

LOS VAQUEROS HORSE CAMP INFORMATION

DIRECTIONS TO: Take Interstate 8 East (for 15.9 miles) to the Hwy 79 exit (Japatul Valley Rd). Turn left onto Hwy 79N. Continue along 79N/Old Hwy 80 (for 2.7 miles) until you reach the turnoff for Cuyamaca State Park. Turn left. Continue on Hwy 79N for approximately 9 miles. Once you pass Paso Picacho Campground/Cuyamaca Fire Station, the turnout sign for Los Vaqueros will be on the east side of Hwy 79. Turn right. Continue along the narrow paved road for about a mile and a quarter until you come to a fork. At the fork you will see the Los Vaqueros sign and road gate on the right, turn in here. Continue along the paved road. The campground is at the end of the road.

Entrance to Los Vaqueros



Rigs & Vehicles in parking lot



WHAT TO EXPECT: The majority of the camping area is located on a paved parking lot. Trucks, Trailers, RVs, Campers, and personal vehicles will be parked within this area. There is limited space. There are two ADA designated parking spaces provided. The parking and camping area is one way in and out. Parking along the entrance road is allowed only if the grassy area has been mowed and is Ranger approved. There is a paved road that follows along in front of the row of corrals and has a lollipop loop at the end. Only small truck/trailer rigs are able to travel on this loop.

There is a covered “cabana” facility, several BBQs, a fire ring, and picnic tables which all can be used as an outdoor community picnic area. This is not a private camping spot.



BBQs provided

Cabana/picnic area



Tent camping, which is on not-so-level dirt/grass, is located in the area between the cabana/picnic area and the east end of the corrals on either side of the restrooms.

The corrals are 12 x 12 with no shelters and with two chain gate guards provided. Owners should bring extra rope and/or stall guards for added security. Be

45 corrals — all 12x12



Tenting area



sure to bring your own water buckets, feed bags, and long hoses to reach the limited number of water spigots. You may need to connect two hoses together to reach some corrals. There is a small, not-quite-level area to exercise your horse on a longe line way in the back of camp.

Restrooms/Showers



There are seven restrooms and four showers with hot/cold water. Only one shower is ADA compliant. The Park provides TP, but LFR does provide hand soap and paper towels for the restrooms and shower curtains for the showers. Please leave the facility cared for and clean after your use.

LFR CAMP RULES & REGULATIONS

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- 1. For LFR members** using the facility, CHECK IN time is no earlier than 2:30 pm on the first day of camp. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Be courteous and arrive before dark for safety reasons. CHECK OUT time on last day is 11:30 am. If you desire to ride your horses prior to check in, you can use the day-use area at Hual Chu Chuish. (Old Boy Scout Camp) Last day of camp, all riders must be back at camp by 10 am in order to check out by 11:30 am.
- 2. Entrance Gate** to the Los Vaqueros camping area requires manual operation. The gate swings uphill into the road leading to the camp. Once through the gate, it needs to be closed to keep the public from entering. The gate must be kept closed at all times.
- 3. No person** shall disturb others while in camp. No use of stereos, radios, etc. which will emit sound beyond your immediate campsite is allowed. **Use of generators is allowed only from 8 am to 9 pm** per LFR's rules. Quiet time is at 10 pm.
- 4. Helmets** are required for persons under the age of 18 for all LFR events when riding or biking.
- 5. Fires** are allowed **ONLY** in the established campfire rings in the picnic area or approved propane fire ring on pavement. **Fire ring is to be completely out (with water) every night by the last person at the fire.**
- 6. Vegetation**, the disturbance of any form of vegetation is prohibited. **Do not gather, dead or downed wood, plants, flowers, pinecones, mistletoe or like items.** Firewood may be purchased from designated store(s) or Ranger station(s).
- 7. Dogs** must be leashed at all times. Length of leash will be no more than 6 feet. Leash must be attached to a stationary object or under the immediate physical control of a person. At night, dogs must be kept inside a tent or vehicle. Vicious or noisy dogs are not permitted. Dogs may not be left unattended outside at any time. **Dogs are not permitted on trails, in the back country, or along waterways. See Park rules.**
- 8. Bicycles** are restricted to the pavement and approved trails. Helmets are required for persons under 18. Ride cautiously, and yield to hikers and horseback riders. **NO skateboards, scooters, razors or motorized bicycles allowed in camp. Minor children on bikes are restricted to parking lot, not past corrals.**
- 9. Horses** must stay on designated trails. Cuyamaca Peak Fire Road and all paved roads are closed to horses. Please read State Park rules for a more comprehensive understanding of trail etiquette. You are responsible to know the Park's rules while camping. Unless grooming or saddling, horses must be kept in corrals. Horses are not allowed in the "camping" areas, the asphalt parking lot and/or tent area for any reason but are allowed in the asphalt lot only for loading and unloading from trailers. **No tying of horses to trailers or tacking up is allowed in the asphalt lot area.**
- 10. Corrals** are limited to ONE horse each. Empty corrals are for day rider's use only.
- 11. Stallions ~ No stallions are allowed at the camp for any reason.**
- 12. Bathing horses** is prohibited. Please, **sponge baths /quick rinse only.** There is limited access to spigots at camp, so be sure to bring long hoses and share.
- 13. Shavings** are to be used sparingly because they create waste and are difficult to remove. Please do not use unless absolutely necessary. Recommended to use mini flakes or rice hulls only.
- 14. Manure Removal** is the responsibility of each camper. Place manure, shavings, and hay in either of the two designated campground trailers that are located near the bathrooms and the far end of the corral loop. Wheelbarrows are provided at each trailer. Clean corrals at least once a day. **Clean corrals completely prior to leaving. DO NOT** empty your water bucket inside the corral. Empty water into vegetation areas so that the corrals and area around them stay dry.
- 15. If blocking another vehicle, leave keys** on the driver's seat/floor in vehicles in case of emergency. Have an evacuation plan in mind. Alert others to your plans, riding schedule, etc., especially if you are riding or hiking alone.

With your cooperation, we will be able to keep the park clean and open to equestrian camping.