



Information Bulletin

LIMITED CAMPING SERVICES RESUME AT PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND NATIONAL PARK

CHARLOTTETOWN, PEI, June 18, 2020 – Starting July 2, 2020, Prince Edward Island National Park will begin to offer limited camping services.

The following camping amenities will be available at Stanhope Campground:

As of Date	Camping Sites Open	Amenities
July 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 3-way sites reopen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-contained RVs only. No washroom or laundry access.
July 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15 2-way sites reopen 10 un-serviced sites reopen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Single stall washrooms in East and West and laundry reopen.
July 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 additional 2-way sites may reopen 5 additional un-serviced sites may reopen 4 oTENTiks may reopen (two night minimum stays, single party occupancy, Friday-Sunday only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This stage of reopening is dependent on an evaluation of visitor compliance with required public health and safety measures and capacity of Parks Canada team members. Central washroom may reopen. The first weekend for oTENTik stays may be July 24-26. oTENTik washrooms may open from Friday-Sunday only.
<p>Important Information for Campers with existing reservations at Stanhope Campground:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduced on-site services: window service only, gift shop closed, reduced staff hours. Wi-Fi will be available from outside of visitor centre only. Visitors are encouraged to use self-contained facilities to ease line-ups at washrooms. No group camping or shared spaces aside from washrooms. Washrooms limited to 1 family unit at a time. Visitors are required to have a reservation in order to camp. 		

Cavendish Campground will remain closed for the 2020 operational season due to damage caused by post-tropical storm Dorian in September 2019. It requires remediation to ensure visitors' safety and this closure reflects both the impact of post-tropical storm Dorian and restrictions at Parks Canada PEI places, infrastructure and operations to limit the spread of COVID-19. Many significant repair and clean-up activities to address the damage caused by post-tropical storm Dorian, that were planned for spring 2020, have yet to happen.

Visitors to PEI National Park will have access to some beaches, trails, day use areas, and green spaces.



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The camping experience at PEI National Park will be different than previous years.

Initially, camping at PEI National Park will be limited to visitors with existing reservations. Visitors are required to have a reservation in order to camp. Parks Canada will gradually begin to accept new online reservations for Stanhope Campground in the coming weeks. Visitors should check the Parks Canada website regularly for updates and information on services available and reservation windows.

Events, group and interpretation activities remain suspended until further notice.

Visitors are asked to plan ahead by checking the PEI National Park website at www.pc.gc.ca/pei before they travel to find out what is open, what they can expect, and how to prepare for their visit.

Visitors must follow local and provincial travel restrictions, including requirements for self-isolation. It is not possible to self-isolate at Parks Canada campgrounds. All non-essential travel into Prince Edward Island is currently prohibited and visitors holding reservations for this summer should review [current Provincial travel restrictions](#). The demand from Canadians to go camping is high this summer. Parks Canada encourages campers who do not think they will be using their reservation to cancel early so that others can benefit. Visitors who made reservations prior to Parks Canada's suspension of visitor services in March will get a full refund of all associated fees should they be cancelled.

The health and safety of visitors and employees is of utmost importance to the Government of Canada. Parks Canada is following the advice of public health experts and continues to make every effort to limit the spread of COVID-19. Visitors should follow the advice of public health experts, including necessary hygiene practices and physical distancing of two metres from others.

Parks Canada is asking Canadians to be cautious and conservative when they visit PEI National Park and to respect any closures that are in place. Anyone participating in recreational activities should be extra cautious to avoid injury and/or getting lost to help minimize the demands placed on search and rescue teams and on the health care system.

Detailed information on Parks Canada places and the measures the Agency is taking to limit the spread of COVID-19 can be found on the Parks Canada website: pc.gc.ca. Please check regularly for updates.

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