

## WANUSKEWIN TIPI SLEEPOVERS TERMS AND CONDITIONS 2026

Thank you for booking with Wanuskewin to learn more about Northern Plains Indigenous cultures. Our Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator is here to assist you throughout the booking process, while our Visitor Services team will deliver your programming.

Please read these Terms and Conditions between the Convener (individual or group responsible for bringing people together for the purposes of engaging in programming as defined in these Terms and Conditions) and Wanuskewin Heritage Park Authority (WHPA) before signing.

### 1. GENERAL GROUP POLICY

- a. All Awâsis Package bookings include entry to Wanuskewin and access to the exhibits, trails, and facilities during business hours for attending participants and adult chaperones. Also included is private access to the Tipi Village during the night, three (3) programs, an activity, the *Bannock Bake* program, and breakfast. Extra program(s) in addition to the two (2) hours of guided programming can be requested for an additional charge at the time of booking.
- b. All Mâdawis Package bookings include entry to Wanuskewin and access to the exhibits, trails, and facilities during business hours for attending participants. Also included is private access to the Tipi Village during the night, three (3) programs, supper, a snack, the *Bannock Bake* program, and breakfast. Extra program(s) in addition to the three (3) hours of guided programming can be requested for an additional charge at the time of booking.
- c. A preliminary estimate of attendance is required when booking.
- d. **A maximum of thirty-two (32) people can fit comfortably in the Tipi Village with approximately eight (8) people per tipi.** Larger groups must receive prior approval from the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator and may incur additional set up fees to set up extra tipis or prepare other areas for tent set-up.
- e. **The Convener, adult chaperones, adult participants, parents, and/or guardians are responsible for the behaviour, discipline, and conduct of participants under the age of eighteen (18) at all times.** Poor conduct, disrespectful behavior, and/or dangerous activities may result in the cancellation of a tour/program or the group's immediate removal from Wanuskewin at any time without refund.
- f. Groups with participants under the age of eighteen (18) must have an appropriate ratio of adult chaperones to children. The required ratio is a minimum of one (1) adult chaperone to every eight (8) children. Groups that do not have the appropriate ratio of adult chaperones to children may have their booking and/or program(s) cancelled without refund.
- g. **Changes in how programming is delivered is subject to change any time based on the discretion of Visitor Services staff, available resources and staffing, and/or any safety protocols outlined in these Terms and Conditions or put in place by WHPA.**
- h. The Convener is responsible for any damage(s) to the premises (e.g., exhibits, galleries, tipis) and/or equipment (e.g., propane heaters, hot dog sticks, programming materials) caused by their participants, anyone directly or indirectly associated with the group, and/or anyone who acts on their behalf during the time that they are on the premises. The Convener will be held financially responsible for repairs on a cost recovery basis, plus administrative fees.
- i. The statues in the front Plaza are works of art and participants are not allowed to climb on or hang from them.
- j. In the event of inclement weather, space will be made indoors for programming when possible, and WHPA will provide an alternative space inside the building for participants to spend the night.
- k. WHPA is not responsible for the damage to or the loss of any articles or items left at Wanuskewin prior to, during, or following the booking. All articles and items that are found at Wanuskewin will be kept for two (2) weeks; if the items are not claimed in that time, they will be donated or disposed of.
- l. WHPA reserves the right to refuse bookings that promote values that contradict WHPA's mandate.
- m. Smudging or similar activities require pre-authorization from WHPA, and any fire suppression charges incurred as a result of these activities may result in extra charges, notwithstanding advanced notification.
- n. Some programming options expose groups to an open fire. Adult chaperones, parents, and/or guardians must communicate with participants under the age of eighteen (18) on how to act in a safe manner and not expose themselves or others to harm or danger when around an open fire. WHPA does not assume liability in the case of loss of life or injury from the use of an open fire during programming. Accountability and responsibility is placed solely on the Convener and adult chaperones, parents, and/or guardians—please refer to Section 1(e).
- o. WHPA does not assume liability for loss of life or injury as a result of authorized or unauthorized fire usage in the Tipi Village.
- p. WHPA does not assume liability for loss of life or injury due to programming. The Convener assumes accountability and responsibility for the safety and well-being of themselves and their participants.
- q. The Convener acknowledges some activities have inherent risks of injury to persons and property. The Convener assumes accountability and responsibility for the safety and well-being of their participants during these activities. WHPA does not assume liability for injury to persons and property due to equipment rentals.
- r. Liability or failure to meet the Terms and Conditions remains the responsibility of the Convener named in these Terms and Conditions.

