rules and regulations prohibit the bringing of alcoholic beverages into state parks.

Email or Fax completed application and required information: lakewelchsp@parks.ny.gov
Fax: (845) 947-3103



For Office Use:

Date Rec' _____ Amount Rec' _____ Payment Type _____ Initials _____

Harriman State Park
PO Box 427
Bear Mountain, NY 10911-0427
Tel: 845-947-2444 (Lake Welch)
Tel: 845-429-8257 (Lake Tiorati)



New York State
Parks, Recreation and
Historic Preservation

Credit Card Payment Form

Please check one:

Bus Permit

Tiorati Pioneer Camping

Metal Detecting Permit

Name of Organization (if applicable): _____

Cardholder's Name (as it appears on card): _____
-Must be the same as applicant

Billing Address: _____

Daytime Telephone Number: (____) _____ - _____ ext. _____

Choice of Card

Master Card _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Visa _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Discover _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

American Express _____ - _____ - _____

Credit Card Expiration Date: _____

CVC Code: _____

Amount to be paid: \$ _____

Cardholder's Signature

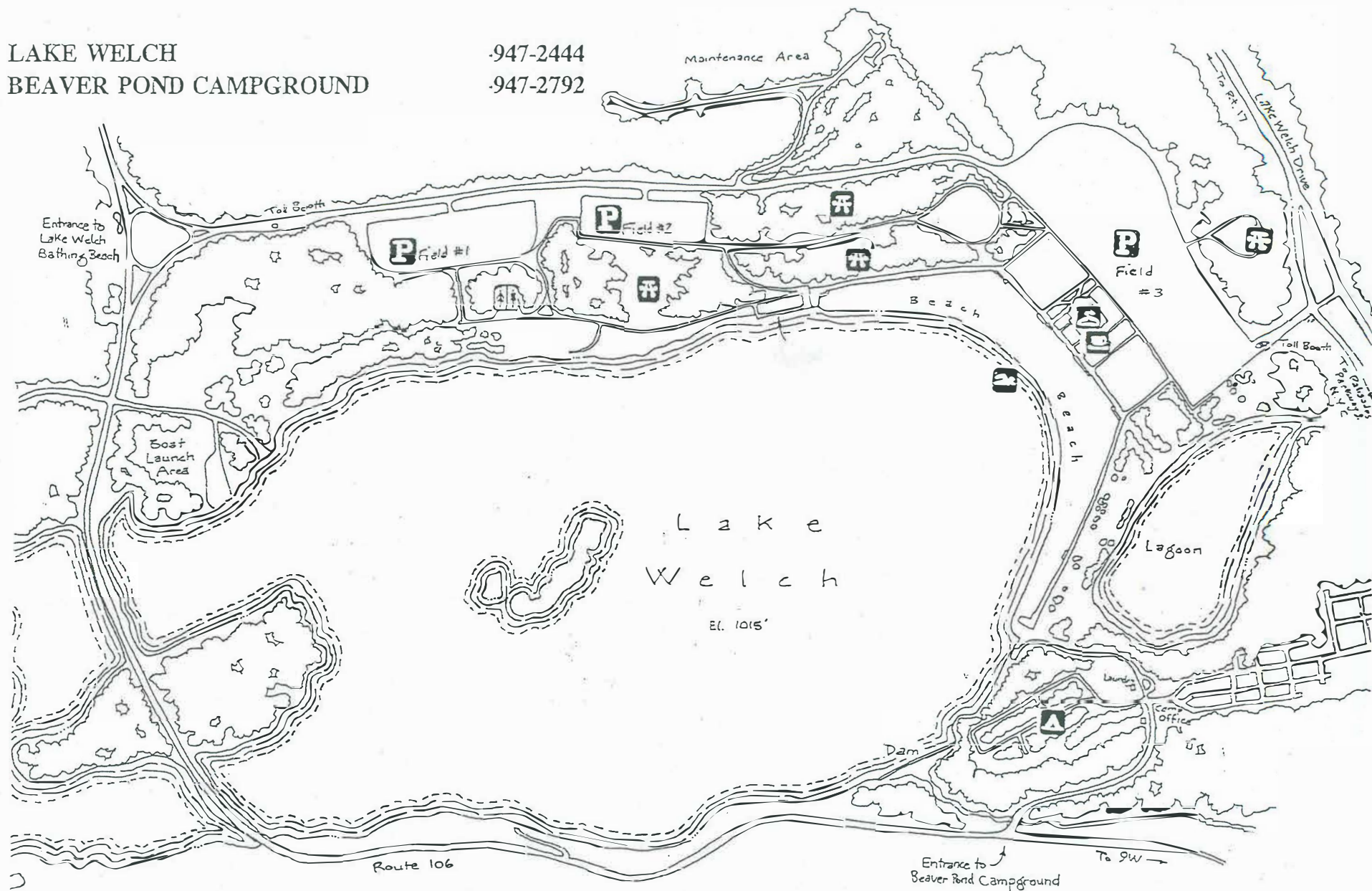
Date _____

Please return this completed form along with the application

LAKE WELCH BEAVER POND CAMPGROUND

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Key

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| Parking | Swimming |
| Picnic Area | Bathhouse |
| Comfort Station | Food Bar |
| Camping Area | |

