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Open-Air Group Picnic Area - Information Sheet

Morris Pesin Drive (Sites 1-4): 200 Morris Pesin Drive, Jersey City, NJ 07305

Freedom Way (Sites 5-7): 535 Freedom Way, Jersey City, NJ 07305

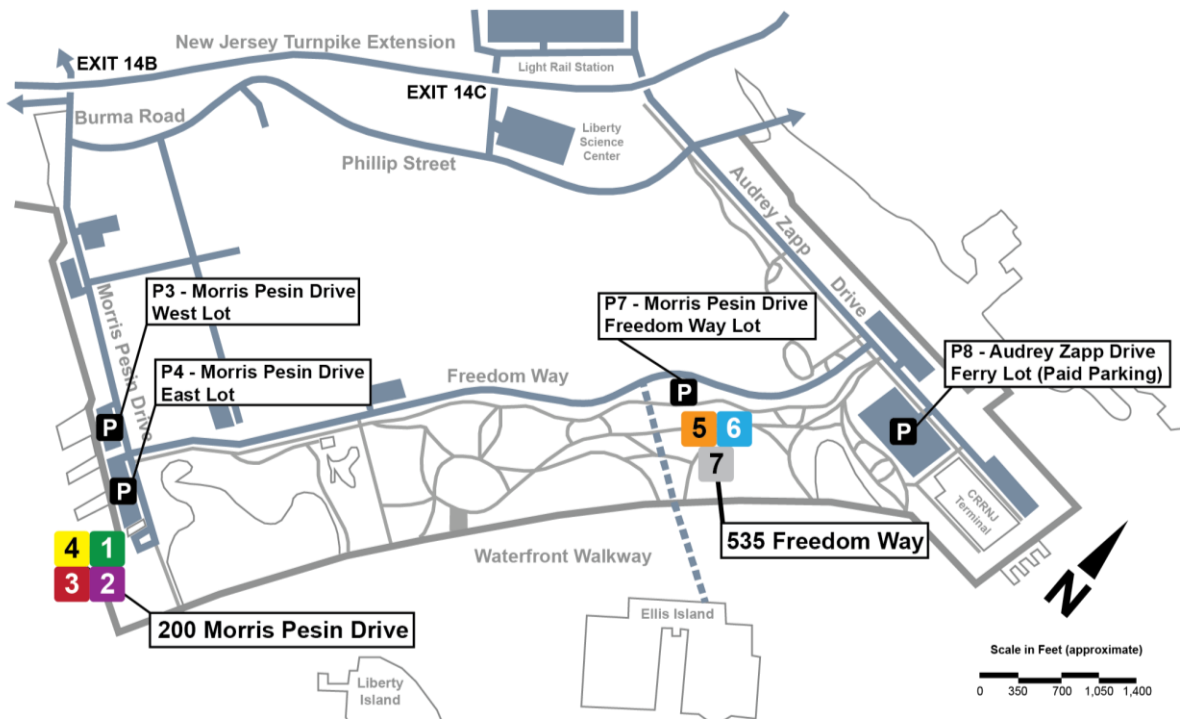
Hours: 9AM-9PM

General Description:

There are seven (7) open-air, group picnic areas available for reservation. Each are equipped with eight (8) picnic tables (8 ft.) and one (1) large, charcoal grill (30" x 36"). There is no fee for the use of a group picnic area; however, a permit must be obtained prior to use. **Only one picnic area can be reserved per group or event.** Applications will be accepted beginning January 10, 2022, for dates for dates April 1st – Oct. 31st, 2022 (*excluding July 4th*). To reserve a group picnic site, groups must have a minimum of 20. **Group size is strictly limited to 50 people.**

IMPORTANT

Applicant / Permittee must check in at the Park Office, located at 200 Morris Pesin Drive, prior to setup to validate the reservation and receive a placard to be placed at the reserved group picnic site. Failure to do so by 11:00 AM will result in loss of the reservation. At least one member of the party must remain at the picnic site after check-in.



