FAQs for SHELTER/PICNIC AREA RESERVATIONS

Which Conservation areas can be reserved for a wedding?
- You may apply for a permit for any of our shelters or picnic areas, if available. Choices may be limited based on the scope and size of your permit. Visit [http://www.mccdistrict.org/rccms/index.php/picnic-shelter-reservations](http://www.mccdistrict.org/rccms/index.php/picnic-shelter-reservations) for general information about shelters such as site capacities, amenities and basic fees.

What are the fees, reservation procedures and permit options available?
- This is dependent on the scope and size of the reservation request.

What is your cancellation policy?
- Refunds are issued at 90% on cancellations received 10 business days in advance of a reservation, minus the $25 non-refundable Special Use License Agreement application, if applicable. The District will not issue refunds, or carry over reservations, due to cancellations for weather-related conditions.

Do you have a vendor list for caterers, photographers, tent vendors, etc.?
- Not at this time. You are responsible for securing your own vendors and assuring that they follow the Rules and Regulations and the General Ordinances of the District. District staff is not responsible for deliveries or pickups. You must include these times in your permit application.

How much time should I plan for my event?
- Your permit start/end times should include time for set up and clean up and may be between 8 a.m. and one hour before sunset. Decorations, supplies, etc. must be picked up and removed by the end of your permit time.

May we set up extra chairs, tables, tent, arch, photo booth, etc. or bring in a grill?
- Call to discuss your ideas prior to making an online reservation. Some of these may require pre-approval and incur Impact Fees. Existing picnic tables may not be moved outside of the shelter.

May I decorate the shelter/picnic area?
- Yes, however nothing may be nailed or tacked to shelters or hung in trees and everything must be properly disposed of. String or heavy duty tape may be used to tie banners and streamers to beams.

May I drive supplies, equipment, food or guests to the picnic/shelter area?
- No. Motorized vehicle access of any kind is allowed in designated areas only. You may use hand pulled wagons, hand carts, etc. Official ADA equipment is allowed according to our General Use Ordinance.

Can we throw confetti, rice, flower petals or bird seed?
- No. These can be harmful to wildlife, introduce invasive species to the site, or are simply difficult to remove which has a negative impact on other site users experience on our sites.

May we have a band or use speakers?
- Bands, speakers, amplified or loud music are not allowed. Some groups have requested the use of a solo violinist for a wedding ceremony. Such requests are considered on a case by case basis and must be requested at the time the reservation is made. Sound may not be audible beyond the immediate vicinity of the reserved shelter.
May we serve alcohol?
• Yes, however all weddings of any size, and any group over 100 people, where alcohol is served AND all events where alcohol is sold, included in an admission price or included in ticket sales require Liquor Liability Insurance and a Special Use License Agreement application for a Special Request Permit. Please inquire about details.

Where do I get Liquor Liability Insurance?
• Ask your insurance company if you can get it through your homeowners or renters insurance. In addition, the District works with two companies, procedures and fees vary. Please inquire about details.

Do you have any wedding packages or sites for larger venues?
• Yes, see the three options below and call for additional information. These reservations cannot be made online.

-Fel Pro RRR Large Venue: $300 Residents/$400 Non-Residents, 200 people max
This reservation includes:
• A large grassy area 55’ from the parking lot to set up an event canopy, tables, chairs or wedding arch. The maximum canopy size is 1800 sq. ft.
• The main pavilion, which has indoor restrooms, electricity and several grills. This pavilion is approximately ¼ mile from the parking lot. There is NO vehicle access beyond the parking lot for any reason. For an extra $200 a District employee and ATV will transport people/food/grills etc. to the pavilion 2 hours prior and after event.
• Parking for 150 cars.
• Limited space in the parking lot for additional set up for large roaster grill, additional port-0-lets, etc. These are only allowed in the parking lot and must be pre-approved.
• The use of the reservation area the evening prior to your wedding for a rehearsal, based on site availability.

-Paulsen Shelter/Brookdale Large Venue: 300 Residents/$400 Non-Residents, 200 people max
This reservation includes:
• The Paulsen Shelter has an 80 person capacity.
• A large grassy area near the shelter to set up an event canopy, tables, chairs or wedding arch. The maximum canopy size is 1800 sq. ft. There is no vehicle access from the parking lot.
• Parking for 23 cars in the Paulsen Road lot and an additional 80 cars in the Brookdale lot. There is an ADA trail from the Brookdale lot to the Paulsen Shelter.
• Limited space in the Paulsen Road parking lot for additional set up for things like a large roaster grill, additional port-0-lets, etc. These are only allowed in that parking lot and must be pre-approved.
• The use of the reservation area the evening prior to your wedding for a rehearsal, based on site availability.

-Pleasant Valley Wedding Package: $300 Resident/ $400 Non-Resident up to 125 people
This reservation includes:
• Shelter 2 and the Amphitheatre on the day of your wedding
• Shelter 2 and the Amphitheatre the evening before for your rehearsal, based on availability
• Shelter 1 is blocked for reservations to ensure sufficient parking for your event. The shelter does remain open to the general public.
• An increased shelter capacity of 125 people rather than 80 people.
• Parking for 110 cars in the main lot and second lot.
• Limited space in the main parking lot for additional set up for things like a large roaster grill, additional port-0-lets, etc. These are only allowed in the parking lot and must be pre-approved.
• You may place up to 75 additional chairs in the Amphitheatre on the ground level only. We suggest placing painter’s cloth or something under the chairs. Chairs are NOT allowed on the tiered seating in the Amphitheatre for safety reasons. You may choose to place blankets or material on the seating tiers.