

YOUTH GROUP CAMPGROUND

STARVED ROCK STATE PARK
P.O. BOX 509, UTICA, IL 61373
815-667-4726

Youth Group camping is done by advance reservation only beginning January 1st of each camping year. The camping area is for tent camping only, by organized youth groups - with the majority of members 17 years of age or less. **The Youth Group camping area is for youth and leaders only - not for families.** If a parent is required to camp with a youth, then there must be more youth than adults in the group to use the area. Any family groups posing as youth groups will not be allowed to camp in the youth area even if they have obtained a reservation.

All groups must be supervised by adults at all times, state curfew laws apply to any minors. The Youth Group campground is somewhat separated from the family campgrounds. **The reservation fee is \$5.00 for each group camp reservation.** *A reservation and reservation fee must be received by the park seven (7) days in advance of the camping date.* **Camping fees are \$2.00 per person, per night, with a minimum of \$20.00 per group per night.**

Minors are not allowed to roam free after dark. They must be chaperoned and stay within the perimeter of the Youth Group camping area. The recreational shelter is for daytime activities only. There is absolutely no camping in or under this shelter. Only one camping vehicle is allowed in the camping area with your group. All other vehicles must remain in the gravel parking lot.

YOUTH GROUPS CANNOT CAMP IN THE REGULAR CAMPGROUND.

Beginning January 2001, youth groups will not be allowed in the regular campground in accordance with IDNR Administrative Code 130. If the youth group area is full for the weekend requested, another weekend must be chosen.

Ground fires are allowed in the Youth Group Area. Wood is for sale at several locations near the campground and at some stores in Utica. **There is NO cutting trees within the park. NO wood may be collected for fires within the park.**

REGULATIONS

_____ We hope you have an enjoyable visit at Starved Rock State Park. Regulations are only common sense and are designed for your safety and to protect the park environment. Quiet hours begin at 10pm and end at 7am. The campground closes at 11pm and traffic barriers allow emergency exits only. Police and Ambulance have keys to enter the campground. The Starved Rock State Park campgrounds are built and maintained to provide camping in a natural setting as part of the outdoor recreational experience. **THIS AREA IS NOT FOR PARTIES OR OTHER NOISY NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES.** The individuals who violate park rules, particularly regarding noise levels, alcoholic beverage consumption, and closing hours will be arrested and/or evicted. *Remember*, all pets must be on a leash and attended at all times.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS: STARVED ROCK STATE PARK OFFICE 815-667-4726
STATE POLICE 815-224-1150
AMBULANCE 815-667-4444

***YOUTH MUST REMAIN ON MARKED TRAILS WHILE HIKING.
YOUTH GROUPS MUST BE SUPERVISED AT ALL TIMES, ESPECIALLY WHILE IN
SHOWER BUILDINGS & ON HIKING TRAILS***

VISITOR PARKING AT CAMPGROUND ENTRANCE IS LIMITED TO 2 HOURS

APPLICATION FOR GROUP CAMP RESERVATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Reservations are accepted beginning January 1st of the camping year. Complete all information requested. Send the entire application directly to the park along with a check or money order for **\$5.00**. Reservations are not final until confirmed by the park office and confirmation notice sent to applicant. Camping rate will be \$2.00 per person or a minimum of \$20.00.

Group Name (if applicable): _____

Person Responsible: _____ Number of Participants: Adults: _____ Youth _____

Address: _____ Park Address: Starved Rock State Park

City, State, Zip _____ P.O. Box 509 _____

Birthdate: _____ Utica, IL 61373 _____

Home Phone: _____ 815-667-4726 _____

Work Phone: _____

FIRST CHOICE: _____ **SECOND CHOICE:** _____
From To From To

Arrival Time ____:____ Departure Time:____:____ Arrival Time ____:____ Departure Time:____:____

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PLEASE NOTE: A Group Camp reservation does not indicate exclusive use of the group camp area. Carrying capacity of the area, as determined by site management, will dictate the number of groups allowed at any given time.
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REMEMBER:

- ▶ Reservations held until 10:00 p.m. Check out is 3:00 p.m.
- ▶ Group camping is subject to all statues and administrative rules governing the park, which are posted at the site. Additional site-specific rules will be sent with your confirmation notice. Any violations will result in the revocation of this permit and denial of future requests.
- ▶ Reservations are accepted by mail beginning January 1st of each camping year and in-person only. No telephone reservations.
- ▶ Reservation Fee (\$5.00) must accompany application.
- ▶ Reservation Fees are non-refundable unless area is closed by the Department of Natural Resources.
- ▶ Make check payable to DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES, STARVED ROCK STATE PARK

I HAVE READ THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE YOUTH GROUP CAMPGROUND AND UNDERSTAND THE CONDITIONS OF THIS APPLICATION.

Signature of Applicant: _____