## Michigan Department of Natural Resources Parks and Recreation Policy #8.1 Revised May 12, 2009

## **Camping Policy**

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It is the policy of the Parks and Recreation Division to provide limited-term recreational camping opportunities. Camping is permitted only in established campgrounds on designated sites, or in designated areas, following payment of established fees. Camping is prohibited in any other area of State Parks or Recreation Areas. According to State Administrative Rules, campgrounds shall not be used as places for permanent or semi-permanent residence, or as a base for the operation of commercial business.

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A. Backpack and Bicycle Camping

For a camp entering the park on bike or hiking.

- 1. When all designated campsites are full, backpack and bicycle camps will be accommodated in the Group Use Area or in some other location in the park or recreation area. The intent is to accommodate backpack or bike camps.
- 2. These camp permits (in locations other than standard campsites) are to be written for one night only, and entered into CRS on an auxiliary site.
- 3. The campers may be required to leave by 10:00 AM the next morning or register to a standard campsite.
- 4. The camping fee will be determined by amenities available to the campers and up to four persons per camp.