



Glacier National Park

Backcountry Permit Advance Reservation Application

Group Size 1-8 Campers

Agency Use Only:

Permit Number	Last Name	First Name	Date Processed	Initials	Date Emailed

* Indicates required information

The following application is for one advance reservation only for groups of 1-8 campers. There is a \$40.00 application fee (\$10.00 initial processing fee + \$30.00 fulfilled trip request fee). If backcountry personnel are unable to award an advance reservation itinerary based upon the parameters you indicate, the \$30.00 fulfilled trip request fee will be refunded. Advance reservations cannot be made within 7 days of your intended trip start date. Applicants should expect a one month period of time between application submittal and notification of permit status. There is a separate camping fee of \$7.00/person/night, payable upon picking up your permit at the park.

Trip Leader Name: * First: * Last:

* Mailing Address:

* City: * State: * Zip Code:

* Country:

* Telephone (Primary): * Email Address:

* Number of Campers (9-12): Number of Stock: Stock refers to pack animals such as horses, mules, or llamas. Goats are not considered stock and are prohibited in Glacier's backcountry. Check campground "Special Conditions" to be sure the campgrounds on your proposed itinerary(s) will allow overnight stock use and for the number of stock allowed. Stock limits are 10 for the Nyack/Coal Creek designated campground and 8 for the rest of the park.

Is this application an amendment to an already existing advance reservation? Yes No

If 'Yes', what is the existing reservation number? If you already have an existing advance reservation permit on file and you wish to change the itinerary for some reason (a preferable campground has opened, dates have changed, etc.) we'll need the permit number in order to make those changes. You will still be charged a \$40 processing fee if we award your requested changes according to the parameters you indicate.

I understand that I will be charged a \$40.00 application fee (\$10.00 initial processing fee + \$30.00 fulfilled trip request fee). If backcountry personnel are unable to award me an advance reservation itinerary based upon the parameters I indicate, I will be refunded \$30.00. Amendments to existing advance reservations are subject to all fees. (\$10.00 initial processing fee + \$30.00 fulfilled trip request fee).

I understand that Glacier National Park is a dynamic, natural environment where events and conditions are unpredictable. There is a possibility that trail and campground closures, campground environmental conditions, natural events (such as fires, aggressive animals, etc.), or other NPS management actions may render my itinerary infeasible. In the event that this occurs, every effort will be made to provide me with an alternate itinerary when I pick up my permit. THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT MY ROUTE WILL BE PASSABLE OR ITINERARY VIABLE WHEN I ARRIVE.

Please click on the links below for complete advance reservation application procedures, including backcountry campground regulations and restrictions, as well as other information to assist in your planning.

[Backcountry Camping Home Page](#)

[Advance Reservation Application Procedures](#)

[Backcountry Campground, Trailhead, and Area Information](#)

[Campground Advance Reservation Availability](#)

[Advance Reservation Step by Step Tutorial](#)



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Your first choice itinerary should list the campgrounds you prefer the most, in the order you prefer, and on the dates you prefer. You can choose up to four (4) different itineraries on this application. Later in the application, we offer you customization options for those itineraries, to increase flexibility and improve your chances of securing a backcountry trip. We will reject any advance reservation itinerary with segments greater than 16 miles. All itineraries must be contiguous - a party enters and exits the backcountry on foot at a trailhead. Vehicle transportation between trailheads during a trip is not permitted. Hiking short road sections on foot is allowed if your itinerary passes through a

First Choice Itinerary developed area - Many Glacier, crossing Going to the Sun Road at Jackson Glacier Overlook. Hiking longer road sections - Logan Pass to Jackson Glacier Overlook, Sperry Trailhead to Trout Lake Trailhead is not permitted.

Number of backcountry nights: There is a 14 night limit per trip for advance reservations in Glacier National Park

[Backcountry Campground, Trailhead, and Area Information](#) Please check this link to locate beginning and ending trailheads for your proposed itinerary. If there are multiple entry/exit points that serve your intended route, choose one set now. You can always switch trailheads when you pick up your permit.

