

Foothills Park's Towle Camp Reservation Information

We are pleased that you have chosen to camp with us in Foothills Park. To assist you in planning your camping trip and ensure that you and your party have a safe and enjoyable time, please note the information below. For more information please call the rangers at 650-329-2423 or visit <http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/openspace>.

ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE

- Check-in time is 2:00 p.m. Check-out time is 12:00 noon.
- Responsible party must arrive at least **2 hours** before park closure. See our website or call the rangers for closing times.
- All campers must enter the park before the entrance gate is locked, which is one-half hour before park closure.
- If you do not see a ranger at the entrance station or Interpretive Center, proceed to the campground. The rangers will find you in the campground to check you in and issue a key and permits. The combination for the campground gate lock is included in your emailed permit.
- You will be issued a gate key when you check in. The key is to be used for exiting the park in case of emergency only. It may not be used for after-hours entry or exit. Doing so may result in citation, ejection from the park, and forfeiture of your camping reservation.
- All guests not camping overnight must exit the park before park closure. See our website or call the rangers for closing times.

VEHICLES AND PARKING

- Parking for two (2) cars per site is permitted for campsites 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 8. Four (4) cars per site are permitted for campsites 1 and 5. Guests may not park at Towle Camp.
- Registered campers' cars must remain parked at Towle Camp overnight.
- Driving through the park after hours is prohibited.
- Campers, motor homes and other recreational vehicles are not permitted in Towle Camp at any time.

FIRES, BARBECUES, AND GAS STOVES

- A daily fire permit is required. Fire permits are issued by park staff based on daily fire weather conditions. The permit will be issued when you are checked in.
- Charcoal fires only are permitted in the barbecues. Do not burn wood in the barbecues.
- Wood fires are only allowed in the campfire circles adjacent to campsites 1 and 5, fire weather permitting. These campfire circles are open to all campers. Bring your own firewood and kindling for the campfire circles.
- Tabletop camp stoves with propane bottles or tanks by permit only. No personal portable grills of any type are permitted.
- No smoking.

DOGS

- Dogs are not permitted in Foothills Park on weekends or city holidays. Therefore, dogs are not permitted in the campground on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, or the night before a holiday.
- Dogs must be leashed and under physical control at all times.

AGE LIMITS

- The person making the camping reservation must be a Palo Alto resident 21 years or older. This person must remain overnight with the campers.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

- Foothills Park and Towle Camp is open to Palo Alto residents and their accompanied guests only.
- There must be one (1) Palo Alto resident for every 15 non-resident adults and children in the camping group.
- A guest list must be submitted to Foothills Park one week in advance, listing all members of your party, residents and non-residents alike. A guest list form is available on our website.

CANCELLATIONS

- Cancellations must be made in writing and received two weeks before the event. A cancellation fee (1/3 of total charges) is non-refundable unless the city cancels the permit, wherein a full refund will be made. No refund is given if cancellation is less than two weeks.

PARK HOURS

- Foothills Park is open every day at 8:00 a.m. and closes at a specific time based on sunset. See our website or call the rangers for closing times.
- Last entry to the park for all campers is one half hour before park closing time.
- All guests not camping overnight must exit the park before closing time.
- Those driving through the park after closing may be cited.

DOGS AND CITY HOLIDAYS

Dogs may not enter Foothills Park on weekends or city holidays.

New Year's Day, January 1

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, 3rd Monday in January

President's Day, 3rd Monday in February

Memorial Day, last Monday in May

Independence Day, July 4

Labor Day, first Monday in September

Columbus Day, 2nd Monday in October

Veteran's Day, November 11

Thanksgiving, 4th Thursday and Friday in November

Christmas, December 25