

UNITED STATES
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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
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GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK
RULES AND REGULATIONS

General Regulations

The following rules and regulations for the government of the Grand Canyon National Park are hereby established and made public pursuant to authority conferred by the act of Congress approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 536), as amended June 2, 1920 (41 Stat. 732), and the act of February 26, 1919 (40 Stat. 1175):

1. Preservation of natural features and curiosities.--The destruction, injury, defacement, or disturbance in any way of the public buildings, signs, equipment, or other property, or the trees, flowers, vegetation, rocks, mineral, animal, or bird, or other life is prohibited; Provided, That flowers may be gathered in small quantities when, in the judgment of the superintendent, their removal will not impair the beauty of the park.

2. Camping.--No camp shall be made along roads except at designated localities. Blankets, clothing, hammocks, or any other article likely to frighten teams shall not be hung near the road.

Many successive parties camp on the same sites during the season; therefore camp grounds shall be thoroughly cleaned before they are abandoned. Tin cans, bottles, cast-off clothing, and all other debris shall be placed in garbage cans or pits provided for the purpose. When camps are made in unfrequented localities where pits or cans may not be provided, all refuse shall be burned or hidden where it will not be offensive to the eye.

Campers may use only dead or fallen timber for fuel.

3. Fires.--Fires constitute one of the greatest perils to the park; they shall not be kindled near trees, dead wood, moss, dry leaves, forest mold, or other vegetable refuse, but in some open space on rocks or earth. Should camp be made in a locality where no such open space exists or is provided, the dead wood, moss, dry leaves, etc., shall be scraped away to the rock or earth over an area considerably larger than that required for the fire.

Fires shall be lighted only when necessary and when no longer needed shall be completely extinguished, and all embers and beds smothered with earth or water, so that there remains no possibility of reignition.

Especial care shall be taken that no lighted match, cigar, or cigarette is dropped in any grass, twigs,, leaves, or tree mold.

4. Hunting.--The park is a sanctuary for wild life of every sort, and hunting, killing, wounding, capturing, or frightening any bird or animal in the park is prohibited.

The outfits, including guns, traps, teams, horses, or means of transportation used by persons engaged in hunting, killing, trapping, ensnaring, or capturing birds or wild animals, or in possession of game killed on the park lands shall be taken up by the superintendent and held subject to the order of the Director of the National Park Service, except in cases where it is shown by satisfactory evidence that the outfit is not the property of the person or persons violating this regulation and the actual owner was not a party to such violation. Firearms are prohibited in the park except on written permission of the superintendent. Visitors entering or traveling through the park to places beyond shall at entrance report and surrender all firearms, traps, nets, seines, or explosives in their possession to the first park officer and in proper cases may obtain his written leave to carry them through the park sealed. The Government assumes no responsibilities for loss or damage to any firearms, traps, nets, seines, or other property so surrendered to any park officer, nor are park officers authorized to accept the responsibility of custody of any property for the convenience of visitors.

5. Fishing.--Fishing with nets, seines, traps, or by the use of drugs or explosives, or in any other way than with hook and line, or for merchandise or profit, is prohibited. Fishing in particular water may be suspended, or the number of fish that may be taken by one person in any one day from the various streams or lakes may be regulated by the superintendent. All fish hooked less than 6 inches long shall be carefully handled with moist hands and returned at once to the water if not seriously injured. Fish retained shall be killed. Ten fish shall constitute the limit for a day's catch.

6. Private operations.--No person, firm, or corporation shall reside permanently, engage in any business, or erect buildings in the park without permission in writing from the Director of the National Park Service, Washington, D. C. Applications for such permission may be addressed to the Director or to the superintendent of the park.

7. Cameras.--Still and motion picture cameras may be freely used in the park for general scenic purposes. For the filming of motion pictures requiring

the use of artificial or special settings, or involving the performance of a professional cast, permission must first be obtained from the Superintendent of the park.

8. Gambling.--Gambling in any form, or the operation of gambling devices, whether for merchandise or otherwise, is prohibited.

9. Advertisements.--Private notices or advertisements shall not be posted or displayed on Government lands within the park, excepting such as the superintendent deems necessary for the convenience and guidance of the public.

