

Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve Commercial Use Authorization Activity-Specific Stipulations

Attachment XX – 2015 Air Taxi Stipulations

1. To be considered an Air Taxi, the majority of passengers on the flight must either be dropped off or picked up from a day trip or overnight stay and passengers do not remain with the airplane while on the ground.
2. An Air Taxi CUA holder may also provide incidental hunt transport for park visitors. Incidental hunt transporting is defined as the carriage of big game hunters, their equipment, or big game animals harvested by the hunters is only an incidental portion of the business. The word “incidental” means transportation provided to a big game hunter by an Air Taxi operator who does not:
 - a) Charge more than the usual tariff or charter rate for the carriage of big game hunters, their equipment, and/or the big game animals harvested by the hunters; or
 - b) Advertise transportation services or big game hunting services to the public. The word “advertise” means soliciting big game hunters to be customers of an Air Taxi operator for the purpose of providing transportation service to, from, or in the field through the use of print or electronic media, including advertising at trade shows or the use of hunt broker services or other promotional services.
3. All airplanes will be currently licensed, operated, maintained and operated in conformance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requirements.
4. All pilots will have Title 14, Part 135 certification.
5. All pilots will have current first aid and CPR certification.
6. The CUA holder will carry a spill kit onboard each aircraft that includes absorbent pads, a shovel and doubled plastic bags to remove and transport contaminated material.
7. When transporting hazardous materials such as stove fuel or bear spray, the CUA holder will use a USDOT approved container and packaging and follow the hazmat guidelines for safe handling, transportation and storage.
8. Hazardous Materials: the CUA holder shall notify the Park at 907-697-2651 of any hazardous material discharge as soon as possible without impeding cleanup.
9. The CUA holder must remove all trash and garbage generated by their activities within the park.
10. Regularly scheduled air service to Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve is not authorized.
11. This permit does not grant a base of operations within Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve.
12. The Permittee will reimburse the NPS for the cost of managing landing areas within the Park.
13. Federal regulations regarding vessel operations in Glacier Bay apply to float planes operating on the water, including, but not limited to, the following:

36 CFR § 13.1122 Bartlett Cove Public Use Dock.

(a) Docking, tying down, or securing aircraft is prohibited except at the designated aircraft float at the Bartlett Cove Public Use Dock. Docking, tying down, or securing aircraft to the Bartlett Cove Public Use Dock for longer than 3 hours in a 24-hour period is prohibited. Pilots must remain with the aircraft or provide notice of their location to a park ranger. Failure to remain with the aircraft or provide notice to a park ranger is prohibited.

36 CFR § 13.1170 What are the rules for operating vessels?

(a) Operating a vessel within 1/4 nautical mile of a whale is prohibited, except for a commercial fishing vessel authorized under this subpart that is actively trolling, setting, or pulling long lines, or setting or pulling crab pots.

(b) The operator of a vessel inadvertently positioned within 1/4 nautical mile of a whale must immediately slow the vessel to ten knots or less, without shifting into reverse unless impact is likely. The operator must direct or maintain the vessel on as steady a course as possible away from the whale until at least 1/4 nautical mile of separation is established. Failure to take such action is prohibited.

(c) The operator of a vessel or seaplane positioned within 1/2 nautical mile of a whale is prohibited from altering course or speed in a manner that results in decreasing the distance between the whale and the vessel or seaplane.

36 CFR § 13.1178 Closed waters, islands and other areas.

The following are prohibited:

(a) Operating a vessel or otherwise approaching within 100 yards of South Marble Island; or Flapjack Island; or any of the three small unnamed islets approximately one nautical mile southeast of Flapjack Island; or Eider Island; or Boulder Island; or Geikie Rock; or Lone Island; or the northern three-fourths of Leland Island (north of 58°39.1' N latitude); or any of the four small unnamed islands located approximately one nautical mile north (one island), and 1.5 nautical miles east (three islands) of the easternmost point of Russell Island; or Graves Rocks (on the outer coast); or Cormorant Rock, or any adjacent rock, including all of the near-shore rocks located along the outer coast, for a distance of 1 1/2 nautical miles, southeast from the mouth of Lituya Bay; or the surf line along the outer coast, for a distance of 1 1/2 nautical miles northwest of the mouth of the glacial river at Cape Fairweather.

(b) Operating a vessel or otherwise approaching within 100 yards of a Steller (northern) sea lion (*Eumetopias jubatus*) hauled-out on land or a rock or a nesting seabird colony: *Provided, however,* that vessels may approach within 50 yards of that part of South Marble Island lying south of 58°38.6' N latitude (approximately the southern one-half of South Marble Island) to view seabirds.

(c) May 1 through August 31, operating a vessel, or otherwise approaching within 1/4 nautical mile of, Spider Island or any of the four small islets lying immediately west of Spider Island.

(d) May 1 through August 31, operating a cruise ship on Johns Hopkins Inlet waters south of 58°54.2' N latitude (an imaginary line running approximately due west from Jaw Point).

(e) May 1 through June 30, operating a vessel or a seaplane on Johns Hopkins Inlet waters south of 58°54.2' N latitude (an imaginary line running approximately due west from Jaw Point).

(f) July 1 through August 31, operating a vessel or a seaplane on Johns Hopkins Inlet waters south of 58°54.2' N latitude (an imaginary line running approximately due west from Jaw Point), within 1/4 nautical mile of a seal hauled out on ice; except when safe navigation requires, and then with due care to maintain the 1/4 nautical mile distance from concentrations of seals.

(g) Restrictions imposed in this section are minimum distances. Park visitors are advised that protection of park wildlife may require that visitors maintain greater distances from wildlife. See, 36 CFR 2.2 (Wildlife protection).

36 CFR § 13.1180 Closed waters, motor vessels and seaplanes.

(a) May 1 through September 15, operating a motor vessel or a seaplane on the following water is prohibited:

(1) Adams Inlet, east of 135°59.2' W longitude (an imaginary line running approximately due north and south through the charted (5) obstruction located approximately 2 1/4 nautical miles east of Pt. George).

(2) Rendu Inlet, north of the wilderness boundary at the mouth of the inlet.

(3) Hugh Miller complex, including Scidmore Bay and Charpentier Inlet, west of the wilderness boundary at the mouth of the Hugh Miller Inlet.

(4) Waters within the Beardslee Island group (except the Beardslee Entrance), that is defined by an imaginary line running due west from shore to the easternmost point of Lester Island, then along the south shore of Lester Island to its western end, then to the southernmost point of Young Island, then north along the west shore and east along the north shore of Young Island to its northernmost point, then at a bearing of 15 true to an imaginary point located one nautical mile due east of the easternmost point of Strawberry Island, then at a bearing of 345 true to the northernmost point of Flapjack Island, then at a bearing of 81 true to the northernmost point of the unnamed island immediately to the east of Flapjack Island, then southeasterly to the northernmost point of the next unnamed island, then southeasterly along the (Beartrack Cove) shore of that island to its easternmost point, then due east to shore.

(b) June 1 through July 15, operating a motor vessel or a seaplane on the waters of Muir Inlet north of 59°02.7' N latitude (an imaginary line running approximately due west from the point of land on the east shore approximately 1 nautical mile north of the McBride Glacier) is prohibited.

(c) July 16 through August 31, operating a motor vessel or a seaplane on the waters of Wachusett Inlet west of 136°12.0' W longitude (an imaginary line running approximately due north from the point of land on the south shore of Wachusett Inlet approximately 2 1/4 nautical miles west of Rowlee Point) is prohibited.