

WORKING CAMPERS KOA

Discussion Group

Chit-Chat among Friends

The Up-Down List

The listing is as reported by members during the 2018 summer season. The text following the rating comment indicates the number of responses submitted to achieve the level stated. Be aware that your experience may vary based on differences in personal interaction with leadership and staff, which may include working campers as well as locals who work at the campground from year-to-year. Reviews are not based on amenities but working conditions.

Recommended: No serious infraction or negative comments received from working campers.

Caution: Give serious consideration to these in that mixed reviews have been submitted of both positive and negative nature.

Unfavorable: Complaints of multiple varieties have been logged. They primarily involve poor leadership or immature management practices.

Categorically Arranged

Grand Canyon / Williams KOA	Arizona	Recommended	1
Tucson / Lazy Days KOA Resort	Arizona	Recommended	1
Little Rock North KOA	Arkansas	Recommended	1
Denver East / Strasburg KOA	Colorado	Recommended	1
Durango KOA	Colorado	Recommended ...	1
Baton Rouge KOA	Louisiana	Recommended	1
Bar Harbor KOA (Oceanside and Woodlands)	Maine	Recommended	1
Stanton / Merimac KOA	Missouri	Recommended	1
Twin Mountain / Mt. Washington KOA	New Hampshire	Recommended	1
Albuquerque Central KOA	New Mexico	Recommended ...	1
Cape Hatteras KOA	North Carolina	Recommended	1
Checotah / Lake Eufaulah West KOA Holiday	Oklahoma	Recommended	1
Point South KOA	South Carolina	Recommended	1
Mt. Pleasant / Charleston KOA	South Carolina	Recommended	1
Chattanooga North / Cleveland KOA	Tennessee	Recommended ...	1
Townsend / Great Smokies KOA	Tennessee	Recommended	1
Amarillo KOA	Texas	Recommended	1
Hayward KOA	Wisconsin	Recommended	1
Rawlins KOA Journey	Wyoming	Recommended	1
Vernal / Dinosaurland KOA	Utah	Recommended ...	1

Lena KOA Holiday	Illinois	Recommended	1
Benton KOA Journey	Illinois	Recommended	1
Wisconsin Dells KOA	Wisconsin	Recommended	2
Cherokee / Great Smokies KOA	North Carolina	Caution	1
Mt. Rushmore KOA at Palmer Gulch	South Dakota	Caution	1
Chicago Northwest KOA	Illinois	Caution	1
Jackson Hole / Snake River KOA	Wyoming	Caution	1
Cannonville / Bryce Valley KOA Holiday	Utah	Caution	2
Glenwood Springs West / Colorado River KOA Holiday	Colorado	Unfavorable	3
Benbow KOA.....	California.....	Unfavorable.....	1
St. Petersburg / Madeira Beach KOA	Florida	Unfavorable	1
Davie / Ft. Lauderdale KOA	Florida	Unfavorable	2
Hollywood KOA	Florida	Unfavorable	2
Crawfordsville KOA	Indiana	Unfavorable	1
Washington DC / Capitol KOA	Maryland.....	Unfavorable.....	1
Ludington East / Pere Marquette KOA	Michigan	Unfavorable	1
Muskegon KOA	Michigan	Unfavorable	1
Cherokee / Great Smokies KOA Holiday	North Carolina	Unfavorable	2
Pigeon Forge / Gatlinburg	Tennessee	Unfavorable	1
Bear Lake / Marina Side KOA Holiday	Utah	Unfavorable.....	1
Bear Lake / Trail Side KOA	Utah	Unfavorable	1
Moab KOA	Utah	Unfavorable	1
Virginia Beach KOA	Virginia	Unfavorable	4



Listing by State

Grand Canyon / Williams KOA	Arizona	Recommended	1
Tucson / Lazy Days KOA Resort	Arizona	Recommended	1
Little Rock North KOA	Arkansas	Recommended	1
Benbow KOA	California	Unfavorable	1
Denver East / Strasburg KOA	Colorado	Recommended ...	1
Durango KOA	Colorado	Recommended	1
Glenwood Springs West / Colorado River KOA Holiday	Colorado	Unfavorable	3
Davie / Ft. Lauderdale KOA	Florida	Unfavorable	2
St. Petersburg / Madeira Beach KOA	Florida	Unfavorable	1
Hollywood KOA.....	Florida	Unfavorable.....	2

