

Placement's Useful Information To Know 2017

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Artery

If you need to register your art piece or to find out where the Artery has placed your art piece they are located on the outer ring of Center Camp at the 6:30 Avenue. They are open daily starting Monday 8/21 (pre event) from 9am to 6pm (closed for lunch from 1pm–2pm). Artists should also check out the resources online before they go at <https://burningman.org/event/art-performance/artist-resources/>

Black Rock Rangers

We all know and love them – but how to find them in an emergency? They are located in Center camp just off the portal on the outer ring (ring road) at 1:00 (with your back to the man look to 5:45 & Esplanade). They also have outposts at both 3:00 and 9:00 at Ceremony. You can also flag down anyone with a radio and ask them to call a Black Rock Ranger for you.

BMIR (94.5 FM)

Burning Man Information Radio (BMIR) BMIR (94.5 FM) is the official radio station of Burning Man. Tune in for a wide variety of music, original programming, weather reports, traffic conditions and Gate reports, public service announcements, burn information, artist and participant interviews, event info, theme camp promos and much more.

In the event of an emergency situation BMIR will provide accurate, up-to-date information.

BMIR will start broadcasting live from the playa sometime on 8/25 or 8/26. They are generally up online before they are up over the air. The station is open 24/7 and is located in Center Camp on Rod's Road, between the Earth Guardians and Ranger HQ. The BMIR Production Studio is open daily during event week between 12:00pm and 4:00pm for you to record public service announcements and theme camp or playa event promos.

Burner Express Bus Service

Burner Express will be operating again this year and dropping passengers off at the Bus Depot, located at Juju & 6:15. Shuttles will transport participants from the Bus Depot to drop-off points at 6:00/E, 4:30/E, 3:00/E, 2:30/K, 3:45/K, 5:15/K or 7:30E, 9:00E, 9:30/K, 8:15/K, 7:15/K.

Coffee

Are you one of those Center Camp Coffee fiends? If so did you know that a few years ago they began allowing participants to bring your own cup? They even have a special line for folks with a cup in hand – I'm not sure if it's shorter but it's definitely more earth friendly – so bring your own CLEAN cup to fill with coffee and make your burn a little cleaner. Coffee prices will be \$3 a cup. The Center Camp Café opens on Sunday August 27th at 3pm and is open 24 hours a day through 3pm Labor Day Monday.

DMV

If you need to pick up your tags for your mutant vehicle – they are located off the Esplanade in Center Camp at the Keyhole. They are open daily starting Saturday 8/26 (pre event) through Saturday 9/02 (burn night).

From Saturday before the event through Wednesday of event week, they process Disabled Persons' Vehicles from 11:30am – 1:00pm, unless there are no Disabled Persons' Vehicles in line.

DMV Operating hours:

Saturday 8/26 – Wednesday 8/30: 11:00 am – 10:30 pm daily

Thursday 8/31 – Friday 9/01: 11:00 am – 8:30 pm

Saturday 9/02 (burn night): 11:00 am – 2:30 pm

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Driving in the City

Everyone by now should know that vehicle passes are required to enter Black Rock City. After you arrive at camp only *authorized* vehicles bearing the correct identification sticker may drive on the open playa. As always even those vehicles may not drive on pedestrian walkways (the Esplanade or A Street) or inside the perimeter at the Man. If you don't have an identification sticker you may only drive directly from Gate/Greeters to your camp via city streets. In other words "Park it and leave it!"

If you need to drive for any purpose you will require a vehicle permit sticker. Failure to obtain a pass (and affix it to your vehicle) will most likely involve a stop by law enforcement. If you'd like to avoid this, please talk to your placer on playa about a temporary vehicle permit. If you are bringing a registered art piece you can also obtain these from the Artery.

Unlicensed vehicles are not permitted to drive to/from the Airport. There will be an airport shuttle service that will be running approximately every 45 minutes in the mornings and every 20 minutes in the afternoons, dropping people off at set locations throughout the city.

Family Unification Network (FUN)

Did you know there is now a program in place to help reunite you with your lost or missing child? After you settle in, bring your kids with you and head to the Black Rock Rangers HQ at center camp (available daily from 8am – 11am & 1pm – 5pm) to register. All registered children receive an awesome wristband (like the kind that you see staff wearing) and you get peace of mind. While you're at Black Rock Ranger HQ, introduce your kids to the Rangers so that they know who to look for if they get lost or need help.