### 2. TIPI SLEEPOVER POLICY

- a. A commissionaire will be on-site in the building overnight to keep the site secure and allow the group access to the bathrooms throughout the night.
- b. For safety and security reasons, no unauthorized guests (i.e., people who are not a participant) are allowed within Wanuskewin's boundaries outside of business hours without prior written permission.
- c. WHPA does not supply cots, sleeping mats, tarps, or any other camping equipment. The Convener is responsible for providing or ensuring their participants have their all equipment necessary for staying overnight.

- d. For the Awâsis Package, WHPA does not supply sleeping bags, cots, sleeping mats, tarps, or any other camping equipment. The Convener is required to provide or ensure their participants have their own equipment necessary for staying overnight.
- e. For the Mâmawi Package, up to twenty (20) sleeping bags and pillows are available to rent at an additional fee, subject to availability. The Convener is responsible for any damage(s) to the provided equipment (e.g., cots, sleeping bags, pillows) caused by their participants. The Convener will be held financially responsible for repairs on a cost recovery basis, plus administrative fees.
- f. The use of the fire pit outside of the guided *Bannock Bake* program requires pre-authorization from the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator. Any fire suppression charges incurred as a result of the use of the fire pit outside of guided programming may result in extra charges. Accountability and responsibility is placed solely on the Convener—please refer to Section 1(e).
- g. WHPA does not permit having a fire inside the tipis.
- h. Propane fires need prior approval from the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator.
- i. **When the Rural Municipality of Corman Park enacts a Fire Ban, there will be absolutely no use of fire on Wanuskewin's premises during the duration of the booking. Failure to comply with a Fire Ban will result in the group's immediate removal from Wanuskewin without refund. Any fines or fees associated with violating a Fire Ban and/or fire suppression charges incurred as a result of this violation are the sole responsibility of the Convener.**

### 3. FOOD AND PRE-ORDERS

- a. **In order to utilize the Restaurant for group bookings during business hours, a pre-order must be requested at the time of booking.** Supper is only included in the Mâmawi Package, and is available as an add-on for the Awâsis Package at an additional charge.
- b. Pre-orders may be suspended at any time on the discretion of WHPA. Contact the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator for updated information on pre-order availability.
- c. **Pre-orders must be placed with the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator at least ten (10) business days prior to the date of the booking.**
- d. Pre-orders for groups of thirty (30) or more people must be placed with the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator at least fifteen (15) business days prior to the date of the tour.
- e. WHPA requires at least forty-eight (48) hours notice before the booking date to make changes to the pre-order; requested changes will be accommodated when possible. **Changes to the pre-order cannot be made less than forty-eight (48) hours before the booking date.**
- f. The Convener will be charged for the guaranteed pre-order amount and a Square invoice will be sent for payment. Any orders added the day of the booking must be paid at the Restaurant till and is subject to the discretion of the Restaurant staff.
- g. Payment for pre-orders must be remitted by the Convener in a lump sum at least two (2) business days prior to the booking date. Contact the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator for alternative payment options.
- h. For any other pre-order or dinner, whether included in the package or an add-on, the Convener must provide a list of allergies and/or dietary restrictions for participants at least five (5) business days prior to the booking date.
- i. **WHPA supports the practice of participants bringing their own food in while at Wanuskewin,** but is not liable or responsible for any illness or injury as a result of outside food that is brought on site. Outside food cannot be consumed in the Restaurant, Exhibits, Art Galleries, or in meeting rooms.
- j. When eating outside food, the Convener and adult chaperones are responsible for ensuring that all garbage is disposed of properly in one of the garbage cans in the Visitor Centre, on the Trails, or by the Playground, or that garbage is packed out if no garbage cans are immediately available.
- k. If requested at the time of booking, the Convener may be granted access to an open fire in the Tipi Village for cooking purposes, subject to the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator's discretion and any Fire Bans in effect. The Convener is responsible for bringing all equipment they need as WHPA cannot supply any equipment for the purposes of cooking outside food over a fire.
- l. When cooking over an open fire in the Tipi Village, either during guided programming or with authorization from Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator, WHPA does not assume liability for loss of life or injury. The Convener, adult chaperones, adult participants, parents, and/or guardians assume accountability and responsibility for the safety and well-being of themselves and their participants.
- m. WHPA does not allow groups to bring their own bannock dough to cook over an open fire. This policy is withstanding as we offer a program of a similar nature (the *Bannock Bake* program) as part of all Tipi Sleepover packages.

