

Fee Information

Annual Permits

Adult Resident.....	\$ 20
Adult Non-Resident	\$ 40
Youth (15 & Under) Resident.....	\$ 10
Youth (15 & Under) Non-Resident	\$ 20

Daily Permits/Replacements

Daily Permit—Resident / Non-Resident.....	\$ 5
Replacement of Lost Permit.....	\$ 5

Permit Information

Annual Permits and Daily Permits can be purchased at the following locations:

West Des Moines Parks & Recreation Office
4200 Mills Civic Pkwy, Suite 1B, West Des Moines
Phone: 222-3444 Fax: 222-3459
Monday-Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm

Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge
2500 Grand Avenue, West Des Moines
Phone: 222-3424 Fax: 222-3658

Questions???

(515) 222-3444 or ParkRec@wdm.iowa.gov

In an emergency, call 911



Raccoon River Park
2500 Grand Avenue
West Des Moines, Iowa 50265

www.wdm.iowa.gov/Archery



Have a mobile device?
Visit our website or
download a permit
application here.



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The City of West Des Moines
Parks & Recreation Department
would like to welcome you to the

Raccoon River Park Archery Facility

The facility is the first of its kind in Iowa and features:

- Enclosure walls/fencing
- Overhead 'arrow curtains'
- Shelter over shooting area
- Staging area
- 12 shooting lanes
- Target blocks up to 40 yards distance



Please assist us in keeping the Archery Facility safe and enjoyable for all visitors:

- Purchase a permit for each person shooting arrows. The funds help offset the cost of operating the facility.
- Follow all rules in this brochure, as well as, those posted at the facility.
- Stationary target blocks are provided; each serves 2 lanes. To increase their life, use different areas of the targets blocks and use pins to attach paper targets.
- Archers must supply their own equipment, paper targets and/or any movable target blocks or 3D targets.

Archery Facility Rules

The Archery Facility is not supervised and shall be used at your own risk.

A permit is required to use this facility.

- The Archery Facility is open daily for use from dawn to dusk.
- Children 15 and under must be supervised by an adult at all times.
- Follow proper archery shooting procedures.
- Only shoot at designated targets.
- No broadheads allowed.
- No glass containers of any kind are allowed in the facility.
- No food or drink allowed in the shooting area.
- No alcohol allowed in the facility.
- No smoking allowed in the facility.
- Bicycles, in-line skates, and skateboards may not be used within the facility.
- Animals are not allowed in the facility.
- Clean up shooting area prior to leaving.
- No dry firing of bows allowed.
- Archery Facility may be closed without notice for any reason.
- Visitors not following these rules may be asked to leave.
- **The permit may be permanently revoked for any violation of these rules.**

Proper Archery Shooting Procedures

The following procedures have been established to ensure that the use of the archery facility is safe and enjoyable for all users:

- Verify that the entire range is clear.
- Give visual and audible/verbal commands to indicate shooting may commence.
- Only shoot a maximum of 10 arrows at a time if other archers are present.
- When finished shooting, place bow on rack or set it down and wait behind the shooting line until all archers are finished shooting.
- Give a visual and audible/verbal command that all shooting should stop.
- Verify all equipment is put down and remains behind the shooting line.

