

Title 22. Public Property

Chapter XII. State Parks Division, Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism

Subchapter A. Generally

Part 71. Minimum Hours of Operation and Guidelines for Facility Hours

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"Park Directive 1050.1".

"Replaces PD 1050 dated Dec. 7, 2018 – Hours of Operation, Opening and Closing Dates, and Holidays in State Park Facilities for 2019".

"Related PD's: PD 3020 dated July 1, 1975 – Closing Hours".

Subpart 1. Generally

22 CAR § 71-101. Purpose.

This part establishes minimum hours of operation and guidelines to ensure consistent facility hours for all State Parks Division properties.

Authority. Arkansas Code § 24-4-104.

22 CAR § 71-102. Minimum hours of operation and guidelines for facility hours.

(a) State Parks Division properties (including state parks and museums) and their facilities will be available to the public during reasonable hours and for regular periods with appropriate standards to ensure the health, safety, and accessibility of visitors and personnel.

(b)(1) State park day-use properties (e.g., playgrounds, swimming beaches, trails, overlooks, scenic vistas, parking areas) will open at sunrise and close one (1) hour after sunset daily.

(2) This excludes days and times with posted hours of operation or during specific special events or programs.

(c) Posted guidelines will set forth park-by-park facility operating hours with the minimum days/times that the division's properties will be open to the public defined as:

(1) Year-round facilities will be open Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with extended weekday and weekend hours at the discretion of the Director of the State Parks Division;

(2) The division's museum properties will be open to the public Wednesday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with extended weekday and weekend hours at the discretion of the director;

(3) Select parks and facilities may be closed on state holidays at the discretion of the director;

(4) The division's Central Office and regional administrative offices will operate during regular state government business hours; and

(5) All hours of operation will be reviewed annually by the director and posted on the division website.

Authority. Arkansas Code § 24-4-104.