10. Mining.--The location of mining claims on Government lands in the park is permitted only with the prior approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

11. Patented lands.--Owners of patented lands within the park limits are entitled to the full use and enjoyment thereof; the boundaries of such lands, however, shall be determined and marked and defined so that they may be readily distinguished from the park lands. While no limitations or conditions are imposed upon the use of private lands so long as such use does not interfere with or injure the park, private owners shall provide against trespass by their live stock upon the park lands, and all trespasses committed will be punished to the full extent of the law. Stock may be taken over the park lands to patented private lands with the written permission and under the supervision of the superintendent, but such permission and supervision are not required when access to such private lands is had wholly over roads or lands not owned or controlled by the United States.

12. Grazing.--The running at large, herding, or grazing of live stock of any kind on the Government lands in the park, as well as the driving of live stock over same, is prohibited, except where authority therefor has been granted by the Superintendent. Live stock found improperly on the park lands may be impounded and held until claimed by the owner and the trespass adjusted.

13. Authorized operators.--All persons, firms, or corporations holding franchises in the park shall keep the grounds used by them properly policed and shall maintain the premises in a sanitary condition to the satisfaction of the superintendent. No operator shall retain in his employment a person whose presence in the park may be deemed by the superintendent subversive of good order and management of the park.

All operators shall require each of their employees to wear a metal badge, with a number thereon, or other mark of identification, the name and the number corresponding therewith, or the identification mark, being registered in the superintendent's office. These badges must be worn in plain sight on the hat or cap.

14. Dogs and cats.--Cats are not permitted on the Government lands in the park and dogs only to those persons passing through the park to the

territory beyond, in which instances they shall be kept tied while crossing the park.

15. Dead animals.--All domestic and grazed animals that may die in the park at any tourist camp or along any of the public thoroughfares shall be buried immediately by the owner or person having charge of such animals at least 2 feet beneath the ground, and in no case less than one-fourth mile from any camp or thoroughfare.

16. Travel on trails.--Pedestrians on trails, when saddle or pack animals are passing them, shall remain quiet until the animals have passed.

Persons traveling on the trails of the park either on foot or on saddle animals shall not make short cuts but shall confine themselves to the main trails.

17. Travel--general.--(a) Saddle horses, pack trains, and horsedrawn vehicles have right of way over motor-propelled vehicles at all times.

(b) Load and vehicle weight limitations shall be those prescribed from time to time by the Director of the National Park Service and shall be complied with by the operators of all vehicles using the park roads. Schedules showing weight limitations for different roads in the park may be seen at the office of the superintendent and at the ranger stations at the park entrances.

(c) All vehicles shall be equipped with lights for night travel. At least one light shall be carried on the left front side of horse-drawn vehicles, in a position such as to be visible from both front and rear.

18. Miscellaneous.--(a) Campers and others shall not wash clothing or cooking utensils in the waters of the park, or in any way pollute them, or bathe in any of the streams near the regularly traveled thoroughfares in the park without suitable bathing clothes.

(b) Stock shall not be tied so as to permit their entering any of the streams of the park. All animals shall be kept a sufficient distance from camping grounds in order not to litter the ground and make unfit for use the area which may be used later as tent sites.

(c) Campers and all others, save those holding licenses from the Director of the National Park Service, are prohibited from hiring their horses, trappings, or vehicles to tourists or visitors in the park.

(d) All complaints by tourists and others as to service, etc., rendered in the park should be made to the superintendent in writing before the complainant leaves the park. Oral complaints will be heard daily during office hours.

19. Fines and penalties.--Persons who render themselves obnoxious by

disorderly conduct or bad behavior shall be subjected to the punishment hereinafter prescribed for violation of the foregoing regulations and may be summarily removed from the park by the superintendent and not allowed to return without permission in writing from the Director of the National Park Service or the superintendent of the park.

Any person who violates any of the foregoing regulations shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$500 or imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both, and be adjudged to pay all costs of the proceedings.

20. Lost and found articles.--Persons finding lost articles should deposit them at the nearest ranger station, leaving their own names and addresses, so that if not claimed by owners within 60 days, articles may be turned over to those who found them.

Automobile and Motorcycle Regulations.

Pursuant to authority conferred by the act of Congress approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat., 535), as amended June 2, 1920 (41 Stat., 732), and the act of February 26, 1919 (40 Stat., 1175), the following regulations covering the admission of automobiles and motorcycles into the Grand Canyon National Park are hereby established and made public:

1. Entrances and roads.--Automobiles and motorcycles may enter and leave the park by, and travel over, any of the roads therein which are open to motor vehicles.

Careful driving is demanded of all persons using the roads. The Government is in no way responsible for any kind of accident.