Benton KOA Journey	Illinois	Recommended	1
Chicago Northwest KOA	Illinois	Caution	1
Lena KOA Holiday	Illinois	Recommended	1
Crawfordsville KOA	Indiana	Unfavorable	1
Baton Rouge KOA	Louisiana	Recommended ...	1
Bar Harbor KOA (Oceanside and Woodlands)	Maine	Recommended	1
Washington DC / Capitol KOA	Maryland	Unfavorable	1
Ludington East / Pere Marquette KOA	Michigan	Unfavorable	1
Muskegon KOA	Michigan	Unfavorable	1
Stanton / Merimac KOA	Missouri	Recommended ...	1
Twin Mountain / Mt. Washington KOA	New Hampshire	Recommended	1
Albuquerque Central KOA	New Mexico	Recommended	1
Cape Hatteras KOA	North Carolina	Recommended	1
Cherokee / Great Smokies KOA	North Carolina	Caution	1
Cherokee / Great Smokies KOA Holiday	North Carolina	Unfavorable	2
Checotah / Lake Eufaulah West KOA Holiday	Oklahoma	Recommended	1
Mt. Pleasant / Charleston KOA	South Carolina	Recommended	1
Point South KOA	South Carolina	Recommended	1
Mt. Rushmore KOA at Palmer Gulch	South Dakota	Caution	1
Chattanooga North / Cleveland KOA	Tennessee	Recommended ...	1
Pigeon Forge / Gatlinburg	Tennessee	Unfavorable	1
Townsend / Great Smokies KOA	Tennessee	Recommended	1
Amarillo KOA	Texas	Recommended	1
Bear Lake / Marina Side KOA Holiday	Utah	Unfavorable	1
Cannonville / Bryce Valley KOA Holiday	Utah	Caution	2
Moab KOA	Utah	Unfavorable	1
Vernal / Dinosaurland KOA	Utah	Recommended	1
Bear Lake / Trail Side KOA	Utah	Unfavorable	1
Virginia Beach KOA	Virginia	Unfavorable	4
Hayward KOA	Wisconsin	Recommended ...	1
Wisconsin Dells KOA	Wisconsin	Recommended	2
Jackson Hole / Snake River KOA	Wyoming	Caution	1
Rawlins KOA Journey	Wyoming	Recommended	1



Corporate Owned Properties

The following properties were listed as being Corporate Owned Properties (COP) in the KOA Annual Report published in late 2017.

- Albuquerque KOA Journey - New Mexico
- Angola / Hogback Lake KOA - Indiana
- Bar Harbor / Woodlands KOA - Maine
- Bar Harbor / Oceanside KOA - Maine
- Cape Hatteras KOA Resort - North Carolina
- Boston / Cape Cod KOA Holiday - Massachusetts
- Cherokee / Great Smokies KOA - North Carolina
- Dallas / Arlington KOA Holiday - Texas
- Lake Conroe / Houston North KOA Holiday - Texas
- Lake Placid / Whiteface Mountain KOA Holiday - New York
- Las Vegas KOA Journey at Sam's Town - Nevada
- Louisville South KOA Holiday - Kentucky
- Moab KOA - Utah
- Mystic KOA Holiday - Connecticut
- Naples / Marco Island KOA Holiday - Florida
- Nashville KOA - Tennessee
- Niagara Falls / Grand Island KOA Holiday - NY
- Niagara Falls KOA Holiday - Ontario
- Okeechobee KOA Resort - Florida
- Orlando / Kissimmee KOA Holiday - Florida
- Orlando Southwest KOA Holiday - Florida
- Philadelphia South / Clarksboro KOA - New Jersey
- Pigeon Forge / Gatlinburg KOA Holiday - Tennessee
- Santa Cruz / Monterey Bay KOA Holiday - California
- South Padre Island KOA Holiday - Texas
- St. Petersburg / Madeira Beach KOA Holiday - Florida
- Sugarloaf Key / Key West KOA Holiday - Florida
- Townsend / Great Smokies KOA Holiday - Tennessee
- Trinity Lake KOA - California
- Tucson / Lazydays KOA - Arizona
- Virginia Beach KOA Holiday - Virginia

Recreation Adventures Company

RAC is KOA's largest franchisee. Their headquarters is in South Dakota though properties exist throughout the USA. RAC has their own policies and/or benefits different from KOA, the corporation.

- Mount Rushmore KOA & The Lodge at Palmer Gulch - Hill City, SD
- Rapid City KOA - Rapid City, SD
- Seattle / Tacoma KOA - Kent, WA
- Astoria / Warrenton / Seaside KOA - Hammond, OR
- Cody KOA - Cody, WY
- Memphis KOA - Marion, AR
- Newburgh / NY City North KOA - Newburgh, NY
- Harpers Ferry / Civil War Battlefield KOA - Harpers Ferry, WV
- Washington D.C. / Capitol KOA - Millersville, MD
- Monroe County / Toledo North KOA - Petersburg, MI
- Steamboat Springs KOA - Steamboat Springs, CO
- Leavenworth KOA - Leavenworth, WA

Kampground Enterprises, Inc.

KEI is a significant franchisee in the KOA chain. They were founded in San Diego by Ted and Carol Bell when they opened the San Diego KOA in 1968. Family members have served on campground association boards, KOA franchise steering committees, and are active members of the outdoor hospitality community.

