

REST AREA REGULATIONS

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To preserve state property and increase health and safety in rest areas, the following activities are prohibited in a rest area:

- Lighting a fire other than propane or gas fueled camp stoves and grills
- Picking, removing, or damaging plant life or forest products
- Hunting, trapping, or injuring birds or animals
- Discharging a firearm, bow and arrow, or other weapon
- Discharging fireworks, explosives, or other similar devices
- Mutilating, defacing, damaging or removing any property, garbage, recycling, or facility
- Digging up, defacing, or removing dirt, stone, rock, or other natural substance
- Operating a concession or selling merchandise, food, or services, except for a permitted "free coffee" service or vending machines under agreement with the Department of Transportation or Travel Information Council
- Blocking access to the restroom or motor vehicle or pedestrian movement
- Smoking or carrying a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or other smoking implement, in a restroom building or within 20 feet of a restroom building
- Consuming alcoholic beverages or having an opened container of an alcoholic beverage
- Operating a motor vehicle in any area not intended for motor vehicles
- Parking outside the designated parking area or in violation of any posted parking regulation
- Allowing an animal to run loose. Pets or service animals are to be on a leash 6 feet or shorter; livestock are to be on a lead 10 feet or shorter and under direct hand control.
- Allowing an animal, except a service animal, in any building or area except designated pet or livestock areas.
- Placing a poster, flyer, sign or marker in or on any utility pole, sign post, building or other facility
- Depositing garbage, recyclables, or refuse of any kind except in designated containers
- Dumping, spilling or allowing to leak sewage, waste water, or other substance from a vehicle
- Using a restroom to bathe or wash clothing, dishes or other materials
- Setting up a tent or other structure, camping, or remaining in a rest area for more than 12 hours in any 24-hour period
- Participating in a public disturbance, riotous or other behavior which interferes with the reasonable use of the rest area
- Obstructing, harassing or interfering with a Department of Transportation or Travel Information Council employee or Rest Area Attendant in the performance of their duties
- Creating noise by any means which interferes with the reasonable use of the rest area

Failure to comply with these regulations may result in a Class B violation as well as being excluded from use of the rest area for up to one year.

"Rest Area" includes safety rest areas, scenic overlooks and similar roadside areas which are under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation. For the purpose of these regulations, when a rest area is on both sides of the highway, the two sides are considered a single rest area.