GARS (95.1 FM)

GARS is the Gate Advisory Radio Station. If you tune in you will find pre-recorded messages about what is going on at the gate for both your arrival and your departure from the city. The basic info will include such topics as: how long IS the line currently? and How long it will most likely take you to get from/to the highway? This station will also be used to broadcast up to date or emergency information (such as a gate closure). Since the info is going to be on a loop you will be able to tune in and get the information you need without having to wait through long periods listening to music that you may not like. Cool stuff that, especially if you have a vehicle that's not so good idling.

Gerlach / Empire Shuttle Bus

Due to low ridership, we are no longer running shuttle buses from BRC to the towns of Gerlach and Empire. If you must leave BRC in your own vehicle, see the In & Outs at Black Rock City section below

Health Permits

If you've applied for a health permit for your theme camp, Nevada State Health will be at Playa Info daily from Saturday 8/26 through Wednesday 8/30 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm for you to pick up your permit, ask questions and schedule times to inspect your facilities.

Ice

I know the question floating around your camps at the moment how much is it again? Everyone wants to know so they can bring the correct amount of cash onto the playa. Ice will be sold at 3:00, 6:00 & 9:00 again this year. Ice is \$4 for a 7lb bag of crushed ice or a 10lb block of ice – or – \$24 for 6 bags of crushed

Ice sales will begin on Thursday August 24th this year (that is the Thursday BEFORE the event opens). Pre-event ice will be available at Center Camp and new for this year, 9:00. They have asked that you please be patient if they aren't open on time, it's likely because they are working on some important infrastructure as they will be building while they are open for business.

Ice Operating Hours:

Pre event & Post Burn at Center Camp & 9:00

Arctica: Thurs 8/24 – Sun 8/27: 12:00pm – 6:00pm

Ice Nine: Sat 8/26 – Sun 8/27: 12:00pm – 6:00pm

During the Event

Monday – Saturday: 9:00am – 6:00pm

Sunday after the Burn: 12:00pm – 6:00pm

Labor Day Monday (Arctica only): 10:00am – 12:00pm

In & Outs at Black Rock City

Do you have all your stuff in storage in Empire? Did you not bring that special "whatever" that you can't build your theme camp without? EEP! There is a solution – if you are leaving the city before Sunday, August 27th at 12:01 am it will not cost you anything. After midnight on Saturday it will cost *each person* in the vehicle \$20.00 to leave and return. The Gate has requested that if you do need to make multiple trips you try to do so before Saturday as the Gate (and the line/wait) is ridiculously busy then.

How does it work? Before you leave camp make sure that every person in the vehicle has their ticket stub. On your way out of the city there will be an exit lane on the far right. Stop at the kiosks and wait for the Gate staff to come up to help you. They will ask to see everyone's tickets (just to make sure you'll be able to get back in). They then will give a wristband to each of the folks leaving who plan

to return. If it is after Saturday at midnight they will also need to collect \$20 from each person in the vehicle. When you come back through the gate on the way back into the city you will be asked to show your ticket stub and they will cut off the wristband. They will still need to search the vehicle and you will still have to wait in line with everyone else.

Kids joining you on the Playa?

Did you know that there is a family survival guide? There is! Check it out: http://z9hbb3mwou383x1930ve0ugl.wpengine.netdna-cdn.com/wp-content/uploads/2013_survival_guide_families1.pdf

Children 12 and under are admitted for free but they must have a kid's ticket: <http://burningman.org/event/preparation/playa-living/kids/>. Anyone over 13 requires a full priced ticket. Please be prepared to show proof of age.

Law Enforcement

Have you had an interaction with law enforcement (either good or bad)? Get to Black Rock Ranger station and ask them for a Law Enforcement Feedback Form as soon as you can. They go through these forms daily and your reports are used to help Law Enforcement deal with us better.

Lost and Found

We have amazing people who go to Burning Man and many of them will take things that they find and turn them in to Lost and Found next to Playa Info. (Hooray for Burners!). You can claim lost items during open hours (9:00am – 6:00pm) Wednesday 8/23 through Monday 9/4 and on Tuesday 9/5 from 9:00am – 1:00pm.

You can turn in found items 24/7 to the drop box, located right next to Playa Info if they are closed and/or search database for Lost items using a Directory terminal or personal wifi enabled device.

There is an express lane for anything that you may have lost that has a label on it. The lovely folks at Lost and Found also do a tremendous amount of work trying to return things to people after it's all brought back to HQ. If you want it back ***label it***. If you've got a camera or phone that you'll be carrying around with you make the first picture one of your name, email, and phone number. Help make their job of returning your things easier.

