

Mather Campground

Welcome to Mather Campground. Named for the first director of the National Park Service, it is the largest campground in Grand Canyon National Park.

Operations

All sites are assigned. Changing sites may not be possible due to limited availability. Please do not move once checked in unless approved by the park ranger at the kiosk.

Commercial groups: Must stay in Sage Loop.

Sites 1–319: Limited to six people, three tents, and two vehicles.

Group sites: S1, S2, S3, S6, and S7 may have up to 50 people and three vehicles; sites S4 and S5 may have up to 25 people with two vehicles.

Services

Drinking water: See map for locations. Water is a precious resource; use it conservatively.

Firewood: Purchase wood at Canyon Village Market. Do not gather firewood.

Pay showers, laundry, and change:

Available at Camper Services. Check *The Guide* for hours.

Water tanks: Fill at the dump station near Camper Services. Do not attach hoses to campground faucets.

Rules and Regulations

Quiet hours: 10 pm to 6 am. Please be considerate of your fellow campers throughout the day.

Generator hours: 7–9 am and 6–8 pm. Generators may not be used in Pine Loop.

Check in/out time: Check in at noon; check out at 11 am. If sites are available, renew after 9 am. Stays limited to 7 consecutive days and 30 days per calendar year.

Fires: Limited to camp stoves and fire rings provided at each site. Drown fires completely before leaving the site, even for a short while. Do not construct rock fire rings or put ashes and charcoal in dumpsters.

Vehicles: Cars, trucks, motorcycles, and trailers, must remain on the pavement. Do not park in the road. Maximum vehicle length: 30 feet (9 m).

Washing: Do not bathe, wash dishes, or do laundry at water spigots. Wash at your site and flush tainted water down the toilets. Do not scatter wastewater.

Trenching and digging: To prevent erosion, ground disturbance is not permitted.

Pets: Must be kept on a leash and under physical control at all times. For the safety of your pet, do not leave them unattended. Pets are not permitted below the rim, on shuttle buses, or in buildings.

Protect Wildlife

Grand Canyon hosts a variety of wildlife—elk, deer, ravens, ground squirrels, and even mountain lions. To ensure healthy wildlife and to protect your belongings:

Food: Store food and trash in your vehicle or hardsided containers. Hanging trash sacks from trees does not keep them out of the reach of ravens. Do not leave pet food outside.

Hanging items: All clotheslines, hammocks, and sports nets must be taken down when not in immediate use.

Trash: Deposit in the green dumpsters. Do not leave trash unattended—ravens and other animals will scatter it. You are responsible for cleaning up your site.

