

## **LAKE CLARK NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE COMPENDIUM**

National Park Service (NPS) regulations applicable to the protection and equitable public use of units of the National Park System grant specified authorities to a park superintendent to allow or restrict certain activities. NPS regulations are found in Titles 36 and 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and created under authority and responsibility granted the Secretary of Interior in Titles 16 and 54 of the United States Code. The following compendium comprises a listing of NPS regulations that provide the Superintendent with discretionary authority to make designations or impose public use restrictions or conditions in park areas. The applicability and scope of the compendium is articulated in 36 CFR Sections 1.2 and 13.2, and 43 CFR Section 36.1.

The larger body of NPS regulations that do not provide discretionary authority to the Superintendent is not cited in this compendium. A complete and accurate picture of regulations governing use and protection of the unit can only be gained by viewing this compendium in context with the full body of applicable regulations found in Titles 36 and 43 CFR. *Please contact Lake Clark National Park and Preserve, Port Alsworth, Alaska at (907) 781-2218 for questions relating to information provided in this compendium.*

### **TITLE 36 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

#### **PART 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

##### **1.6(f) Compilation of activities requiring a permit**

- Collecting research specimens, 2.5
- Operating a power saw in developed areas, 2.12(a)(2)
- Operating a portable motor or engine in undeveloped areas, 2.12(a)(3)
- Operating a public address system, 2.12(a)(4)
- Air delivery, 2.17(a)(3)
- Noncommercial soliciting, 2.37
- Using, possessing, storing, or transporting explosives, blasting agents, or explosive materials, 2.38(a)
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- Special events, 2.50(a)
- Demonstrations involving 26 or more persons, 2.51
- Sale and distribution of printed matter for First Amendment purposes by groups of 26 or more persons, 2.52
- Grazing, 2.60(a)(1), (2)
- Residing on federal lands, 2.61(a)
- Installing a monument or other commemorative installation, 2.62(a)
- Towing a person using a parasail, hang glider, or other airborne device, 3.12(b)
- Removing sunken, grounded, or disabled vessels, 3.14(a)
- Operating a submersible, 3.19

- Commercial notices or advertisements, 5.1
- Commercial operations, 5.3
- Commercial photography or filming, 5.5
- Construction or repair of any building, structure, facility, road, trail, or airstrip on federal lands, 5.7
- Mining operations (9.9(a)) or an approved Plan of Operations (in lieu of permit)
- Scientific research, 13.50
- Group sizes exceeding 15 individuals, 13.50
- Launching, landing, or operating unmanned aircraft, 13.50
- Cabins on federal lands, 13.100-13.188
- Subsistence use in the Park by person who does not live within the Park boundary or a resident zone community, 13.440(a)
- Using aircraft access for subsistence activities in the Park, 13.450(a), 13.450(b)(1)
- Cutting of standing timber greater than 3 inches in diameter for non-commercial subsistence uses, 13.85(a)(1)
- Access to inholdings where access is not made by aircraft, snowmachine, motorboat or non-motorized surface transportation, 43 CFR 36.10(b)
- Salvaging, removing, possessing aircraft, 43 CFR 36.11 (f)(3)(ii)
- Helicopter use, 43 CFR 36.11(f)(4)
- Off-road vehicle (ORV) use, 43 CFR 36.11(g)(2)
- Temporary access across federal land for survey, geophysical or exploratory work, 43 CFR 36.12(c)

## **PART 2. RESOURCE PROTECTION, PUBLIC USE AND RECREATION**

**2.1(a)(4) Designated areas for collection of dead wood on the ground for firewood**  
Superseded by 13.35(c)(4), 13.35(d), and 13.485(b).

**2.1(a)(5) Designated areas and conditions for walking on, climbing, entering, ascending, descending, or traversing an archeological or cultural resource, monument, or statue**  
No designated areas or conditions.

**2.1(b) Designated trails**  
No restrictions on walking or hiking.

**2.1(c)(1)-(3) Designated fruits, nuts, berries, and unoccupied seashells to harvest by hand and collection restrictions**  
Superseded by 13.35(c) and 13.485(b).

**2.2(d) Established conditions and procedures for transporting lawfully taken wildlife through park areas**  
See also 13.42(e).

**2.2(e) Designated areas for wildlife viewing with artificial light**

No areas designated for closure.

