




Sam A. Baker State Park Accessibility Information

The symbol  indicates that the specified area is fully compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG).

Visitor Center/Park Office

The visitor center's unique architecture can be attributed to the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) who, in the 1930s, built all the historic structures you'll see in this park. This building was originally meant to be a barn with a hayloft. Now it houses the visitor center, which holds many exhibits interpreting the history of the area; and the nature center, where you can see examples of local plant and animal life.

As you pull into the parking lot, you'll find a handicap parking space with an adjacent paved pathway leading past an information board to the entrance. Inside the visitor center there are accessible public restrooms.

Park Store

Helpful concessionaires provide cabin rentals, fishing/camping supplies, groceries, jewelry, t-shirts and much more. Handicap parking is near the entrance with an adjacent paved pathway.

CCC Shelterhouse/Day-Use Area

This lightly wooded area was originally developed by the CCC, as can be seen in the construction of the shelter. The shelter accommodates 70 people and has electricity, two group grills and extended-end tables. A concrete pathway connects to the parking lot, where four parking spaces have been reserved. From the parking lot, other paths lead to the accessible playground, individual picnic sites and restroom. Two water fountains are in the area, and the park's public phone is adjacent to this area and is accessible by car.

Modern Shelterhouse/Day-Use Area

This day-use area contains an accessible shelterhouse also accommodating 70 people, with electricity, two group grills and extended-end tables. Parking is level with a pathway connecting a water fountain and information board to the shelter. The vault toilet is not accessible at this time. The closest accessible restroom is at the CCC shelterhouse.

Cabin Area

There are 19 cabins; many built by the CCC. Cabin 8 has been constructed to be accessible with a kitchen area, a transfer seat in the shower/tub and ease in maneuvering. The cabin accommodates up to four people and has a deck and pedestal grill. Two parking spaces are assigned to this cabin.

Dining Lodge

The dining lodge was constructed with local stone and blends into its setting overlooking the river. Here you'll find a handicap parking space with an adjacent concrete pathway leading to the front door. Inside is a charming, rustic atmosphere with an accessible restroom available. The lodge is open seasonally.



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Campgrounds

Campground 1 is located just inside the south park entrance and can be recognized by its huge pine trees. The campsites are hidden among these and other trees in this level area next to the river.

This area has three electric and three basic accessible sites. The large showerhouse is totally accessible and has six level parking spaces on the side with both stairs and a ramp. An accessible vault toilet is also available for the off-season. The dump station is level with no barriers; but fresh water is from a hydrant with a pump-style handle. All water hydrants have concrete paths off the road for your convenience. A boat ramp is adjacent to the entrance of this area and is of corrugated concrete at an average slope of 7.3 percent. Parking is level with one handicap space.

Campground 2 has not been modified for accessibility at this time. However, there is one accessible site.

Amphitheater

The amphitheater, interestingly, was constructed in the same area the CCC would hold boxing matches. It has not been modified for accessibility, however, some visitors have entered from the CCC shelterhouse area behind the amphitheater with assistance.

Equestrian Area

This newly developed area has 21 campsites outfitted with tie-up areas, tables, lantern posts and fire-rings. Bases are of packed gravel and most are level. Most sites have shade. One electric site and one basic site are available with extended-end tables located on packed gravel continuous with the parking space. Water hydrants are located on concrete paths. An accessible vault toilet is available for your convenience.

Trails

The asphalt paved hiking/bicycling trail is a 1.5-mile scenic route that runs from the park store to Campground 1. The route has little slope except for a short length near the store that measures 7 percent. If this is a problem, the trail can be accessed at the visitor center.

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