

Seven Bends State Park

Kayak Rentals

Frequently Asked Questions

How much are kayak rentals? \$25 for the day

How does it work? Rent your kayak at <https://reservevaparks.com>. Select Seven Bends and enter the day you want to rent the kayak as the start and end date. Then click Kayak for type of rental. On the day of your reservation, go to the Hollingsworth access to pick up the kayak. At the end of your experience, return the kayak at the Lupton access.

How far in advance can a guest rent a kayak? Seven days. Any further out will lead to an increase in potential refund requests due to unpredictable weather.

Can I rent a kayak while at the park for the same day? Yes. Renters will still need the ability to go online, reserve a kayak, then check out. Upon check out users will need to call the park at 540-328-0847 and provide the confirmation number to receive their unlock code.

How many kayaks can one guest rent at a time? As many that are available at the time of rental. There are a total of eight kayaks. Each one will need to be reserved individually, though.

Can a guest rent a kayak for multiple days? Kayaks are rented by the day. If a guest wanted multiple days of use, they would have to complete individual day transactions for the number of days they wanted.

What equipment comes with a kayak rental? Kayak rentals come with an adult PFD, a youth PFD, a whistle and a kayak paddle.

What types of kayaks are available for rent? Park kayaks are 10 feet long sit-in style kayaks.

Are users required to wear their life jacket while kayaking? Yes. ALL users of park rented kayaks must wear their PFD while in use. Rentals come with an adult PFD and a youth PFD. Users can simply store the unused PFD in the boat during use.

Does the park offer shuttles with kayak rentals? *No. Users are responsible for the entirety of their trip. Kayak trips can be completed in a number of ways: Bringing two vehicles and parking one at the put in and take out each (parking fees required for each vehicle); leaving a bike at one location to bike to the other; hiking from one access to the other.*

Can my child use a kayak on their own? *It is the renter's responsibility that any kayak user is capable of safe operation of the kayak. We provide youth sizes PFDs for users under 90 pounds.*

Will we rent kayaks during inclement weather? *During periods of obvious and predictable dangerous water conditions (i.e. flooding), park staff will disable rentals online.*

What river conditions are safe for kayaking? *Renters must acknowledge this statement and provided parameters in their confirmation email:*

- Engaging in outdoor activities carries inherent hazards and risks, including serious injury and death. Participants should be aware and willingly assume these risks, understanding that adverse weather and current conditions can add to the inherent dangers.
- It is the responsibility of the participant to research and understand the current and predicted conditions prior to rental. River conditions can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3TEgu1T>
- Participants should adhere to following parameters:
 - River water temperature should be above 60 degrees Fahrenheit*
 - River water temperature plus air temperature should be above 110 degrees Fahrenheit*
 - River gauge height should be between 2.5 feet and 4.5 feet
 - It is not recommended to engage in river activities for 24 hours following heavy precipitation
 - Personal floatation device must be worn by all users
 - Drug or alcohol use with rented equipment is prohibited
 - All rental equipment will be left according to posted instructions at the Lupton Access prior to 8 p.m. on day of rental
- Failure to adhere to any of these safety statements could lead to forfeiture of rental equipment without refund, additional fines, fees and/or charges, or legal prosecution.

Am I responsible for damage to park rented kayaks and associated equipment? *Yes. A statement of charges will be provided to the renter if damage is incurred to any rental equipment that renders it inoperable. Furthermore, if a kayak is not returned by 8 p.m. on the day of rental users will be responsible for additional charges.*

Can I float the park section of river more than once? *Yes. Guests have rented the park's equipment for the entire day. If guests have the ability to safely transport equipment, they may do so but must keep in mind that they are also responsible for any/all damages incurred to equipment. Park staff are not responsible for any shuttling of people or equipment throughout the day aside from returning kayaks at the end of the day.*

Can my child ride with me in a kayak? *No. All our rental kayaks are single rider kayaks not designed for more than one user.*

Can I get a refund on my rental if I don't use it? *The park can offer refunds for situations that were outside of the renter's control. For example: sudden and rapid changes in weather, issues or problems with park equipment, over booking situations or exigent circumstances.*

A well planned and safe activity
is the key to having a relaxing
and fulfilling experience!