2. Automobiles.--The park is open to automobiles operated for pleasure, but not to those carrying passengers who are paying, either directly or indirectly, for the use of machines (excepting, however, automobiles used by transportation lines operating under Government franchise), and any person operating an automobile in contravention of the provisions of this regulation will be deemed guilty of its violation.

3. Motorcycles.--Motorcycles are admitted to the park under the same conditions as automobiles and are subject to the same regulations as far as they are applicable.

4. Motor trucks.--Motor trucks may enter the park subject to the weight limitations prescribed by the Director of the National Park Service. Schedules showing prescribed weight limitations for motor trucks may be seen at the office of the superintendent and at the ranger stations at the park entrances.

5. Permits.--For entrance to the park on the South Rim a permit shall be secured at the ranger station where the automobile enters, which will entitle the permittee to operate the particular automobile indicated in the permit over any or all of the roads on the South Rim. Provided, however,

that residents of the park operating automobiles therein shall not be required to secure such permit. The permit is good for the entire season, expiring on December 31 of the year of issue, but is not transferable to any other vehicle than that to which originally issued. The permit shall be carefully kept so that it can be exhibited to park rangers on demand. Each permit shall be exhibited to the park ranger for verification on exit from the park. Duplicate permits will not be issued in lieu of original permits lost or mislaid.

6. Fees.--The fee for automobile or motorcycle permit is \$1.00, payable in cash only. No charge, however, shall be made for such permit issued to residents of Coconino County entering the park in the conduct of their usual occupation or business.

7. Intoxication.--No person who is under the influence of intoxicating liquor, and no person who is addicted to the use of narcotic drugs, shall operate or drive a motor vehicle of any kind on the park roads.

8. Distance apart; gears and brakes.--Automobiles while in motion shall be not less than 50 yards apart, except for purpose of passing which is permissible only on comparatively level stretches of roads and on slight grades. All automobiles, except while shifting gears, shall retain their gears constantly enmeshed. The driver of each automobile may be required to satisfy park officers that all parts of his machine, particularly the brakes and tires, are in first-class working order and capable of making the trip, and that there is sufficient gasoline in the tank to reach the next place where it may be obtained. The automobile shall carry at least one extra tire. Motorcycles not equipped with brakes in good working order are not permitted to enter the park.

9. Speeds.--Automobiles and other vehicles shall be so operated as to be under the safe control of the driver at all times. The speed shall be kept within such limits as may be necessary to avoid accident.

Speed is limited to 12 miles per hour on grades and when rounding sharp curves, and in Grand Canyon village area. On straight open stretches when no vehicle is nearer than 100 yards the speed may be increased to 25 miles per hour.

10. Horns.--The horn shall be sounded on approaching curves or stretches of road concealed for any considerable distance by slopes, overhanging trees, or other obstacles, and before meeting or passing other automobiles, motorcycles, riding or driving animals, or pedestrians.

11. Lights.--All automobiles shall be equipped with head and tail lights, the headlights to be of sufficient brilliancy to insure safety in driving at night, and all lights shall be kept lighted after sunset when automobile is on the road. Headlights shall be dimmed when meeting other automobiles, motorcycles, riding or driving animals, or pedestrians.

12. Muffler cut-outs.--Muffler cut-outs shall be closed while

approaching or passing riding horses, horse-drawn vehicles, hotels, camps, or checking stations, and in Grand Canyon village area.

13. Teams.--Teams have the right of way, and automobiles shall be backed or otherwise handled as may be necessary so as to enable teams to pass with safety. In no case shall automobiles pass animals on the road at a speed greater than 12 miles an hour.

14. Overtaking vehicles.--Any vehicle traveling slowly upon any of the park roads shall, when overtaken by a faster-moving motor vehicle and upon suitable signal from such overtaking vehicle, give way to the right, allowing the overtaking vehicle reasonably free passage, provided the overtaking vehicle does not exceed the speed limits specified for the road in question.

When automobiles, going in opposite directions, meet on a grade, the ascending machine has right of way, and the descending machine shall be backed or otherwise handled as may be necessary to enable the ascending machine to pass with safety.

15. Accidents, stop-overs.--If, because of accident or stop for any reason, automobiles are unable to keep going, they shall be immediately parked off the road or, where this is impossible, on the outer edge of the road.

16. Fines and penalties.--Any person who violates any of the foregoing regulations shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$500, or imprisonment not exceeding 6 months, or both, and be adjudged to pay all costs of the proceedings, and such violation shall subject the offender to immediate ejection from the park. Persons ejected from the park will not be permitted to return without prior sanction in writing from the Director of the National Park Service or the superintendent of the park.

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