

WESTERN
LIFE
CAMP
NEW MEXICO

Directions from I-25

Western Life Camp is 15 miles northwest of Las Vegas, New Mexico. This is about a 30 minute drive.

1. Take Exit 343

From I-25, take Exit 343 to Las Vegas.

2. After exiting, turn onto Grand Ave. (not marked)

If you're headed north on I-25 (coming from Santa Fe) you will go **left** after the stop sign, onto Grand Avenue. If you're headed south on I-25 you will go **right** after the stop sign. Grand Avenue is not marked. You will see a sign with an arrow indicating Road 329 is ahead. Keep your eyes sharp: it comes up quickly.

Continue on Grand Ave. for about ¼ mile and stay in the left lane. Turn left on Road 329 (New Mexico Ave.). You'll see a red railroad caboose when you turn left. Stay on Road 329 (New Mexico Ave.) for almost 2 miles. You will come to a stoplight and see an Allsup's on your left.

3. At the stoplight, take a left on Hot Springs Blvd (Highway 65).

Note your odometer reading. Western Life Camp is about 15 miles from this point.

After 4 miles on this road you will see the Montezuma Castle to your right. Then you'll pass some hot springs, also on your right. Continue on Highway 65. After about a mile you will begin a winding mountain road. Drive carefully for the next 5 miles.

After mile marker 10, the road will level out and you'll be in a canyon. At mile marker 11 is the very small town of Gallinas. About a mile and a half later you will see the road fork.

4. Stay to the left when the road forks. Do not go right toward El Porvenir. Do not go right on Highway 65. **Stay on the left road, which is 263.** After about 3 miles you will come to a cattle guard. The pavement ends here.

5. At the cattle guard, turn left. WLC is a few hundred yards down the dirt road to your left.

You'll see a sign for Gallinas Canyon (ahead) and Johnson Mesa (left). Go left toward Johnson Mesa. This is Forest Road 156. The dirt road slopes downhill. Go a few hundred yards on this road, and Western Life Camp is on your left. Enter through the main gate, which will be on your left after you cross the concrete bridge.

Welcome to WLC!

If you have get lost, call 505.425.3620. Cell phone coverage stops after you get onto the winding mountain road.