



Permit to Scatter Ashes

Human ashes may be scattered in Mount Rainier National Park with a permit.

Restrictions and Conditions

Party size determines which locations in the park may be used for the spreading of ashes.

1-12 participants: may use wilderness and primitive areas as well as many roadside locations.

13-24 participants: may not use wilderness or primitive locations, but may use certain pre-determined locations along trails at Paradise and Sunrise; may also use locations along roads such as pullouts.

25-60 participants: limited to roadside locations.

If group size is over 12, this activity may not take place at Paradise or Sunrise between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekends due to congestion.

Cremated remains must be pulverized and fully dispersed. Ashes may not be dispersed within 100 yards of any body of water or in a developed area. Ashes may not be spread within half a mile of Tipsoo or Reflection Lakes. No container, urn, or memorial markers may be left within park boundaries.

Ceremonies may not impede the activities of other visitors. Outdoor areas will not be closed off during ceremonies and parking may not be reserved.

Spreading Ashes by Airplane

The scattering of ashes from the air also requires a permit and is to be performed at a minimum of 2,000 feet above the ground.

Ashes may not be scattered over roads, developed areas, or bodies of water.

How to Apply

Mail the completed application form and a check for \$25 to cover the non-refundable application fee to the following address. Or you may submit the application by fax or mail and request that the permit coordinator contact you for payment by credit card. A minimum of two weeks is required for processing.

Mount Rainier National Park
Attention: Permit Coordinator
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