

Gulf Islands

National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior

Gulf Islands National Seashore
Florida and Mississippi
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Additional Permit Provisions

Possible Impacts

Depending on the nature of the requested activity or use, one or more of the following requirements may apply. These additional compliances help the National Park Service to properly monitor events and activities that may have the potential for resource impact or damage. Other clauses guarantee the proper insurance appropriate to protect park interests.

Liability Insurance

If the Superintendent considers the requested activity as either medium or high risk, liability insurance may be required for organized groups. Athletic events, film shoots, and public events are examples that fall into this category. The standard minimum insurance amount for special events is \$1,000,000

and should be issued in the name of the group, not the individual, requesting the permit. The "United States of America, Gulf Islands National Seashore" must be listed as an additional insured on the insurance policy. No permit will be issued until an original certificate of liability insurance is on file with the National Park Service.

Monitoring Costs

If the scope of your event warrants, the National Park Service may require NPS employees to perform services in support of the event or to monitor events to assure resource protection. The permittee will be required to pay an hourly rate for those employees assigned to the event. Due to staffing limitations, employees working in an overtime status may provide these services. These costs can be estimated in

advance. After the event, based on actual monitoring costs, Gulf Islands will bill the permittee, who will be given thirty days to pay in full. Hourly overtime estimates for NPS employees generally assigned to events are:

- Law Enforcement Ranger..\$30/per hour
- Maintenance Employee.... \$27/perhour
- Interpretive Ranger.....\$27/per hour

Performance Bonds

The National Park Service may require a performance bond for those activities or events that have the potential to cause natural or cultural resource or facilities damage. The performance bond is the permittee's guarantee of compliance with all permit conditions. The scope of potential risk of damage to park resources or facilities determines the required bond amount that will be adequate to cover the costs of timely restoration, repair, rehabilitation or clean-up of an area. The bond amount will also vary depending on

the type of activity and the size and duration of the event. The permittee shall submit bond payment in the form of a certified or cashier's check, bank draft or money order made out to the NPS. No personal checks are accepted. If, after the completion of your event, the NPS incurs no additional costs, bond payment will be returned. If a performance bond is not initially required and the NPS incurs expenses relative to the event, the Park will issue a bill of collection to recover those costs.