

SPECIAL USE PERMIT GENERAL STIPULATIONS

1. Authorized Officer. The Authorized Officer (AO) for the State of Alaska (State), Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (DPOR), is the Regional Superintendent or designee.

2. Vehicle Parking. All individuals/participants are responsible for paying the day use vehicle parking fee required at all park facilities. These fees are payable onsite or with an annual park pass. These passes can be purchased at:

<https://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/passes>.

3. Assignment. This permit may not be transferred, extended, or assigned without prior written approval from the authorizing officer. The permittee shall not sub-let or enter into any third-party agreements involving the privileges authorized by this permit.

4. Indemnification. The permittee shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the State, its officers, agents, and employees from liability of any nature or kind, including costs and expenses for or on account of any and all legal actions or claims of any character whatsoever resulting from injuries or damages sustained by any person or persons or property as a result of any error, omission, or negligent act of the permittee relating to this permit.

5. Forfeiture. The permittee shall forfeit the permit if he/she defaults in the performance or observance of any of the permit terms, covenants, stipulations, or of a statute or regulation.

6. Fires. Ground fires prohibited unless built on gravel bars. When fires cannot be built on gravel bars, an approved metal fire ring or raised fire pit shall be used to contain the fire. Only dead and down trees are approved for wood fires. The site must be returned to its natural state after use. The use of a self-contained stove is strongly encouraged for cooking.

(a) Not every gravel bar in Chugach State Park is open to ground fires. See 11 AAC 20.035.

7. Leave No Trace. Follow "Leave No Trace" ethics: <https://lnt.org/why/7-principles/>

- (a) Plan ahead and prepare.
- (b) Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
- (c) Dispose of waste properly.
- (d) Leave what you find.
- (e) Respect wildlife.
- (f) Be considerate of others.

8. Refuse and Waste.

- (a) No person may bring waste or refuse from household, commercial, industrial, or construction activities into a state park for disposal.
- (b) No person may place waste or refuse in state park water, or on land or water capable of contaminating state park water.
- (c) Refuse and waste shall be deposited in a park waste receptacle. If required in the special stipulations of this permit, all waste and refuse created in the course of activities must be removed from the state park by those responsible for its creation.
- (d) The provisions of this section do not apply to animal waste normally discarded by hunters, trappers, or fishermen in the course of legal hunting, trapping, or fishing, except that waste must not be left within 100 feet of a trail, road, or developed facility.

9. Protection of Lands, Facilities, and Resources. The permittee shall exercise diligence in protecting damage to lands, facilities and resources in the areas that are used in connection with this permit. Cultural resources, such as human remains historic artifacts, archaeological materials, or paleontological resources shall be avoided and may not be disturbed, altered, destroyed, or collected. If human remains, historic resources, archaeological resources, or paleontological resources are encountered during permitted activities, all activities that may disturb or damage the site shall cease in the immediate area and you shall immediately (within one business day of discovery) notify the Park and the Office of History and Archaeology (907-269-8700).

10.Site Disturbance: Site disturbance shall be kept to a minimum to protect local habitats. All activities at the site shall be conducted in a manner that will minimize the disturbance of soil and vegetation and changes in the character of natural drainage systems.

(a)Brush clearing is prohibited unless specifically authorized by this permit. If authorized, brush clearing should be kept to the minimum necessary. Removal or destruction of the vegetative mat is not authorized under this permit.

(b)Establishment of, or improvements to, landing areas (i.e. leveling the ground or removing or modifying a substantial amount of vegetation) is prohibited.

(c)Attention must be paid to prevent pollution and siltation of streams, lakes, ponds, wetlands, and disturbances to fish and wildlife habitats.

11.Geographic Limit. This permit is for activities on state lands or interests managed by the Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (DPOR). It does not authorize any activities on private, federal, native, municipal lands, or lands which are owned or solely managed by other offices and agencies of the State. The permittee is responsible for proper location within the authorized area.

12.Preferential Rights. No preferential rights to additional services of a proprietary interest right in the lands are attached to this permit.

13.Suspension and Revocation of this permit by the State. Failure to abide by any part of this use permit, to comply with any of the general or special stipulations or the willful violation of any state regulation may result in immediate suspension or revocation of this permit and may result in denial of future permits.

14.Revocable at will. This permit may be revoked at any time at the discretion of the director or his/her designee without compensation to the permittee or liability to the State.

15.Repair of Damage. The permittee shall be liable for the repair of any damages to lands, facilities or resources resulting from the activities of the permittee, his/her agents, employees, or clients.

16.Natural Hazards. The permittee recognizes and understands that natural hazards are likely to exist within permit area. The permittee agrees to take all reasonable precautions to make himself/herself aware of these hazards and to advise all clients of the hazards. The permittee is responsible for ensuring the safety of the clients under his/her supervision.

17.Camps, Caches & Equipment Storage. Unless otherwise authorized, the permittee agrees not to establish temporary or permanent camps or caches within the permit area. All property of the permittee is to be removed from park lands and waters upon completion of permitted activities. Vehicles, boats, aircraft, or any equipment or supplies may not be stored on State Park lands or waters without a special use permit. Vehicles may be legally parked during operations in the park.

18.Non-Exclusive Use. This permit shall not be construed as limiting the rights of the authorizing officer to issue similar permits for the same or similar activities in the area covered by this permit. The permittee, agents, or clients shall not interfere with free public use or other authorized use of roads, trails, lands or waters in the area of their activities.

19.Aesthetics. The permittee shall protect the scenic aesthetic values of the area under this permit, and the adjacent land, as far as possible while conducting activities authorized under this permit.

20.Inspection. The state reserves the right to inspect areas of activity under this permit. It is understood, however, that the state will only inspect the site during normal periods of activity by the permittee or at other times that are convenient to the permittee unless in an emergency situation.

21.Compliance with Government Requirements. The permittee shall, at its expense, comply with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances directly or indirectly related to this permit. The permittee shall ensure compliance by its employees, agents, clients, licensees, or invitees.

22.Lawful Operations/Documentation. The permittee agrees to operate in accordance with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations. The issuance of this permit does not alleviate the necessity of the permittee to obtain all required local, state

and federal licenses, tags, permits, registrations and certifications that are applicable to the permittee's activities. Permittee shall ensure compliance by its employees, agents, contractors, subcontractors, licensees, or invitees. Permittee shall further require all individuals operating under this permit to have all such documentation in their possession while operating in the park and upon request shall present for inspection to any state park official or Peace Officer.

23. Advertising/Selling Prohibited. This permit does not authorize the permittee to solicit business, advertise, collect any fees, or sell any goods or services on lands authorized for use by this permit unless specified on this permit. The permittee shall not make any misrepresentation in his/her advertisements, signs, circulars, brochures, letterhead, or like materials regarding this permit.

24. Fuel and Hazardous Substances. Fuel and hazardous materials/substances may not be stored at the site without prior written approval.