

North Okanagan Valley Gleaners Camping Guide

Use of our RV Park or the tenting site is restricted to those who have committed to volunteer at our processing plant for the duration of their stay. We do not provide spaces to general public.

Booking of an RV or tenting site needs to be done in advance of your arrival. The more lead time we have, the less likely there will be disappointments, should spaces be booked up.

There is no cost to use our sites. We expect you to volunteer for the morning shifts (Monday through Friday) in our processing plant. We welcome financial donations of any amount that you can make and that seems reasonable to you.

Campers will be given a key to our Processing Plant, where you have access to laundry, showers and kitchen.



Contact

Harold Sellers, Plant Manager, is your contact. His cell number for phone calls or text messages is 250-307-3543. Weekday mornings he can be reached at the plant, 250-558-5872. E-mail is novgleaners@gmail.com

RV Park

We have six RV parking spots. The RV Park is located at the western side of our facility. Look for the big sign and Canada & BC flags. There is a private house between the RV Park and the Processing Plant. The house occupants are not associated with the NOV Gleaners.

Tenting Site

There is a grassy tenting lawn located at the eastern side of our property, between the Processing Plant and the road. Six to eight tents can be accommodated.

Water

There is a standpipe with a hose attached, at the RV Park. This can be used to fill tanks. However, we do not have water hookups at the RV Park.

Electricity

Each of the six sites at the RV Park have an electrical hookup. Tenters, using the lawn area, will need to run an extension cord from the building.

RV Sanitation Facilities

Please, no dumping of grey water on site.

For sanitation dump sites in the area check:
<http://www.sanidumps.com/rvdumpscity.php?citynum=59&city=Vernon&cityradius=1>

Here are a few of the locations:

Lumby Lions Campground

- in town; roadside at the gate to the Lions Campground near the Village office off of Glencaird Street, on Lions lane
- donation requested

Anderson Way Superstore

- 5001 Anderson Way Vernon BC
- free
- next to the Superstore Gas Station; diesel is located on the outside pump; overnight parking in parking lot

- rinse water (non-potable) available at dump station; potable water available at service station
- dump station is big rig friendly

Husky Station

- 4500 27th Street at 45th Ave, Vernon BC
- big rig friendly
- \$5.00 or \$2.00 with fuel fill up

Internet

We have wireless internet on a low data plan at the plant, so please refrain from watching movies or other high data usage activities. E-mail and web browsing is not a problem.

The Plant Manager will provide you with the link and password upon your arrival.

The signal does not reach to the RV Park, so feel free to use the lunchroom while you are on your computer.

Please, do not stream audio or video. We do not have enough data capability since we must use a cellular connection for internet at our location. Heavy use will cost us \$\$\$!

Campfires

Small campfires may be permissible, however July and August are normally very dry months in this area and during drought periods even small fires may be prohibited by the authorities. Check online at the BC Wildfire Service for Fire Bans & Restrictions within the Kamloops Fire Area. Grassy areas and forest exist across the road from our RV park and camp site, so please exercise caution. Never leave a fire unattended and manage its size. Also be considerate of the farm family who live next door to the RV Park.

General Rules

- Respect your neighbours, both those on site as well as those living nearby. Keep 10:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. as a “quiet time“. No loud music please at any time.
- Again, out of respect for others, no alcohol, tobacco or drugs in or on our facilities.
- Pets are to be kept inside your RV or tied up at your RV site at all times. Please clean up after your pet.
- For your own security, please keep valuables locked up or out of sight –

including purses, cameras, laptops, etc.

- Be thoughtful in the use of shared facilities inside the Processing Plant so that everyone's needs are satisfied.
- Campers have access to the kitchen/coffee room, laundry area, washrooms and showers from 12:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.
- There is a camper's fridge for storage of perishable food items. All other food and cooking utensils must be removed from counters and tables and the area cleaned up by 8:00 a.m. daily. Please do not alter the way the kitchen facilities are set up.
- Be aware that we use a septic system which has limited capacity to handle waste. Please do not waste water – for example, “5 minute showers” are adequate.
- Bathroom facilities are available with the expectation that you wipe down the showers and leave it as clean as when you enter.
- All campers toiletries will be kept in their bags or tents, not in the kitchen or bathrooms as we are not able to keep watch over nor do we have the room in the kitchen/lunch room area for storage of camping or personal items. There is a large plastic storage chest inside the plant door, for the use of campers.
- Please use available cupboard in kitchen area by the door for storing food items or kitchen use items. Lunch room space is limited so please keep the floor free of campers items.
- There will be a close line available outside the tenting area for hanging swim wear and towels.
- Laundry machines are available in the kitchen but should not be used in the morning when the plant is operating.
- If you have small children along, be aware that the kitchen, and or plant floor, is not a place for your child to play. You will be expected to watch over them in your own camping area. The plant is not a safe area for small ones.
- There are sometimes wild animals in the area, such as deer, coyotes and bears. We have never had an issue with them, but sometimes the adjacent field is planted in corn and that is attractive to bears. Please do not store food items in your tent or outside your RV.
- Thank you for helping to keep our grounds, buildings and facilities neat and tidy. Be sure to take all your supplies and belongings with you when you leave. If you have leftovers in the campers' fridge, please remove them and clean the fridge.
- Before you leave, remember to turn in any keys that were assigned to you.

Thank you for your cooperation as we endeavour to make this a pleasant experience for us all doing God's work.