



Rules and Regulations

Visitor Policies

The six enhanced Shoreline Campsites on the Boundary Dam reservoir are operated and maintained by Seattle City Light (City Light) for public use on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the US Forest Service (USFS). The reservoir and six campsites are all located within the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission project boundary for the Boundary Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2144). The Shoreline Campsites are available to persons or groups for activities consistent with City Light rules and regulations. The goals of the visitor policies described in this document are to provide a safe and enjoyable recreational experience for Project visitors, and to protect sensitive resources.

1. CONSISTENCY WITH OTHER LAWS AND REGULATIONS

City Light's site rules and regulations are consistent with federal, state, or local law, rule, or regulations. Site visitors are ultimately responsible to ensure their conduct is within the law of the civil authority with jurisdiction.

2. FAILURE TO COMPLY

Failure to comply with these rules and regulations or with any other federal, state, or local law, rule, or regulation may result in eviction from the site, and possible prosecution by the civil authority with jurisdiction.

3. LEAVE NO TRACE PRINCIPLES

Visitor management at the Shoreline campsites is largely guided by Leave No Trace backcountry principles, which provide a framework of minimum impact practices for anyone visiting the outdoors. The seven Leave No Trace principles include the following:

- a. Plan Ahead and Prepare
- b. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- c. Dispose of Waste Properly (all Shoreline Campsites are "pack-it-in, pack-it-out," so no trash receptacles are provided)
- d. Leave What You Find
- e. Minimize Campfire Impacts
- f. Respect Wildlife
- g. Be Considerate of Other Visitors

4. CAMPING

To ensure the Shoreline Campsites provide a safe and enjoyable camping experience for visitors, the following rules apply to all campers:

- a. Campers shall set up tents only at clearly designated tent pads in order to limit expansion of site/trampling of vegetation.
- b. All campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- c. Campers are encouraged to complete a registration form and place the completed form in the registration box prior to launching watercraft, noting "On River" for campsite location. Registration boxes will be installed at boat launches at the Forebay Recreation Area, Metaline Waterfront Park, and future Portage Trail.
- d. Campsites are not for residential use. Campers are limited to a consecutive six-night stay between Memorial Day weekend (beginning Friday night) and Labor Day weekend. Campers are limited to a consecutive 14-night stay between Labor Day weekend and Memorial Day weekend.
- e. Campers must be courteous to other campers and City Light personnel, or risk being asked to leave.
- f. The digging or leveling of ground or the construction of any structure without written permission of City Light is prohibited.

5. RESPECTFUL RECREATION

- a. It is prohibited to participate in any recreational activity in a manner and/or location that may subject people or personal property, site resources, or facilities to risk, injury, or damage.
- b. Engine-driven electric generators are discouraged at Shoreline campsites, and if used may be operated only between the hours of 8:00 AM and 9:00 PM.
- c. No person shall use profane or abusive language or conduct oneself in a disorderly manner which interferes with the ability of other visitors to have an enjoyable recreational experience
- d. No person shall use an amplified music system or sound-emitting electronic equipment, including radio, television, or other such equipment, at a volume which emits sound beyond the immediate individual camp or picnic site. Portable radios and music players are permitted provided they are not operated at a volume or in any manner that disturbs the peace of others.

6. PETS

- a. All pets must be kept on a leash, and under physical control, at all times while at the Shoreline Campsites.
- b. Any pets or animals displaying vicious or aggressive behavior or otherwise posing a threat to public safety or deemed a public nuisance are prohibited from the Shoreline Campsites and subject to removal.

- c. Pet owners or handlers are responsible for cleaning up their animal's waste and disposing of the waste in appropriate offsite trash receptacles, not the pit toilets.

7. VANDALISM

No person shall remove, destroy, injure, mutilate, or deface any site properties, planting, equipment, facilities, or any natural or landscaped environment, including but not limited to natural formations, historical and archaeological features, vegetation, or native animals.

8. CAMP FIRES

- a. No person shall build any fire except in site areas designated for such purposes. Propane barbecues or other portable stoves are allowed.
- b. If recreationists need to collect firewood, they may collect dead and down wood only
- c. Do not put plastics, metals, glass, or other non-burnable materials in fire rings.
- d. Fires shall not be left unattended and must be completely extinguished prior to departure. Hot coals may be disposed of only in fire rings or grills.
- e. City Light prohibits open burning of any type and will implement federal agency or county fire bans when appropriate.

9. FIREARMS AND/OR WEAPONS

No person shall:

- a. Aim any loaded or unloaded firearm within the site.
- b. Willfully discharge from, across, or into the site any firearm, air gun, or other weapon that discharges a projectile capable of inflicting injury to person or damage to property.
- c. Display a weapon in a threatening manner (RCW 9.41.270).

10. FIREWORKS

No person shall possess, discharge, set off, or cause to be discharged fireworks, explosives, or explosive devices of any kind, or other pyrotechnics, firecrackers, torpedoes, rockets, or substances harmful to the life of safety of persons or property. This prohibition includes those devices classified by the State Fire Marshall as consumer fireworks, commonly referred to as "safe and sane" fireworks.

11. RUBBISH AND SANITATION

- a. All Shoreline Campsites are "pack-it-in, pack-it-out." Garbage, trash, rubbish, litter, gray water, or any other waste material or waste liquid generated incidental to authorized recreational activities shall be removed from the site by the visitors.
- b. No person shall bring onto the Shoreline Campsites any household or commercial garbage, debris, or dead animals or fish of any kind for disposal or dumping.
- c. Visitors using the Shoreline Campsites shall keep their sites free of trash and litter during the period of occupancy and shall remove all personal equipment and clean their sites upon departure.

- d. No person shall deposit waste or refuse of any nature, kind, or description, including human or animal waste, in a manner that enters it into any river, stream, wetland, or other body of water running in, thru, or adjacent to the Shoreline Campsites.
- e. Fish heads, carcasses, and guts shall not be disposed of near the shoreline, in provided pit toilet facilities, or in fire rings. These methods are a nuisance for other visitors and attract pests and unwanted wildlife. If necessary, visitors shall dispose of fish back into the river – preferably in deep water.

12.SWIMMING

- a. City Light does not sanction swimming within the Boundary reservoir. Any person swimming shall do so at their own risk.
- b. No person shall swim in any designated boat launching, moorage, or other area designated for watercraft uses.

13.SPEED LIMITS

Recreational users are subject to Pend Oreille County and Washington State boating regulations and speed limits and must operate within the law of the civil authority with jurisdiction while boating on Boundary reservoir.