



## ATTACHMENT II PARK SPECIFIC CUA CONDITIONS

### These Conditions Apply to All CUAs Issued by Bryce Canyon National Park

#### 1. Authorized Use

Commercial Use Authorizations (CUA) are issued for the following activities at Bryce Canyon National Park:

- Bicycle Tours: This commercial service allows groups of bicyclists accompanied by a leader to ride through designated portions of Bryce Canyon National Park.
- Commercial Interpretive Tours: This commercial service is defined as information/orientation/interpretation of Bryce Canyon's resources provided to a specified group of people by a designated leader.
- Motorcycle Tours: This commercial service allows groups of motorcycles accompanied by a leader to ride through designated portions of Bryce Canyon National Park.
- Photography or Painting Workshops: These workshops are allowed to give technical and instructions on composition of photographs and paintings related to the unique resources protected in Bryce Canyon National Park.
- Taxi & Recreational Shuttle Services: Commercial shuttle service is authorized for the point-to-point and drop-off of passengers in Bryce Canyon National Park at designated parking areas, pullouts, and developed areas.

#### 2. Unauthorized Use

- a. Off-Trail Travel: CUA permitted groups may not travel off designated trails and/or viewpoint walkways.
- b. Public Use Obstruction/Interference: CUA tours groups are sharing visitor facilities with the general public, and as such, group activities should never negatively impact other visitors' experiences. Examples of negative impacts include but are not limited to: excessive noise (including music), setting up equipment (tables, chairs, signage, more than two tripods in any one locations, photography reflective panels, etc.) that obstruct scenery and/or impede pedestrian traffic. This CUA does not convey any priority use of trails. CUA holders should advise clients to stay on trails, walk single file, and allow the public to pass.

#### 3. Closures and Public Use Limits:

The following areas are closed or restricted as indicated below. Additional locations may be closed or restricted by the posing of appropriate sign or email notification to CUA holders:

- a. Areas beyond barriers, fences, railings, and closure signs are closed to the public.
- b. Off-trail geologic features including hoodoos, arches, bridges and cliff faces are closed to walking, climbing, ascending, descending, rappelling or traversing.

- c. The Maintenance area, Water Tank area, Mixing Circle area, and roads leading thereto are closed to the general public.
- d. Operators of street-legal motor vehicles shall enter or leave the park with such vehicles only on the following designated roads: Utah Highways 63 and 12.
- e. Service roads to the rear of the headquarters building and to Yovimpa Pass and pumping station are closed areas.
- f. The following areas are closed to picnicking: North Campground, Sunset Campground, and Visitor Center Building and parking area.
- g. Parking and stopping along park roads is prohibited except at designated parking areas or pull-offs.
- h. **Except for permitted vehicles** (see *J. below*), all vehicles longer than 20 feet (6m) or vehicle-trailer combinations longer than 20 feet (6 m) are prohibited at the following viewpoints/facilities from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., April 1 through November 1:
  - Fairyland Point
  - Visitor Center
  - Sunrise General Store
  - Bryce Canyon Lodge
  - Sunset Point
  - Bryce Point
  - Inspiration Point
  - Paria View
- i. Oversized vehicles should be left in the overflow parking lot at the entrance to North Campground, or outside the park at the Bryce Canyon Shuttle Station in Bryce Canyon City. CUA groups are welcome to use the Bryce Canyon Shuttle in lieu of using their oversized vehicles. Boarding the shuttle from outside the park requires presentation of an entrance payment receipt or America the Beautiful interagency pass(es)
- j. Large-capacity vehicles (20+ passengers) are exempt from the oversize vehicle restrictions because these vehicles allow more visitors into congested parking lots while taking up less space than passenger vehicles. Large-capacity vehicles must use parking spaces signed “Permit Parking Only.” Free parking permits will be issued at entrance fee stations to vehicles meeting this requirement. Park permits will be marked with date of use and will not be transferrable. All traffic control devices (signs and markings) are enforceable.

