

2009 Canoeing/Kayaking Reservation Form

Name: _____

Date of trip: _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Launch Point: _____ **Launch Time:** _____

Retrieval Point: _____ **Estimated Retrieval Time:** _____

Number of Canoes/Kayaks: _____ **Number of People:** _____

Emergency Contact: _____
Name *Relationship*

Emergency Contact phone – Home: _____ **Cell:** _____

Vehicle Information: _____
Year *Make/Model* *Color* *License Plate Number*

By signing this form, I am acknowledging that I have read and understand all of the rules and regulations of canoeing/kayaking within Harris County Precinct 4. Additionally, I agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless Harris County, its officers, volunteers, agents and employees from all claims of any kind, character, type or description arising out of my use of Precinct 4 launch and/or retrieval locations. Reservation forms will not be accepted without a signature.

Signature

Date

Precinct 4 Canoeing/Kayaking Rules and Regulations

Precinct 4 offers launches at Jesse H. Jones Park & Nature Center, Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Gardens, and Pundt Park for those interested in canoeing/kayaking Spring or Cypress Creeks and associated waterways. Please review the following information and submit a completed Canoeing/Kayaking Reservation Form prior to using a launch at a Harris County Precinct 4 location.

- Notice must be given to the Harris County Precinct 4 launch and/or retrieval location **at least 24 hours in advance** of launch.
- Reservation forms must be submitted to the Harris County Precinct 4 launch and/or retrieval site prior to the trip.
- Canoes/kayaks may **not** be launched and retrieved from the same location.
- Please contact Precinct 4 facilities for specific availability/access information.
- Visitors should be aware of the water conditions on their planned date and route.
- All participants are required to adhere to Texas Parks & Wildlife watercraft regulations regarding boating and personal flotation device requirements. For more information, visit www.tpwd.state.tx.us/fishboat/boat/safety/life_jackets.
- Harris County Precinct 4 facilities do not rent canoes/kayaks.
(Tip: *SouthWest PaddleSports* in The Woodlands rents canoes and kayaks)
- It is recommended that all trips begin by noon to ensure completion before the parks are closed. Approximate trip durations:
 - Cypresswood Drive bridge (between Treaschwig and FM 1960) to Jones Park*: **4 hours**
 - Jones Park* to Edgewater Park (at Hwy. 59 and Hamblen Road): **2 hours**
 - Mercer Arboretum* to Jones Park*: **5 hours**
 - Pundt Park* to Jones Park*: **6 hours**
 - Riley-Fuzzel Preserve (Montgomery County) to Jones Park*: **8 hours***(Facilities maintained by Harris County Precinct 4 are marked with an asterisk (*). All others are operated by separate entities.)*
- Vehicles remaining at a Harris County Precinct 4 location after hours are subject to towing at the owner's expense.

Completed reservation forms and advance notice of canoe/kayak trips are processed at Jones Park, Pundt Park, and Mercer Arboretum Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Note: Precinct 4 parks are open every day of the year **except** Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.

Harris County Precinct 4 Launch and/or Retrieval Locations

Jesse H. Jones Park & Nature Center

20634 Kenswick Drive
Humble, Texas 77338
Phone: (281) 446-8588
Fax: (281) 446-8832
E-mail: jjp@hcp4.net

Hours of Operation

December through January: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
November and February: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
March through October: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Nature Center

Open daily from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Pundt Park

4129 Spring Creek Drive
Spring, Texas 77373
For reservations, call (281) 353-4196 Monday
through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., or (832)
527-7436 after hours and weekends.

Hours of Operation

December through January: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
November and February: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
March through October: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Gardens

22306 Aldine Westfield Road
Humble, Texas 77338
Phone: (281) 443-8731
Fax: (281) 209-9767
E-mail: mercercarboretum@hcp4.net

Summer Hours (Begins the last Monday in March)

Monday through Saturday: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Winter Hours (CST)

Daily: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information regarding launch and/or retrieval sites in Montgomery County and The Woodlands:

Montgomery County Parks Department

301 North Thompson, Suite 104
Conroe, Texas 77301
Phone: (936) 788-8325
Fax: (936) 760-6958
www.co.montgomery.tx.us/parks

SouthWest Paddle Sports

26322 I-45 North (Exit 76A)
Spring, Texas 77386
Phone: (281) 292-5600
www.paddlesports.com