### 4. LIQUOR AND DRUGS

- a. WHPA has a strict no alcohol or drugs policy. **Alcohol, marijuana, and illegal drugs are not permitted under any circumstances.** Failure to comply with this policy will result in the immediate removal of the Convener and/or their group at any time, without refund.

### 5. CONFIRMATION

- a. **A signed copy of these Terms and Conditions, along with a signed copy of the booking sheet, must be sent to the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator at least two (2) weeks before the booking date to confirm the booking.**
- b. **Agreeing to the Terms and Conditions when submitting a booking request online will be considered equivalent to a signed copy of the Terms and Conditions.**
- c. A guaranteed the number of participants must be sent to the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator at least seven (7) business days prior to the booking date.
- d. Should more than the guaranteed number of participants show up, WHPA will charge for each additional participant. If the number of additional participants means that the group will exceed thirty-two (32) participants in total, or it means the group will no longer have the appropriate ratio of adult chaperones to children, the group children may have their booking and/or program(s) cancelled without refund.
- e. The final balance owing will be calculated using the guaranteed numbers or the actual number of participants, whichever is greater.
- f. WHPA requires a signed booking sheet, a signed copy of these Terms and Conditions, and a deposit in order to guarantee the rate that was quoted during the booking process.
- g. Tipi Sleepover rates that are quoted more than a calendar year in advance are not guaranteed.

**6. INVOICING AND PAYMENT**

- a. A Square invoice for the full payment will be sent to the booking contact on file once the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator receives a signed copy of the booking sheet and the Terms and Conditions. The invoice can be paid online by credit card or at Wanuskewin at the front till. Contact the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator for alternative payment options.
- b. Payment in full is due seven (7) days before the booking date.

**7. TIPI SLEEPOVER CANCELLATION**

- a. If cancellations are received seven (7) or more business days before the date of the booking, deposits are refundable, minus a twenty-five dollar (\$25) administrative fee.
- b. If cancellations are received less than seven (7) business days before the date of the booking, the Convener may incur penalties up to one-hundred percent (100%) of contracted services.
- c. If the Convener does not give the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator prior notice of their cancellation, the Convener forfeits any deposits or payments already paid to WHPA.
- d. The Convener may request that the deposit for a cancelled booking be saved as a credit on file for future use. If approved, credits on file must be used within the fiscal year; WHPA's fiscal year ends on March 31 every year.

**8. EXHIBIT GALLERIES**

- a. Exhibition installations may be underway during the day of the booking. These installations may necessitate the closure or restriction of access to certain galleries or sections of Wanuskewin. The schedule of installations may not be known at the time of booking; as a result, WHPA reserves the right to restrict or change exhibit or gallery access at any time.
- b. No food or beverages are allowed in the exhibits or the galleries at any time.