Trailhead Entry: Trailhead Out:

	<u>Trip Start Date</u>	<u>Campground</u>
* Night 1	Before entering a start date, check the link above to be sure	Before entering campgrounds, check the link above for any restrictions on your intended campground choices (one night limits, extended itinerary required, etc.)
Night 2	all of your campgrounds are open. Many higher elevation	
Night 3	campgrounds don't open for reservations until August 1!	
Night 4		
Night 5		
Night 6		
Night 7		
Night 8		
Night 9		
Night 10		
Night 11		
Night 12		
Night 13		
Night 14		

Second Choice Itinerary If we can't accommodate your first choice itinerary and you are interested in another itinerary, list it below. Alternate itineraries are not required, but they will improve your chances of securing a back-country trip. HINT: Make this a completely different itinerary than your first choice, preferably in a different area of the park. You will have the opportunity to customize itineraries later in the application so there is no need to "waste" itineraries by reversing your first choice campgrounds, substituting different campgrounds on the same route, etc.

Number of backcountry nights: This can be a different number for each itinerary choice

Trailhead Entry: Trailhead Out:

	<u>Trip Start Date</u>	<u>Campground</u>
* Night 1		
Night 2		
Night 3		
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Third Choice Itinerary

Number of backcountry nights:

Trailhead Entry: Trailhead Out:

	<u>Trip Start Date</u>	<u>Campground</u>
* Night 1		
Night 2		
Night 3		
Night 4		
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Night 6		
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Night 10		
Night 11		
Night 12		
Night 13		
Night 14		

Fourth Choice Itinerary

Number of backcountry nights:

Trailhead Entry: Trailhead Out:

	<u>Trip Start Date</u>	<u>Campground</u>
* Night 1		
Night 2		
Night 3		
Night 4		
Night 5		
Night 6		
Night 7		
Night 8		
Night 9		
Night 10		
Night 11		
Night 12		
Night 13		
Night 14		

Other Options

I will accept different start and end dates for any of my requested itineraries Yes No

The earliest **DAY** I can stay in the backcountry

Before entering this date, consider the logistics of your arrival date. Airline flights are often delayed and driving time from the nearest airport is about 40 minutes. Picking up your permit by our 4:30 PM deadline and getting on the trail in time to hike to your first campground before dark may not be possible.

The last **NIGHT** I can stay in the backcountry

Before entering this date, consider the logistics of your departure date. It is extremely difficult to spend your last night in the backcountry, hike out in the morning, and drive or be shuttled to the airport in time to catch an afternoon flight. We recommend spending your last night in the frontcountry to allow for these considerations.



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I will accept the following minor changes to any of my requested itineraries:

- Substitute different campgrounds along the same route
- Reversing a route using the same campgrounds as listed or reversing a route using different campgrounds
- Shorter trip in the same park area which may be shorter by either one or two days
- Substitute different campgrounds within the following park area(s):

Routes in the park often have several campgrounds within acceptable hiking mileage of one another. If you choose this option, we will substitute available campgrounds not exceeding 12 miles per day, unless you indicate a preference for other mileage in the comments section of this application. We will not honor requests for greater than 16 miles per day on any advance reservation.

[Backcountry Campground, Trailhead, and Area Information](#)

Check this link if you are unfamiliar with the broader park areas listed below. These areas are broken down roughly by major drainages. Moving from one area to another may require going over snowy passes or across hazardous snowfields. Snow and water hazards are generally gone by August 1st, although rivers and creeks may swell after heavy rain.

- North Fork
- Lake McDonald
- St. Mary/Cut Bank
- Belly River/Many Glacier
- Goat Haunt
- Two Medicine
- Walton (Park, Ole, Nyack, Coal Creeks)

Last Resort - I just want something!

- I will accept a completely different itinerary for the dates I have listed. The itinerary may be significantly shorter in nights (possibly one night), or miles, or both. It could be in a different area of the park than I requested and might significantly affect my transportation logistics or require travel into or out of Canada.

Comments: (Max. mileage per day, etc.)

If you think your itinerary might be confusing, spell it out for us in this box. We may not be able to fulfill your requests, but your comments will help us better assess what you want to do, and possibly allow us to make adjustments (based on your itinerary flexibility) that provide you with a trip. It is not possible to discuss itinerary options or clarify trip requests over the phone.

Processing Notes: (Agency Use Only)