**2.3(d)(8) Designated areas open for fishing from motor road bridges and public boat docks**

All areas are designated as open for fishing from motor road bridges and boat docks.

**2.4(a)(2)(i), (h) Carrying, using, or possessing weapons**

Individuals are authorized to possess firearms in NPS areas in accordance with applicable state and federal law. With the exception of public use cabins, possession of firearms is prohibited in Federally owned or leased buildings. The laws regarding discharge of firearms remain unchanged.

**2.10(a) Camping: conditions and permits**

Superseded in part by 13.25.

**2.10(d) Food storage: designated areas and methods**

(1) Definition: A *bear resistant container* (BRC) means an item constructed to prevent access by a bear. BRC's include—

- Items approved by the Department of Interior and Agriculture's Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee:  
<http://igbconline.org/certified-products-list/>
- Additional items listed by the State of Alaska, Department of Fish and Game, Division of Wildlife Conservation:  
<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=livingwithbears.bearcontainers>, with the concurrence of the Superintendent;
- Items or methods approved by the Superintendent.

(2) In designated areas - within ½ mile of a) the coast line of Cook Inlet b) the shore lines of Kontrashibuna Lake, Tazimina Lake, Telaquana Lake, Crescent Lake, Turquoise Lake, Upper Twin Lake and Lower Twin Lake, and c) the Priest Rock Cabin – food and beverages, food and beverage containers, garbage and harvested fish must be stored in a bear resistant container (BRC) or secured—

- Within a hard sided building;
- Within lockable and hard sided section of a vehicle, vessel, or aircraft; or
- By caching a minimum of 100 feet from camp and suspending at least 10 feet above the ground and 4 feet horizontally from a post, tree trunk or other object on a line or branch that will not support a bear's weight.
- The Superintendent may, upon request, waive or modify food storage requirements in circumstances where compliance with these requirements is not possible, overly burdensome, and is consistent with public safety and wildlife conservation interests.

(3) This provision does not apply to—

- Legally taken game
- Areas not designated in paragraph (2);

- Food that is being transported, consumed or prepared for consumption; and
- Clean dishes and cooking equipment free of food odors.
- Bait being used for trapping and hunting under the provisions of state and federal law.

*The intent of these designations is to prevent bears and other wildlife from obtaining and habituating to food and garbage, thus protecting wildlife and park visitors alike. We strongly recommend that dishes and cooking equipment be securely stored; but clean and odor free items are not required to be stored in secure containers. We also recommend using BRC's in all areas of the park, but do not require it. Ice chests and coolers, tents, dry bags or stuff sacks, plastic packing boxes (Totes, Action Packers, etc) and unmodified kayaks are not generally approved as BRC. The park offers bear resistant containers for temporary use to the public. The containers are free of charge and can be picked up at the park's visitor center in Port Alsworth.*

### **2.11 Picnicking: designated areas**

Superseded by 13.26.

### **2.13(a)(1) Fires: designated areas and conditions**

Campfires are prohibited in Richard L. Proenneke Historic Site (see attached map) and within 100 yards of the Priest Rock public use cabin. Campfires are authorized in all other areas without a permit. All trash (foil, burnt food, glass, and cans) must be removed from the fire site after use.

State or local fire burn bans are automatically adopted under this section unless the superintendent determines the ban is not necessary in park areas.

### **2.14(a)(2) Sanitation and refuse: conditions using government receptacles**

Dumping of refuse brought into the park in the NPS landfill or trash receptacles is prohibited unless otherwise authorized by the Superintendent.

*This requirement is intended to ensure the refuse handled by the park is generated by activities occurring within the park.*

### **2.14(a)(5) Sanitation: designated areas for bathing and washing**

No designated areas. Unless otherwise allowed by the Superintendent, bathing and washing of cooking utensils, food and other property at all public water outlets, fixtures, or pools is prohibited.

### **2.14(a)(7) Sanitation: designated areas for disposal of fish remains**

Silver Salmon Creek: all fish must be gutted and cleaned on the ocean beach.

In all other areas, fish remains may not be disposed on land, or in waters within 200 feet of public boat docks, designated swimming beaches, or within developed areas for reasons of public health and safety.

