

**-What to expect:** The Pigg River through Waid Park is perfect for tubing. Calm water and several sections of ripples make for an extremely enjoyable 1 mile float. There are 3 put in options available allowing tubers the flexibility to customize the distance and duration of their time on the water. Remember to keep your bottom up and feet first throughout the float.

**-The upper put-in** allows for up to 1 mile of floating. It will take approximately 10 minutes to walk to the access point with a 1 hour float to the 2nd bridge.\* (dependent upon water level)

**-The middle put-in** allows for a 1/2 mile float. It will take approximately 5 minutes to walk to the access point with a 30 minute float to the 2nd bridge.

**-The lower put-in** allows for a 1/4 mile float. The put in is directly adjacent to the tube rentals shelter. It will take 20 minutes to float to the bridge takeout.

**Additionally:** There is a playground located near the tubing takeout. Waid Park also has picnic tables, greenspace, restrooms and trails available for families who would prefer to utilize park amenities while others tube.



## Tube Rentals at Waid Park

701 Waid Park Rd  
Rocky Mount VA 24151

Hours: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm Saturday & Sunday

Phone: (540)483-9293  
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# TUBE RENTAL INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES

**Group and Weekday Rentals?** May groups or parties request non-weekend tube rentals? Weekday rentals may be available (contingent upon staffing). Please contact Parks and Recreation at least 2 weeks in advance. *Flat rates apply*

**The River:** Calm and shallow water with occasional ripples. Please stay in the river and avoid climbing on river banks. There are several pools in excess of 3 feet deep. Depending on water level tubers may have to stand and walk various sections. Avoid tubing in high water. River is mostly shallow.

**Weather Related Closings:** Please check our website [www.playfranklincounty.com](http://www.playfranklincounty.com) or call the weather hotline (540) 483-9293 for day of weather related closings.

For up-to-date info regarding water levels or to check the USGS link for current flow rates:

[https://waterdata.usgs.gov/va/nwis/uv/site\\_no=02058400&PARAmeter\\_cd=00065.00060.62620.00062](https://waterdata.usgs.gov/va/nwis/uv/site_no=02058400&PARAmeter_cd=00065.00060.62620.00062)



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**LIFE JACKETS ARE PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE.**

A supervising adult is required for anyone under the age of 18.

**Hours:** Saturday and Sunday 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm. June 8th through August 11th 2024.

All tubes must be returned by 5:00 pm (late fees will be applied)

**Tubing Rates:** We accept Cash and Credit.

**\$5.00 per day per tube.**

If you lose or damage your tube a \$40 replacement fee will be applied. An additional charge of \$5 for each 15 minutes you're late will be required.

**Ages:** Tubing is permitted for any age; however you must possess a valid Driver's License or State ID card to rent tubes. Minors will not be allowed to rent tubes. There must be a supervising adult present.

**Tubing with Children:** This section of river is perfect for families and children, however no water based activity is without risk. Life jackets are provided free of charge and all river users are encouraged to wear them.

**Large Group Rentals/Group Tubing:** Advance notification is requested for groups of 12 or more. Non-weekend private tubing rentals are available upon request and require a minimum of 2 weeks notification to ensure staff availability.

**Shoes:** Shoes or appropriate river sandals should be worn while tubing.

**Valuables:** It is suggested to not take valuables on the river. Please secure your belongings by leaving all personal items and valuables out of sight in your locked vehicle. Dry bags are available for purchase at the rentals building.

Keys may be left with your License or ID at the rentals shelter. No alcoholic beverages are permitted on park property.

**Shuttle:** No shuttle needed! The S-curving section of river makes access extremely walkable. With just over 1/4 mile to the put-in and just under 1/4 of a mile from the takeout, the S-turning river allows for a 1 mile float. Several river access locations make it easy to customize your float.

**Restroom and Changing:** Restrooms/Changing area is available in the Tube Rentals Building at the lower parking lot.



## RULES

- Consider your own and your child's abilities before entering the river and always supervise children in and around water.
- Use equipment intended for river recreation and avoid using pool toys or low-quality tubes. Rental equipment is available at Franklin County Parks and Recreation.
- Be responsible. For everyone's safety, be familiar with Virginia State Marine Board regulations on river recreation and don't drink while recreating in or around the river.
- Alcohol is not allowed in the park or on the river.