



GREAT POND  
MOUNTAIN  
CONSERVATION TRUST

Wildlands

## 2023 Wildlands Camping Policy & Registration

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**GPMCT** preserves the Wildlands: 5,000 acres of habitat, forestry & recreation in Hancock County, Maine.

**Camping is available by reservation at 3 designated campsites in the Wildlands:**

**Mitchville Campsite** on Hothole Brook – max 6 people. Tent site, pit toilet, non-potable water available from stream. 1.4 mile walk from South Gate

**Baker Brook Campsite** – groups up to 15 people. Tent sites, lean-to, pit toilet, non-potable water available from stream. ¾ mile walk from North Gate

**Cedar Campsite** on the west shore of the Dead River. Tent sites, pit toilet, picnic table (late 2023), non-potable water available from River. 2.6 -mile paddle from Craig Brook Fish Hatchery boat ramp (with parking).

**Fee - a donation that helps offset our administration and land management expenses:**

- **GPMCT Members:** \$15/site/night for groups of 6 and under; \$20/site/night for 7 or more people
- **Non-Members:** \$20/site/night for groups of 6 and under; \$30/site/night for 7 or more people
- **Groups larger than 15** must request a Special Use exemption

**Additional Information:**

- Reservations are first-come, first-served. Preference may be given to GPMCT members and volunteers
- Five-night limit
- Please arrive after 12 pm and depart not later than 11 am
- Campsites are hike, bike or paddle-in – vehicles must be left outside gates; even if gate is open, it may be closed when you leave
- Bring water or purification system for drinking and cooking; potable water is not available
- Leave No Trace! – pack it in; pack it out
- Fires are only permitted when the Maine Forest Service Wildfire Danger Reports lists Region 7 fire risk as "Moderate" or "Low." [mainefireweather.org](http://mainefireweather.org)
- Fires are allowed in fire rings only, conditions permitting. No cutting live trees or vegetation. Bring only local firewood (don't transport pests!), or collect small, dead wood from the forest floor. Burn all wood and coals to ash. Put out fires completely
- Use pit toilets unless you pack waste out. Bring TP. No trash in toilets, please
- Dogs must be leashed at all times – much of our wildlife is sensitive to dogs, and porcupines, moose and bears are common

*Camping is at your own risk. Camping in the Wildlands is a remote camping experience. Be prepared for emergencies; cell phone reception is spotty. The Wildlands is bear country! Hang food to be safe.*

*GPMCT reserves the right to refuse any request for camping that they deem unsafe or inappropriate for people or the resource.*

Questions? Call 469-6929 or e-mail [info@greatpondtrust.org](mailto:info@greatpondtrust.org) for more info.

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