*Fish remains may not be disposed of on either land or water within 200 feet of public boat docks or designated swimming beaches, or within developed areas for reasons of public health and safety.*

**2.14(a)(9), (b) Sanitation: disposal, carrying out of human waste**

When the ground is not frozen, human feces must be either packed out or deposited in a “cathole” dug 6-8 inches deep in soil at least 100 feet from any water source, shoreline, campsite or trail. When the ground is frozen, human feces must be disposed over at least 100 feet from any water source and covered with snow or packed out.

Tissue paper and sanitary items should be packed out or burned when fire hazard is low.

*The intent of these conditions is to provide for healthy, sanitary and visually aesthetic environments as well as to protect natural resources.*

**2.15(a)(1) Areas designated as closed to pets**

No designated areas. Pets must be leashed or physically restrained at all times.

**2.15(a)(3) Conditions for leaving pets unattended and tied to an object**

No conditions at present.

*Leaving pets unattended and tied to an object is prohibited.*

**2.15(a)(5) Pet excrement disposal conditions**

No conditions at present.

**2.16 (a)-(c) Horses and pack animals**

Superseded by 43 CFR 36.11(e).

Access for subsistence purposes under 36 CFR 13.460(a) supersedes this section.

**2.17(a)(1) Aircraft operation**

Superseded by 43 CFR 36.11(f)(1).

Use of aircraft in the Park for subsistence purposes is prohibited under 36 CFR 13.450.

**2.17(a)(2) Aircraft operation near docks, piers, swimming beaches and other designated areas**

No areas prohibited.

**2.17(c)(1) Conditions for removing downed aircraft**

Superseded by 43 CFR 36.11(f)(3)(ii).

**2.18(c) Snowmobiles: designated areas for use**

No areas designated for snowmachine use.

See also, 43 CFR 36.11(c) regarding snowmachine use for traditional activities and 36 CFR 13.460 for subsistence uses.

**2.19(a) Winter activities on roads and in parking areas: designated areas**

Roads and parking areas open to vehicle traffic in the winter are designated as open to winter activities.

**2.19(b) The towing of persons on skis, sleds, or other sliding devices by motor vehicle or snowmobile is prohibited, except in designated areas or routes**

No designated areas or routes.

**2.21 Smoking**

All public buildings are closed to smoking unless specifically permitted and signed as a designated smoking area. Smoking is prohibited within 100 feet of the park fuel and aviation gas storage facility.

*These restrictions are intended to protect public safety from fire or explosion around fuel storage and dispensing facilities. Electronic cigarettes, or e-cigs, are included in the above restrictions.*

**2.22 Property: leaving property unattended for longer than 24 hours**

Superseded by 13.45.

**2.35(a)(3)(i) Alcoholic beverages: areas designated as closed to consumption**

No areas designated as closed.

**2.38(b) Fireworks: permits, designated areas, and conditions**

No areas designated for use of fireworks.

**2.51 First Amendment Demonstrations**

The area depicted on the attached map titled “Designated Area for First Amendment Activities” is open to public demonstrations by groups that involve 25 or fewer persons without a permit. Demonstrations involving twenty-six or more individuals must have a permit issued by the superintendent.

**2.52 Designated areas for sale and distribution of printed matter for First Amendment purposes**

The area depicted on the attached map titled “Designated Area for First Amendment Activities” is open to sale or distribution of printed matter by groups that involve 25 or fewer persons without a permit. Printed matter is limited to message-bearing textual printed material such as books, pamphlets, magazines, and leaflets, provided that it is not solely commercial advertising. Groups

involving twenty-six or more individuals must have a permit issued by the superintendent.

**2.60(a)(3) Designated areas for grazing**

Individuals may allow authorized pack or saddle animals to graze in NPS areas without a permit for less than 14 days in a calendar year under the following conditions:

1. Grazing is in conjunction with the animals being used as pack or saddle animals in NPS areas.
2. Any feed brought in must be weed free.

Grazing in support of commercial operations is only allowed under permit from the superintendent.

*These restrictions seek to lessen the impact of extended camps on vegetation.*

See also section 13.50 of this document which prohibits certain domestic animals in NPS areas.

**2.62(b) Memorialization: designation of areas for scattering ashes**

All areas are open to scattering of ashes without a permit.

**PART 3. BOATING AND WATER USE ACTIVITIES**

**3.3 Permits**

No permits required at present.

**3.7 Personal Flotation Devices: designated times and/or activities**

No designated times or activities. PFDs must be worn in accordance with 33 CFR part 175.

**3.8(a)(2) Boating, prohibited operations: designated launching areas**

All areas are open to launching of boats.

