It is the policy of the Department to establish consistent and uniform statewide guidelines which all park units will follow to ensure that accessible campsites are available for park visitors with disabilities, while maximizing campground occupancy.

This Departmental Notice provides employees with information for implementation of this policy.

1. All designated accessible campsites must meet Department standards as referenced in the Access to Parks Guidelines.

2. Accessible campsites must be held for visitors with disabilities until all other sites have been filled.

3. After all other campsites have been filled, accessible campsites are to be made available immediately on a first-come, first-served basis.

4. Occupancy of an accessible campsite by a person without a disability will be on a day-to-day basis. If an accessible campsite is occupied by a person without a disability and a person with a disability arrives at check-in time, the person with the disability has preference for that site.

5. As brochures and park information are updated, they should include the following statement:

   Campers with disabilities should contact the park office to inquire about current site availability and accessible park features to determine if they meet their specific needs.

If you have questions about this notice, please contact Betty Ettinger in the Park Services Division at (916) 653-8776 or CALNET 453-8776.

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