General Rules:

1. No alcohol.
2. No solicitation.
3. No food vendors.
4. No balloons, stages, tents, additional tables, animal entertainment, inflatables (e.g., bouncy houses), dunk tanks or other similar amusements or rides.
5. No additional grills, propane, generators, or access to electrical outlets.
6. No DJs or live music. Radios must be kept to a minimum volume. Do not disturb other park patrons.
7. No vehicular access to picnic sites. Applicant and all guests must use designated loading zones. All vehicles must park in designated parking spots.
8. No nails, screws, staples, glue, or tape may be used to hang signage or decorations.
9. No markings of any kind, incl. but not limited to chalk and paint, shall be applied to roads, paths, walkways, trees, buildings, furniture, or other structures.
10. Rental use is for the day. Setup and breakdown must take place on the rented date between 9AM and 9PM.
11. All signage, decorations and banners must be removed after the event.
12. All trash, litter and hot coal must be placed in designated receptacles. Trash bags are available upon request at the Park Office.
13. Applicant must be 18 years or older.
14. Applicant may only utilize one picnic site. Picnic sites shall not be combined.
15. Wedding receptions/ceremonies are not permitted in the park.
16. Ticketed events, concerts, organized sporting events, fundraisers, walkathons, car shows, and similar events require a Special Use Permit. For information, please contact the Special Events Department, at the Park Office - Phone: 201-915-3400, Ext.104 Email: libertystateparkpermits@dep.nj.gov



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NJ Executive Order Requirements for Group Gatherings – COVID-19

Visit the NJ COVID-19 Information Hub [here](#) for the latest NJ gathering restrictions and guidelines.

Maximum attendance per event will be determined by the latest Executive Order(s) at the time of your reserved date. *This number shall not exceed the normal limits established by the State Park Service.*

The Applicant/Permittee is subject to full compliance with all applicable Executive Orders 107 through 215 (and any revisions to these Executive Orders) and all new Executive Orders enacted to stem the spread of COVID-19 and impacting the operation of State Parks, Forests, Recreational lands and Historic Sites managed by the Division of Parks and Forestry.

The Applicant/Permittee shall be responsible to comply and ensure compliance of participants/guests with all applicable Executive Order requirements, including but not limited to wearing face masks, social distancing and limiting group size. Applicant/Permittee shall be solely responsible for providing all Personal Protective Equipment necessary for the Permitted Activity and for cleaning, disinfecting equipment utilized in the Permitted Activity.

If the Applicant/Permittee or any member of the group is found to have violated any of the requirements of the Executive Orders related to stemming the spread of COVID-19, Liberty State Park reserves the right to revoke the reservation without refund, and the Applicant/Permittee may be subject to penalties including but not limited to fines and eviction.

Guidelines from the NJ Department of Health related to safe gathering:

<https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/reopening-guidance-and-restrictions/how-can-people-safely-get-together-what-are-the-limits-for-indoor-and-outdoor-gatherings>

Executive Orders:

https://nj.gov/infobank/eo/056murphy/approved/eo_archive.html

The applicant by his or her signature certifies that:

- 1) All rules and regulations and Executive Orders governing the use at Liberty State Park, including those under **N.J.A.C. 7:2** (www.nj.gov/dep/rules/rules/njac7_2.pdf), are understood and will be fully complied with by the applicant/permittee, their group and/or organization.
- 2) Applicant is aware that information provided on this form may be subject to review and inspection under the **Open Public Records Act N.J.S.A 47:1A-1** (www.state.nj.us/grc/pdf/act.pdf).
- 3) Applicant understands and agrees to the cancellation/refund policy detailed above.

Applicant’s Signature: _____ Date: _____



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APPLICANT NAME: _____

ORGANIZATION NAME: _____

PURPOSE OF EVENT: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

DRIVER'S LICENSE #: _____ STATE: _____

(Legible copy of license must be attached to application)

PHONE: _____ CELL: _____ FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____ ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE: _____

(Maximum of 50 people)

TIME OF ARRIVAL: _____ (Check-in required no later than 11 AM)

CHOICE OF PICNIC DATE: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____

CHOICE OF PICNIC SITE: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____

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Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

Below for official use only

Date of Picnic: _____ Color / Site #: _____ Staff Processing Application: _____ Date: _____

Date of Cancellation: _____ Name of Person Requesting Cancellation: _____ Staff Who Processed Cancellation: _____