4. **Speed Limits:**

The speed limits for the following areas are established as prescribed below:

- a. Main Park Road: 20 – 45 miles per hour (depending on exact location), or as posted by signs.
- b. The vicinity of the Entrance Stations, Lodge Loop Road and Fairyland Road: 20 – 25 miles per hour (depending on exact location), or as posted by signs.
- c. Road to Bryce Point: 35 miles per hour, or as posted by signs.
- d. Campground areas: 10 miles per hour, or as posted by signs.

5. **Restrooms and Drinking Water:**

Restrooms can be found at the following locations; drinking water is also available except as noted:

- a. Visitor Center (open all year except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s Day)

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- b. Bryce Canyon Lodge (closed in Winter)
- c. Sunrise Point General Store (Closed in Winter)
- d. North and Sunset Campgrounds (North is open all year)
- e. Sunset Point (open all year)
- f. Inspiration Point (no drinking water/restroom closed in winter)
- g. Farview Point (no drinking water)
- h. Rainbow Point (no drinking water)
- i. Mossy Cave Trail (no drinking water)
- j. Peekaboo Loop Trail (no drinking water/restroom closed in winter)

6. **No Right of Renewal:**

No right of renewal attaches hereto. Upon expiration of this permit, the viability of this service inside the park shall be reviewed and the Superintendent shall determine if authorization of this service shall continue under a CUA. If a determination is made to continue this type of authorization, CUA holder may then apply for a new permit

7. **Resource Protection Message:**

All CUA holders are required to communicate the following message to clients receiving interpretive services. CUA holders are encouraged to expand on the information provided to provide for the safety and well-being of their clients, as well as enhance their understanding and enjoyment of the park.

- a. Group leaders should be aware of local weather forecasts, trail and/or road conditions. This information can be obtained by stopping at the Visitor Center.
- b. Collecting or removing from the park any natural or cultural resource, or damaging or defacing any natural or cultural resource is prohibited.
- c. Stay on trails/walkways in order to protect delicate vegetation and soils.
- d. In developed areas, the disposal of human waste anywhere other than in designated locations or fixtures provided for that purpose is prohibited. In non-developed areas, the disposal of human waste within 100 feet of a water source, a campsite, or within sight of a trail is prohibited (36 CFR 2.14). The preferred option for human waste disposal is a waste containment system (such as a “Restop 2,” “WAG Bag,” etc.) If a containment/removal system is unavailable, a 4-to-8-inch-deep “cat hole” can be used. Toilet paper must be carried out.
- e. Take only pictures; leave no evidence of your visit.
- f. All food scraps (fruit peels, nut shells, etc.) are considered trash and must be disposed of properly. It is a violation to feed ANY wildlife.
- g. Smoking on trails is highly discouraged. Smokers must use caution when smoking to prevent igniting a wildfire. Cigarette butts are trash and must be packed out and properly disposed of. Trip leaders/guides should check fire conditions for current restrictions.
- h. Vehicle engines must not be left idling when parked, as this creates unacceptable amounts of noise and air pollution within Bryce Canyon National Park.

8. **Accidents:**

All accidents/injuries must be reported to the nearest ranger station as soon as possible.

9. **Tour Leaders:**

The information provided to participants shall include a review of safety recommendations printed in the park publications: “Bryce Canyon, Official Map and Guide” and the “Hoodoo” newspaper. These current

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publications are available upon arrival at the park. Tour leaders must be certified in Basic First Aid and CPR, as well as fully acquainted with park regulations, and support compliance with said regulations. **Tour Leaders must have a copy of the CUA with them at all times while in the park.**

10. **Search and Rescue Expenses:**

The CUA holder shall pay the cost for search and rescue efforts the park conducts on their behalf beyond everyday budgeting park expenses.

11. **Entrance Fees:**

Bryce Canyon National Park is a Federal Fee Area. All visitors who use the park recreationally must pay an entrance fee, regardless of how and where they enter the park. CUA Tour Leaders are required to pay entrance fees for their clients. If you CUA tour groups plans to enter the park via a hiking trail that circumvents the entrance fee stations, the CUA Tour Leader/Guide must travel to the entrance fee station to pay for their group. CUA Tour Leaders must have their entrance receipts with them at all times, as park rangers periodically perform fee audits/compliance checks. For 2020, all CUA tours will be charged on a per-person basis. The entrance fee is \$20 per client (no charge for paid guides and/or drivers, and anyone under 16 years of age). If any of your clients have an America the Beautiful™ interagency pass (annual/senior/military/access/volunteer) with valid ID, entrance fees will be waived for the pass-holder and up to 3 additional adults – *PROVIDED THEY ARE IN THE SAME VEHICLE*. Passes must be in the client's names, not in the CUA holder's name.

