

# **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.
- Dogs must be inside of your tent with you when camping overnight. Dogs are not permitted outside of the campground after the preserve closes for the night

## **AGE LIMITS**

- The person making the camping reservation must be an Adult 21 years or older. This person must remain overnight with the campers.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- A guest list must be submitted to Foothills Park one week in advance, listing all members of your party. 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