Post event report missing items by following the instructions on the Lost & Found web page which is located at: <http://Inf.burningman.org/>. Unclaimed items will be donated to charity

Media Mecca

Located at Center Camp Inner Circle and 10:30 (where 12:00 points towards the Man). They are open from 10am to 5pm (ish) every day starting Sunday pre-event. If you are planning on using any of your pictures or video for anything other than personal use you ***must*** register your cameras (video and still).

Medical

Located at Esplanade and 5:15; on the 3:00 and 9:00 avenues between Ceremony & Dance; and on the 4:30 and 7:30 avenues between Hallowed & Inspirit (just past the plazas). If it's a medical emergency anyone with a radio can get in touch with the Emergency Services Department for you.

Playa Info

You all know about playa info and how useful it is. You can look for lost friends, items, and camps here. There are computers that you can look up information here as well as hard working helpful volunteers who are there to try to answer your questions. Playa info is located at the corner of the center camp portal and the inner ring, at 1:00. Just look for the big blue "i".

Please note that if you see 'staff' manning playa info outside of the hours listed below that you may or may not receive accurate information from the participants who are having fun playing the 'oracle'.

Playa Info Operating Hours:

The Directory, BRC Map, and whiteboards are available 24 hours a day

Wednesday 8/23 – Monday 9/04: 9:00am – 6:00pm

Sunday 8/27 – Friday 9/01: 6:00pm – 10:00pm ***limited services***

Tuesday 9/05: 9:00am – 1:00pm ***Limited Lost & Found services available only***

Rain Plans

Have you talked to your campmates about what to do in case of rain? You should! Make sure that everyone in your camp knows what to do in the case of rain. The magic words? *'Shelter in Place'*. That means you, your bike, your mutant vehicle, and your magic unicorn. Traveling on wet roads makes them a bumpy washboardy mess – just don't do it! Take some time to put some emergency plans in place before you get to the playa so you are prepared. BMIR (94.5) will be broadcasting any instructions you may need, so bring a device that can safely turn on.

Recycle Camp

Recycle camp is located in the Center Camp inner circle at 6:00 (where 12:00 points to the man). They only accept aluminum cans (no glass) and are open from Monday 8/28 – Sunday 9/03 from 9am – 5pm

Sound Restrictions

Sound Policy for Camps: All large-scale sound systems must be located along the 2:00 or 10:00 Avenues in the Large Scale Sound Art zone. All speakers must be facing directly out towards the open playa.

Maximum Sound Amplification: No sound system may be larger than 300 watts. A maximum power amplification of 90 decibels measured 20 ft from the sound source is permitted outside the Large Scale Sound Art Zone. Theme Camps and ALL vehicles not in the Large Scale Sound Art Zone will be subject to sound restrictions.

Toilets

Banks of port-a-potties can be found throughout the city on radial streets on most blocks between Ceremony & Dance and Hallowed & Inspirit. The exceptions to this are:

Street	Front Banks	Back Banks
3:00 & 9:00	Eulogy & Fire	Hallowed & Inspirit
4:30 & 7:30	Ceremony & Dance	Inspirit & Juju
6:00	Genuflect & Hallowed	Juju & Kundalini

The banks of toilets on the open playa are placed to either side of the Man, just past The Temple, and at 10:00 and 2:00 at Awe & Hallowed.

And remember – If it wasn't made in your body it doesn't go into the potty. I know we all know this phrase by heart – but did you know the folks who throw things in there that don't belong actually threaten the event? Because the only way to clear that stuff is more or less to reach in there and pull it out and would you want to do that? Eww!

Volunteer on Playa!

Yes I know you've got a lot to do for your camp – but if you finish faster than you expected or would like to give a little bit more back to the city we all love, there are many opportunities. Just head over to Playa Info and check out the “V Spot”. Anyone that needs more hands to complete their tasks can post here, so it's your opportunity to help out an artist (or theme camp) who are a bit overwhelmed.

If you find yourself behind in your tasks you also have the opportunity to post here and ask for some help. In any case there are plenty of ways to volunteer and trust me it's more fun than work! :D

Will Call/ Box Office

Do you need to pick up a ticket at will call? Please stay in the right side lanes on Gate Road and let Gate staff know when they ask. The entire vehicle must go to the will call lot together for safety purposes. The Box Office (where you go to pick up your will call tickets and vehicle passes) opens at 12 noon on Monday 8/21 and will stay open 24 hours through 12 noon Saturday 9/02.

We assumes you all already know the basics like drive slow into the city to prevent dusting anyone, when you get to your camp park your car and leave it, be respectful of your neighbors, etc, etc. If you haven't already read this year's Burning Man Survival Guide, do it soon... <http://survival.burningman.org/>

Level, KGB, and Black Beauty
Placement Team Volunteers
4:30 Sector