- San Diego KOA Resort - California
- Williams / Circle Pines KOA Holiday - Arizona
- Palm Springs / Joshua Tree KOA Holiday - California
- Flagstaff KOA Holiday - Arizona
- Grand Canyon KOA Journey - Arizona
- St. Louis West KOA Holiday - Missouri

KOA NEWS SERVICE (June 17, 2016) - A record total of 71 Kampgrounds of America locations have been awarded the 2016 Certificate of Excellence from TripAdvisor.

The total far exceeds the previous KOA record of 50 TripAdvisor Certificates of Excellence, which was set in 2015.

The TripAdvisor Certificate of Excellence Program, now in its sixth year, celebrates hospitality accommodations, attractions and eateries that consistently earn great TripAdvisor reviews from travelers.

The Certificate of Excellence program takes into account the quality, quantity and timeliness of reviews submitted by travelers on TripAdvisor over a 12-month period. To qualify, a business must maintain an overall TripAdvisor "bubble rating" of at least four out of five, have a minimum number of reviews and must have been listed on TripAdvisor for at least 12 months.

"This recognition helps travelers identify and book properties that regularly deliver great service," said TripAdvisor Vice President of Industry Marketing Heather Leisman. "TripAdvisor is proud to play this integral role in helping travelers feel more confident in their booking decisions."

Only 25 percent of Certificates of Excellence went to accommodations businesses in 2016. Restaurants accounted for 55 percent of the winners, and 20 percent of the winners were attractions.

Kampgrounds of America locations receiving TripAdvisor Certificates of Excellence for 2016 include:

Flagstaff KOA - Arizona

Grand Canyon / Williams KOA Journey - Arizona

Kingman KOA Journey - Arizona

Tucson / Lazydays KOA - Arizona

Crescent City / Redwoods KOA Holiday - California

San Diego Metro KOA - California

Santa Cruz / Monterey Bay KOA Holiday - California

Santa Cruz North / Costanoa KOA - California

Denver West / Central City KOA Holiday - Colorado

Durango KOA Holiday - Colorado

Grand Junction KOA Holiday - Colorado

Ouray KOA - Colorado

Milton / Gulf Pines KOA Holiday - Florida

Naples / Marco Island KOA Holiday - Florida

Orlando / Kissimmee KOA Holiday - Florida

St Petersburg / Madeira Beach KOA Holiday - Florida

West Palm Beach / Lion Country Safari KOA - Florida

Jacksonville N / St Marys KOA Holiday - Georgia

Lookout Mountain / Chattanooga West KOA - Georgia

Savannah South KOA - Georgia

Craters of the Moon / Arco KOA - Idaho

Benton KOA Journey - Illinois

Terre Haute KOA Journey - Indiana

Des Moines West KOA Holiday - Iowa

Salina KOA - Kansas

New Orleans West KOA - Louisiana

Bar Harbor / Oceanside & Woodlands KOA - Maine

Gaylord KOA Holiday - Michigan

Oscoda KOA Holiday - Michigan

Branson KOA Holiday - Missouri

St. Louis West / Historic Route 66 KOA - Missouri

Livingston / Paradise Valley KOA Holiday - Montana

Missoula KOA Holiday - Montana

West Glacier KOA Holiday - Montana

Carlsbad KOA Holiday - New Mexico

Las Cruces KOA - New Mexico

Santa Fe KOA Journey - New Mexico

Copake KOA Holiday - New York

Herkimer Diamond KOA Resort - New York

Lake Placid / Whiteface Mtn KOA Holiday - New York

Cape Hatteras KOA Resort - North Carolina

Cherokee / Great Smokies KOA - North Carolina

Wilmington KOA Holiday - North Carolina

Dayton KOA - Ohio

Logan / Hocking Hills KOA Holiday - Ohio

Oklahoma City East KOA - Oklahoma

Niagara Falls KOA - Ontario

Delaware Water Gap / Pocono Mountain KOA Holiday - Pennsylvania

Gettysburg / Battlefield KOA Holiday - Pennsylvania

Myrtle Beach KOA - South Carolina

Point South / Yemassee KOA Journey - South Carolina

Travelers Rest / N Greenville KOA - South Carolina

Badlands / White River KOA - South Dakota

Custer / Mt Rushmore KOA - South Dakota

Rapid City KOA - South Dakota

Pigeon Forge / Gatlinburg KOA Holiday - Tennessee

Townsend / Great Smokies KOA Holiday - Tennessee
Amarillo KOA - Texas
Lake Livingston / Onalaska KOA Holiday - Texas
San Antonio KOA - Texas
South Padre Island KOA Holiday - Texas
Cannonville / Bryce Valley KOA - Utah
Quechee / Pine Valley KOA Holiday - Vermont
Fancy Gap / Blue Ridge Parkway KOA - Virginia

Natural Bridge / Lexington KOA Holiday - Virginia
Staunton / Walnut Hills KOA - Virginia
Williamsburg / Busch Gardens Area KOA - Virginia
Wytheville KOA Holiday - Virginia
Wisconsin Dells KOA - Wisconsin
Douglas KOA Journey - Wyoming
Jackson Hole / Snake River KOA - Wyoming