**3.8(a)(4) Operating a vessel in excess of designated length, width, or horsepower**

No designations at present.

**3.8(b)(3) Operating a vessel in excess of flat wake speed in designated areas**

No designated areas.

**3.12(a) Water skiing: designated waters**

All areas designated open.

**3.14(a) Conditions for removing sunken, grounded, or disabled vessels**

A permit is required from the Superintendent before sunken, grounded, or disabled vessels may be removed from waters within NPS administered areas

except when the operator is able to remove or repair the vessel on site safely and without potential for damage to resources.

*This requirement allows the Superintendent to establish terms and conditions for salvage operations as necessary to protect resources and provide for public safety.*

**3.16 Swimming and wading: areas designated as closed**

All areas are open to swimming and wading.

**3.17(a) Designated swimming areas and beaches**

No designated areas.

**3.17(c) Use or possession of flotation devices, glass containers, kites, or incompatible activities in swimming areas or beaches**

No restrictions at present.

**3.18(a) SCUBA and underwater diving: closures and restrictions**

No closures or restrictions at present.

**PART 4. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC SAFETY**

**4.10 Routes or areas designated for off-road motor vehicle use in Preserves**

No routes or areas designated.

See also 43 CFR 36.11(g).

**4.11(a) Load weight and size limits: permit requirements and restrictive conditions**

No restrictions at present.

**4.21(b)-(c) Speed limits: designation of a different speed limit**

No designations; therefore park area speed limits of 15 miles per hour apply in the business and residential areas.

*All vehicles should operate at a safe speed, especially in the Port Alsworth headquarters/residential areas.*

**4.30(a) Routes designated as open to bicycles**

Superseded by 43 CFR 36.11(e).

**4.30(d)(1) Wilderness closed to bicycle use**

Superseded by 43 CFR 36.11(e).

**4.31 Hitchhiking: designated areas**

All areas are open to hitchhiking.

## **PART 5. COMMERCIAL AND PRIVATE OPERATIONS**

### **5.7 Construction of buildings, roads, trails, airstrips, or other facilities**

Maintenance of established landing strips utilizing non-motorized hand tools is not considered construction or repair and no permit is required.

## **PART 13. ALASKA REGULATIONS**

### **13.25(a) Closures and restrictions to camping**

From April 15 through September 30, camping within 2 miles of Upper or Lower Twin Lakes for more than a total of 21 days, either in a single period or combined periods is prohibited, unless otherwise authorized by the superintendent.

From April 15 through September 30, camping at the Hope Creek campsite (see attached map) for more than a total of 14 days, in either a single period or combined periods is prohibited, unless otherwise authorized by the superintendent.

Except at designated campgrounds, camping is prohibited in the Richard L. Proenneke Historic Site and surrounding area (see attached map).

### **13.25(b) Site time limits: authorization to exceed 14 day limit at one location**

No general exceptions at present.

### **13.25(c) Designated campgrounds: restrictions, terms, and conditions**

No designated campgrounds.

### **13.26 Picnicking-areas where prohibited or otherwise restricted**

Chinitna Bay bear viewing area - Picnicking in Chinitna Bay from Glacier spit to the NPS Ranger Cabin (2 miles east) is prohibited above the beach from June 1 thru August 30.

*This restriction is intended to minimize the risk of negative human/bear interactions and prevent bears from associating food with the bear viewing area.*

### **13.35(d) Collection of dead standing wood: areas designated as open and conditions for collection**

No designated areas.

### **13.35(f)(1) Natural features: size and quantity restrictions for collection**

No restrictions at present.

### **13.35(f)(2) Natural features: closures or restrictions due to adverse impacts**

No closures or restrictions at present.

### **13.45(b)(1)-(6) Exceptions to unattended or abandoned property**

Superintendent authorizations for exceptions for unattended or abandoned property are made on a case by case basis. Contact park headquarters for more information.

### **13.45(c) Designated areas where personal property may not be left unattended for any time period, limits on amounts and types, manner in which property is stored**

No designated areas.

### **13.50 Closures and restrictions**

Group Size. A permit is required for group sizes exceeding 15 individuals.

Chinitna Bay: From May 1 through August 31, meadow north of the viewing areas and the slough in Chinitna Bay as shown on the attached map is closed.