**9. INDEMNITY**

- a. The Convener shall indemnify and hold harmless WHPA, its agents, offices, directors, and employees (the "Indemnified Parties") from and against all claims, demands, damages, losses, expenses, costs (including legal fees on an attorney/client basis and the cost of experts), actions, suits, or proceedings sustained or incurred by any of the Indemnified Parties which may be made, brought or prosecuted in any manner whatsoever against any of the Indemnified Parties, to the extent based upon, arising out of, or attributable to: (a) the acts of omissions (including, without limitation, negligence, gross negligence, strict liability, or willful, wanton or intentional misconduct) of the Convener, its guests or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, or (b) a breach of this Contract by the Convener.

**10. BUILDING EXITS**

- a. No portion of any passageway or exit will be obstructed in any manner by the Convener, their participants, or anyone directly or indirectly associated with or employed by the Convener. No exit door shall be locked, blocked, or bolted in any manner by the Convener, their participants, or anyone directly or indirectly associated with or employed by the Convener. The Convener and anyone who acts on their behalf may be liable while the group is at Wanuskewin. All designated exits must be visible at all times.

**11. DOMESTICATED ANIMALS, WILDLIFE, PLANTS, AND BISON**

- a. The Convener, its guests, and anyone directly or indirectly associated with or employed by the Convener shall not touch, entice, pet or attempt to pet, harass, or feed wildlife within the park or the bison on site. The Convener, its guests, and anyone directly or indirectly associated with or employed by the Convener shall not hunt, disturb, hold in captivity, or destroy any wildlife within the park or the bison on site.
- b. The Convener, its guests, and anyone directly or indirectly associated with or employed by the Convener shall not forage, consume, harvest, gather, collect, pick, or remove any plants, trees, flora, or natural objects from within the park, or move any plants, trees, flora, or natural objects from where they naturally occur. The Convener, its guests, and anyone directly or indirectly associated with the Convener shall not plant, bury, or add any plants, trees, flora, or natural objects to the site.
- c. The Convener, its guests, and anyone directly or indirectly associated with the Convener is strictly prohibited from releasing or spreading any non-decomposable items, or items that may damage the environment or wildlife (e.g., balloons, plastic flowers, paper lanterns, gum, etc.).
- d. WHPA is not responsible for any loss of life or injury as a result of the wildlife or bison, or as a result of consumption or contact with any plants or fauna at Wanuskewin.
- e. **WHPA has a strict no pets policy on site** for the protection of wildlife, plants, bison, and the pets themselves. Failure to comply with this policy may result in the immediate removal of the Convener and/or their group at any time, without refund.
- f. The only exception to Section 11(e) is for service animals who are trained to perform a specific task related to a disability or medical condition, in compliance with the *Saskatchewan Human Rights Code*. Emotional support animals and therapy animals are not considered service animals. Please see the *Saskatchewan Human Rights Code* for more information on this policy (<https://saskatchewanhumanrights.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/PolicyOnServiceAnimals.pdf>).

**12. FORCE MAJEURE**

- a. If performance of this Contract by WHPA is delayed or rendered impossible by an act of God, government authority, disaster, strike, civil disorder, inclement weather, or an emergency, this Contract may be terminated by written notice without liability.

**13. HAZARDOUS MATERIAL**

- a. The Convener agrees not to bring on to the property of Wanuskewin any material, substance, equipment, or object which is likely to endanger the life of or cause bodily injury to any person, property, or wildlife on site.

**14. PHOTO AND VIDEO**

- a. WHPA may ask to take photos and videos of the group for promotional materials, including social media marketing materials, which will be discussed at the time of booking. It is the responsibility of the Convener, teachers, and/or chaperones to know which participant(s) cannot have their photo or video taken, and to communicate this information with WHPA prior to arrival or while on site.

**By checking “I agree” on the Booking Request Form, you indicate that you have read, fully understood, and agree with all of the above Terms and Conditions; agreeing to the Terms and Conditions when submitting a booking request will be considered equivalent to a signed copy of the Terms and Conditions.**

Please email the Tour and Cultural Booking Coordinator ([tours@wanuskewin.com](mailto:tours@wanuskewin.com)) if you have any questions or concerns.