

# **Conservation Area Regulations and Guidelines**

Our conservation areas are special places where people can connect with the outdoors. As well, many of these areas have important natural heritage features. Because conservation areas are unique places, they require unique rules to protect them and their visitors alike.

## Day Use Hours

- The conservation area is open to day use visitors from dawn to dusk.
- Visit grandriver.ca/activitystatus for up-to-the-minute information like operating hours and the status of various activities.

## Camping

- Campsite guests not registered to a campsite may visit during day use hours only.
- · All overnight vehicles must display a valid permit.

### Alcohol, Cannabis and Smoking

- A total alcohol and cannabis ban is in effect on Victoria Day and Labour Day long weekends. This ban prohibits the use or consumption of alcohol and cannabis in the conservation area at all times. When a total ban is not in effect, alcohol may be consumed on a registered campsite only, or according to a Special Occasions Permit at a designated area.
- Smoking cannabis or tobacco, or vaping, is not permitted in designated swimming areas such as pools, splash pads or on the sand portion of beaches. As well, smoking cannabis or tobacco, or vaping, is not permitted within 9 metres of any building or within 20 metres of a playground.

### Noise, Conduct and safety

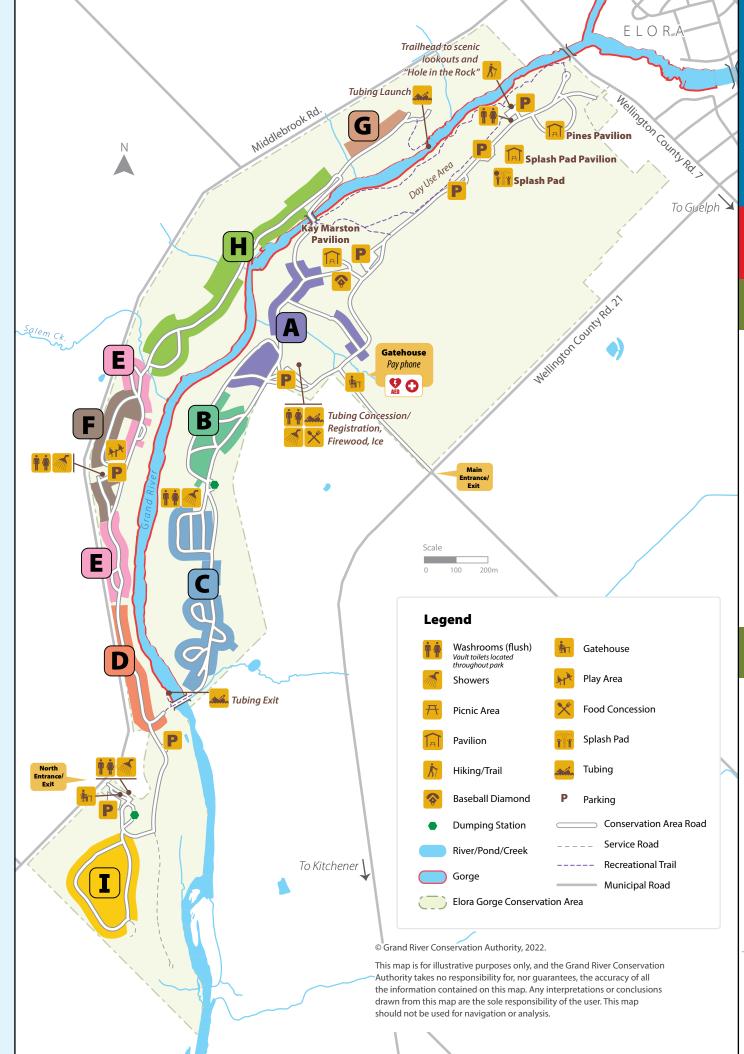
- Quiet hours are in effect from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily. Excessive noise at any time is not permitted. Please note that audio devices may not be used in radio-free areas at any time.
- Physical or verbal abuse of conservation area visitors and staff is not tolerated and may result in eviction from the conservation area.
- Fireworks and open fires are not permitted.
- Firearms including air, spring, archery or slingshot equipment are not permitted.
- Be aware of your surroundings and monitor the weather. Seek appropriate shelter during severe weather.

## Vehicles, ATVs, Drones, etc.

- Motorized vehicles are permitted on designated roadways only. Drivers must obey the laws of the Highway Traffic Act.
- The vehicle speed limit is 25 km/h, unless otherwise posted.
- The use of ATVs, golf carts, dirt bikes and snowmobiles is not permitted.
- Drones are not permitted.
- Bicycles are not permitted on trails, unless otherwise posted.

- Dogs must be secured on leashes no longer than 2 metres in length at all times.
- Dogs may not make excessive noise or disturb other visitors.
- Dogs are not permitted in designated swimming areas, including the sandy areas of beaches or pools.
- Stoop and scoop! Please clean up after your dog.

Should you have any questions about conservation area rules and guidelines, please ask conservation area staff. In addition to the Conservation Authorities Act, federal, provincial and municipal regulations may apply. Please note regulations are in place for the safety and enjoyment of all and to help protect our outdoor spaces. Failure to comply may result in fines and/or eviction without refund.



# **Elora Gorge Conservation Area**

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Elora, ON

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## **WARNING:**

**DEEP GORGE! STAY BACK FROM EDGE** 

## **Emergency Contacts:**

**POLICE** In an emergency dial:

OPP (NON 1-888-310-1122

EMERGENCY)

GROVES MEMORIAL 131 Frederick Campbell St. HOSPITAL

Fergus, ON 519-843-2010

POISON INFORMATION **CENTRE** 

1-800-268-9017

LOCAL RADIO STATIONS

Grand 101.1 FM, AM 1460 CJOY

# **Emergencies and First Aid:**

Please keep us informed of any situation where police, fire or emergency medical services have been called to the park. Staff will help coordinate the response to the appropriate location.

Cell phone coverage in the park is fair, but it is suggested to test your cell phone reception so that you may be prepared in case of an emergency.

A public phone is located at the gatehouse.

Both a First Aid Kit and an Automated External Defribrillator (AED) are located at the gatehouse. They are available when the building is staffed.





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