Silver Salmon Creek/Sergeant Creek: The trail shown on the attached map of Silver Salmon Creek is closed to all public entry.

Unmanned Aircraft. Launching, landing, or operating an unmanned aircraft from or on lands and waters administered by the National Park Service within the boundaries of Lake Clark National Park and Preserve is prohibited except as approved in writing by the superintendent.

The term "unmanned aircraft" means a device that is used or intended to be used for flight in the air without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the device, and the associated operational elements and components that are required for the pilot or system operator in command to operate or control the device (such as cameras, sensors, communication links). This term includes all types of devices that meet this definition (e.g., model airplanes, quadcopters, drones) that are used for any purpose, including for recreation or commerce.

In Park areas where use of model aircraft for hobbyist or recreational use has been previously authorized, such use may continue under a permit issued by the Superintendent.

This restriction does not affect the primary jurisdiction of the Federal Aviation Administration over the National Airspace System.

#### Domestic Goats and Sheep

Use or possession of domestic goats or sheep within NPS administered areas is prohibited.

#### Llamas, Alpacas, and other Members of the Camelidae or Bovidae Family

Use or possession of llamas, alpacas, or any other domestic animal of the Camelidae or Bovidae Family within NPS administered areas is prohibited except as pack animals in accordance with written authorization from the superintendent.

Proenneke Historic Cabin. Food and beverages (other than water) are prohibited inside of the Richard L. Proenneke Historic Cabin.

**13.122 Established conditions for removal of cabin for which a cabin permit has been denied, expired, or revoked**

No conditions established at present (may require access permit).

**13.160 Designated existing cabins, shelters or temporary facilities that may be shared for subsistence uses without a permit**

No designations at present. All subsistence use requires permit from superintendent.

**13.166 Established conditions and standards governing the use and construction of temporary structures and facilities for subsistence purposes, published annually**

No conditions or standards established at present.

**13.170 Designated cabins or other structures for general public use**

The Priest Rock cabin is designated as public use and available for reservation at [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov).

**13.172 Established conditions and allocation system to manage the use of designated public**

Reservations for the Priest Rock cabin are limited to 5 consecutive nights and 21 nights in a calendar year by the same person.

**13.188(b) Established conditions for removal of temporary facility used in excess of 14 days**

Individuals must remove facility, all personal property, and return the site to its natural condition.

*These conditions are intended to protect the park from impacts to vegetation and soil and to ensure that personal items are not left in the park.*

**13.460 Closures or restrictions to the use of snowmobiles, motorboats, dog teams, and other means of surface transportation traditionally employed by local rural residents engaged in subsistence uses**

See also 36 CFR 2.16, 2.17, 2.18, 3.6, 4.10, 4.30; 43 CFR 36.11(c)-(e).

**13.485(a)(1) Permit specifications for harvesting standing timber greater than 3” diameter for subsistence purposes (house logs & firewood)**

The superintendent may allow subsistence harvest of trees greater than 3” subject to the terms and conditions of a permit issued by the superintendent.

*The above restriction serves to minimize impact to park resources and protect against overharvest.*

**13.485(a)(2) Restrictions on cutting of timber less than 3" in diameter for subsistence purposes**

Stumps shall be 8 inches or less above the ground.

*The above restriction is intended to make cut stumps visually blend in with the surroundings while minimizing safety hazards associated with timber harvest.*

**43 CFR, PART 36 TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITY SYSTEMS (Access Regulations)**

**36.11(c) Temporary closures to the use of snowmachines for traditional activities**

No closures at present.

See also 2.18.

**36.11(d) Temporary closures to the use of motorboats**

No closures at present.

See also 3.3, 3.6.

**36.11(e) Temporary closures to the use of non-motorized surface transportation**

No closures at present.

See also 13.50, 2.16, 3.3, 3.6, 13.50.

**36.11(f)(1) Temporary closures to landing fixed-wing aircraft**

No closures at present.

**36.11(f)(3)(ii) Established procedure for salvaging and removing downed aircraft**

A permit is required from the superintendent before downed aircraft may be salvaged and removed from the NPS lands; violation of the terms and conditions of the permit is prohibited.

*This requirement allows the superintendent to establish terms and conditions for salvage operations as necessary to protect resources, provide for public safety, and minimize impacts on visitors.*

**36.11(g)(2) Use of off-road vehicles (ORV) on existing trails**

No designated trails. See also 4.10.