

AUKE PICNIC AREA RESERVATION SHELTER RESERVATION & FEE SYSTEM INFORMATION

Facilities:

The Picnic Shelter is located adjacent to a scenic beach on the northern shoreline of Auke Bay, once a village site for the Auk Tlingit Natives. It is the last shelter on the west end of the picnic area. It is the largest shelter with the fireplace and the stone retaining wall between it and the beach. Facilities include a fireplace, potable water hydrant, 2 outdoor cooking grills, 3 concrete picnic tables and a outdoor firering on the beach. The area is accessible by a staircase and fully accessible ramp and is serviced by 2 fully accessible vault toilets. It can be reached from Auke Bypass, (old Glacier Highway) approximately 1.6 miles west of the Auke Bay Ferry Terminal; or approximately 15.6 miles from downtown Juneau.

Parking is limited to the extended shoulder along the highway. Use caution when loading and unloading vehicles due to the hazards of highway traffic. Parking is limited especially on sunny days. It is recommended to carpool when the weather is nice.

Reservation System:

To provide recreational use that is compatible with the cultural significance of the area, **reservations are provided to individuals 18 years and older and non-commercial groups of 100 persons or less** who need assurance of the picnic shelter's availability for use on a predetermined day. **Note the shelter structure has a maximum capacity of 100 people at one time, whereas the maximum group size allowed to use the shelter and the outdoor facilities is also 100 people.**

Reservations are for the day-use period 6 am to 12 pm, May 1 through September 30. The picnic area and shelter are closed to use between 12 pm to 6 am daily.

When not posted as reserved, the shelter will be available to individuals on a first-come, first-served basis, with no fee charged.

Reservations may be made at the Juneau Ranger District, 8465 Old Dairy Road, Monday - Friday, 8 am to 5 pm.

Reservations shall not be made more than 180 days in advance of use.

Reservations must be made for a specific period of time rounded off to the whole hour (i.e. 10am - 2pm on June 1). To accommodate multiple groups on any given day, please reserve only what time is actually necessary.

A bulletin board is attached to the wall of the shelter for posting of reserved signs by the permittee.

Fee System:

Reservation fee is \$10 per hour with a minimum fee of \$20 and a maximum fee of \$100 payable at time of reservation. The shelter can be rented for a maximum of 18 hours per day. There are no partial hour charges, any portion of an hour will be rounded up to the next hour. Camp stamps, Golden Age Passport or Golden Access Passports are not accepted.

Refunds must be applied for in writing to the office which issued the permit prior to 10 days before the reserved date. The original permit must accompany the written request. One change in picnic shelter reservation date may be granted if requested before the above-stated 10 day period. See FSH 6509.14 RO supplement 95-2 sec. 154 for procedure.

Refunds are not made if inclement weather conditions or other acts of nature beyond the Forest Service control cause the permittee to not use the shelter at the designated time.