

TVA DAY USE AREA AND PAVILION RULES

TVA provides these facilities for your convenience and enjoyment. TVA offers group picnic pavilions at some of its recreation sites. Unless otherwise posted, pavilion use is free of charge and is available on a first-come basis each day. Pavilions at Melton Hill Dam, Douglas Dam, and Cherokee Dam may be reserved and rented by calling the campground adjacent to the day use area. See [Vista's Tennessee Campground](#) site for contact information. Successful operation of these areas depends upon your cooperation and compliance with the following rules.

1. Observe all posted signs and rules.
2. Facilities, including picnic pavilions, are available on a first-come, first-served basis from 6am - 10pm daily.
3. Parked vehicles must not hinder traffic flow or cause safety hazards or site damage. Park in designated parking areas only.
4. All vehicles and equipment must be completely removed from area upon departure.
5. Camping and overnight use are prohibited.
6. Commercial use or operations are prohibited.
7. Confine fish cleaning waste disposal to areas and methods that do not impair water, produce offensive odors, or attract unwanted animals.
8. Place all garbage and refuse in trash cans or dumpsters.
9. Fires shall be confined to metal fire rings, fireplaces, grills, or existing rock rings. Constructing new rock rings is prohibited.
10. Do not cut, damage, pull up, or drive nails into trees or shrubs.
11. FIREWORKS AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE PROHIBITED.
12. FIREARMS ARE PROHIBITED EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY NOTED. While firearms and weapons are generally prohibited, possession of firearms and other weapons associated with in-season hunting excursions are permissible if they are unloaded and properly cased. Possession of firearms at TVA public boat ramps (and associated roads and parking areas when used in conjunction with a boat ramp) is allowed if the possession complies with the law of the state where the boat ramp is located and is not otherwise prohibited by law. Otherwise firearms and weapons are prohibited.
13. Smoking, washing dishes, and washing laundry in bathrooms is prohibited.

14. The operation or use of any noise-producing device in such a manner as to unreasonably disturb, annoy, or endanger persons is prohibited.
15. Motorized recreational vehicles must have a valid state registration, a licensed operator, and be operated in a safe manner. They shall only be used on designated roadways and for the purpose of transportation into and out of the area. Motorized scooters are only allowed for those individuals with mobility impairment.
16. Pets must be penned, caged, or on a leash no longer than 6 feet, **at all times**.
17. Pets are prohibited on beaches, adjacent sunbathing areas, in picnic areas, inside bathrooms, or in any building.
18. Animals considered dangerous or are a nuisance are not permitted. Review the Department of Justice's [Commonly Asked Questions](#) regarding service animal access and [2010 Revised ADA Requirements](#) for service animals for more information.
19. Bicycle, skateboard, or scooter riding is prohibited from dusk to dawn. Safety helmets should be worn for these activities; state helmet laws apply.
20. Observe posted speed limits throughout the campground and adjacent day use areas - watch for children!
21. REPORT ALL DISTURBANCES TO TVA SECURITY AT 1-800-824-3861 or CALL the local SHERIFF'S OFFICE in case of an emergency.