**All CUA Tour Leaders must stop at the entrance fee station and identify their company. They will be required to pay for their CUA clients at that time. CUA tours are not allowed to go through the shuttle/emergency lane. Checks must have the company's TIN number on it or SSN on personal checks.**

**CUA bicyclists are required to enter the park via the Shared Use Path (which connects Bryce Canyon City to Bryce Canyon National Park).**

12. **Program Itineraries:**

Prior to the CUA holder's beginning operation, a detailed program itinerary specifying times and specific locations of groups activities within the park shall be provided to the CUA coordinator. Location areas are subject to approval. Due to safety considerations and traffic congestion during certain times of the year, locations selected will dictate number of vehicles allowed.

13. **Monitoring:**

The Superintendent shall have the right to monitor CUA holder's tours for compliance with all aspects of this CUA. Tour leaders shall carry a copy of the approved Commercial Use Authorization and present it to any park official upon request. Monitoring cost are charged as part of the total fee. These cost start when the CUA holder arrives in the area to perform the permitted use and ends when the permitted use is over and the CUA holder leaves the area. This includes all costs for personnel and material, as well as nay follow-up needed in returning the area to its original condition. Monitoring cost may vary depending on the park staff involved; e.g. a Park Ranger would cost an estimated \$50 per hour for monitoring.

14. **Soil Erosion:**

The CUA holder shall take adequate measure, as directed and approved by the Superintendent, to restrict and prevent soil erosion on the lands covered herein and shall utilize such lands so as not to contribute to additional erosion.

15. **Operation Requirements:**

- a. Numbers and Separation of Student Groups (if applicable): Instruction inside the park is not to exceed 12 students per groups, plus an instructor and an assistant. NO more than one group shall be present at any instruction location in the park at any given time.
- b. Specific Activities Allowed/Disallowed: Technical and artistic instruction (if applicable) shall be pertinent to the scenic, natural and cultural resources of the park. All vehicles must be kept on established roadways, and there shall be no interference with pedestrians or other traffic in the park.
- c. Protection of Park Resources: Alteration of any park features (to allow set up of equipment, enhance setting, etc.) is strictly prohibited. Littering is prohibited. Participants are to leave as little evidence of their use as possible and properly dispose of refuse. The CUA holder shall be liable for any damages to property of the United State resulting from the activities authorized hereunder.

16. **Guided Interpretive Hikes/Tours:**

**Commercially guided interpretive hikes and tours are allowed within the park by CUA permit only.** If you CUA does not include guided interpretive hikes/tours, you must obtain a CUA for this activity in addition to you other permitted activity. Hiking groups must stay together at all times and remain on established trails. Gathering on the edge of or off established trails may cause the trampling of vegetation and other damage to the natural resources. Frequent stopping on the trails is discouraged as it may lead to congestion and interrupt the travel of other individuals.

17. **Wildlife:**

**DO NOT FEED THE WILDLIFE** – this disrupts natural processes the NPS is trying to preserve. Respect the space needed by all wildlife species. Use binoculars and view animals from a distance that does not result in avoidance or flight behavior. Intentionally approaching mammalian wildlife is limited to a distance no closer than 100 feet.

18. **Superintendent’s Compendium:**

See link at [www.nps.gov/brca/learn/management/superintendents-compendium.htm](http://www.nps.gov/brca/learn/management/superintendents-compendium.htm). In addition to these Special Conditions, CUA Special Provisions, all Compendium regulations, Federal, and State laws apply.

I certify that I have read the above information and provided copies to all Tour Leaders. I will hold Tour Leaders responsible for communicating this information to clients prior to embarking up on tours of Bryce Canyon National Park in 2021. I understand that failure to comply with these CUA conditions may result in revocation of my CUA, and possibly being barred from Bryce Canyon National Park for a period of one year.

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Signature of CUA Holder

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Printed Name

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