



Florida
State Parks
18
JUNIOR
RANGER

ON THE WATERFRONT

Name _____

Date _____ Park _____

Whether you are swimming, fishing, kayaking, tubing, sailing, wading, snorkeling or discovering shore birds, many types of resource-based recreation happen on the waterfront.

As a Junior Ranger you will want to know about the different bodies of water and water-based recreation found in Florida State Parks.



It is important to be safe when recreating in or near water. Make a plan for your favorite water-based recreation.

1. You should always have an adult with you when you are in or near the water.
Who is going with you to do your favorite water-based recreation?

2. You should tell a friend or family member who is not with you where you are going and when you will come back. **Which people will you tell?**

3. When you are on a boat, you should always wear your personal flotation device.
What is another name for a personal flotation device?

4. You should swim only in designated swim areas. **Where is the a swimming area at the park you are visiting?**

5. On which type of body of water would you most like to recreate? See the choices on the back of this page!



There is more this way!



RECREATION ACTIVITY

ON THE WATERFRONT

Now you know how to stay safe while recreating in or near water. Complete the activities below to prepare your water-based recreation plan.

Circle the body of water found in or near the park you are visiting.

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| Ocean | Creek | * Pond | River | Saltwater Marsh |
| Gulf | Lake | Swamp | Spring | Freshwater Marsh |

Circle the equipment you will need to do your favorite water-based recreation.



List other equipment you will use:

Fill in your very own water-based recreation plan! You can use it on your next visit to a Florida State Park.

WATER-BASED RECREATION PLAN

Today I am going to _____ at _____
(do) (where)

I have told _____
(who)

where I am going with _____ . We are leaving at _____
(who) (time)

and returning at _____ . We will take _____
(time) (equipment)

_____ with us.
(equipment)