



Pocahontas State Park Chesterfield

"Pocahontas State Park is located in Chesterfield County Virginia. The park has 129 campsites. The park has more than 80 miles of trails throughout 7,925 acres open to hiking, bicycling and horseback riding and a 200-acre Swift Creek Lake for fishing, canoeing and kayaking."

Green Statement: "We are a conservation agency and must lead by example. We always strive to reduce our environmental impacts, and we are focusing our efforts at Pocahontas."

CORE ACTIVITIES for Green Campgrounds

- Recycling.** Virginia Green facilities must have highly-visible locations/containers that provide the opportunity for guests to recycle. This facility pledges that they:
 - Offer the opportunity for guests to recycle: glass bottles, plastic bottles, aluminum cans, steel cans, newspaper
 - The campground also recycles: office paper, cardboard, batteries
- Reduce solid waste.** The facility must be actively working to reduce its solid waste generation. This facility pledges that they:

Registration / Office

- Online reservations of campsites.
- Printed materials are on recycled content paper and 2-sided
- Remove facility and staff names from junk mail lists when possible
- Reuse scrap paper for notes
- Reuse or donate shipping and packing supplies (peanuts, bubble wrap, etc.)
- Purchase recycled paper with a high-percentage recycled content
- Make double-sided photocopies and avoid making extra photocopies

Shower Houses / Restrooms

- Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
- Use high-efficiency hand-dryers
- Purchase recycled-content paper-towels and toilet paper

Snack Bar / Camp Store (if applicable)

- Use non-bleached napkins and coffee filters

Buildings and grounds

- Use reused building materials or those from sustainable sources
- Properly recycle and/or dispose of thinners and solvents (required by law)
- Perform preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles

- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides in landscaping

Use water efficiently. The facility must have a plan in place and have taken steps toward reducing its water use. This facility pledges that they:

Snack Bar / Camp Store (if applicable)

- Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Have installed rain barrels
- Maintain vegetative buffers around streams and ponds

Conserve energy. The facility must have a plan in place and have taken steps toward reducing its energy use. This facility pledges that they:

Heating and cooling

- Have installed ceiling fans
- Have installed ENERGY STAR-rated windows and doors
- Regularly perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system

Green Events Package. The facility must offer a "green" or "environmentally-friendly" package for conferences, meetings and other events. Even if the facility only offers occasional, small events, at least recycling will be provided. This facility pledges that they:

- We do not host conference or events

For more information on Pocahontas State Park, see www.virginiastateparks.gov
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Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices in all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. **Virginia Green Attractions** have been thoughtfully planned and designed to minimize their impacts on the environment. This attraction has met the established "core activities" for **Green Attractions** and has committed to communicate its activities to its guests.

For more information on **Virginia Green** program, see www.viriniagreentravel.org or <http://staging.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/PollutionPrevention/VirginiaGreen.aspx>.



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