

South Florida Water Management District

Special Use License Frequently Asked Questions

How do I obtain a Special Use License?

A permit may be obtained by visiting the South Florida Water Management District's Special Use License page: <https://www.sfwmd.gov/community-residents/recreation/sul>

A user account is required to use the website. At the log in page, select "Add Account" to register the user account.

Where is the gate combination code located on my Special Use License?

It is located on the bottom of the Special Use License next to the Lock Combination language.

The code on my Special Use License for the gate combination does not work?

First try setting the combination again and pushing in and then out on the lock. If that doesn't work then the combination may have been updated, please look for an e-mail update that was sent to you in the past with an updated combination number, the email may be in your Spam folder.

How do I change or re-set my password?

Select "Forgot Password" on the log in page.

How do I cancel or change a Special Use License?

To cancel or change a Special Use License, select the view/change link at the top of the website. Arrival dates cannot be modified. The license will have to be cancelled and re-entered to change it.

How many days can I camp?

Campers are permitted up to 8 consecutive days per permit. You must depart on the 8th day for at least one day, taking all your belongings with you, before you can return for an additional visit at a specific campsite. There is a limit of 30 days per year, District-wide.

How many people are allowed on a permit?

Most sites allow up to 6 people per permit.

Where can I camp with a group?

The DuPuis Management Area has a group campsite open to all groups of at least 8 or more people. The Crew Management Area campsites each allow up to 25 people.

Where can I camp with horses?

The DuPuis Equestrian Campground, the Hickory Hammock Equestrian Campground, and the KICCO Wildlife Management Area at either the Spoil Equestrian Campground or the Town of KICCO Campsite.

Can I drive my vehicle into the campsite?

Most campsites allow vehicles to be driven into the campsite. Backpacking/hiking trail campsites do not allow vehicle access. Please check the accompanying pages of your camping license for specific information about access.

How do I get a day use permit?

Vehicle Access Authorizations and Equestrian Day Use permits are available for those sites that allow that activity and are obtained on the Special Use License website: <https://www.sfwmd.gov/community-residents/recreation/sul>

Can I bring a golf cart or ATV/UTV?

These types of recreational vehicles are prohibited on District properties. A golf cart which is registered, licensed, and insured (street legal) to be driven on Florida roadways is allowed only on designated roads within District properties.

Where can I camp with an RV/Travel Trailer?

All South Florida Water Management District campsites allow tent camping. RV/Travel Trailer camping is limited to the DuPuis Equestrian Campground, The Istokpoga Canal Boat Ramp Area Campground, the Hickory Hammock Equestrian Campground the Town of KICCO Campsite and the Spoil Equestrian Campground (KICCO WMA).

Is there a length limit for RV/Travel Trailers?

There is no length limit.

Do any of these campsites have electric or water hook ups?

There are no campsites that have any electric or water hook ups. Some sites have more amenities than others. Please check the accompanying pages of your camping license for specific information and amenities.

Do RV sites have a dumping station?

The DuPuis Equestrian Campground is the only dump station available on South Florida Water Management District campsites. The dump station is available to only those registered DuPuis Equestrian Campground overnight campers.

Are dogs allowed?

Dogs are permitted but must always be on a leash while visiting campgrounds. The DuPuis Equestrian Campground allows only two (2) dogs per permit. Campers must pick up after their dogs and dispose of waste properly.

Can I run a generator?

At sites that allow the use of a generator, you can operate the generator until 11 pm. Quiet hours are from 11 pm till 7 am. Check the accompanying pages of your camping license for specific information about generator use.

How far in advance can I obtain a Special Use License?

Most sites are available for booking January 1st through December 31st. Our more popular campsites are open for booking 4 to 6 months in advance.