APPENDIX G. PROTECTION OF NATIONAL PARK SERVICE MUSEUM COLLECTIONS

A. Overview

This appendix contains information that supports the guidance we provide in NPS Museum Handbook, Part I, Chapter 9, Museum Collections Security and Fire Protection and Chapter 10, Emergency Planning. In this appendix you will find:

- NPS standards for security and fire protection
- Definitions of security and fire protection terms
- Sample statements of work for security and fire protection surveys
- Sample standard operating procedures and agreements
- Mandates and requirements for emergency management

B. NPS Standards for Security and Fire Protection

1. What general standards do I need to meet?

- Identify all threats that may affect the museum collection and take steps to counter those threats.
- Ensure that the park's museum protection program applies to everyone on the staff.
- Implement a thorough and vigorously enforced fire prevention program in buildings housing museum collections and museum records.
- Ensure that systems for detecting and controlling access meet Underwriters Laboratories (UL) standards and systems for detecting and suppressing fires meet UL and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards.
- Establish a process for evaluating plans for building and exhibit construction and rehabilitation to ensure that security and fire protection objectives will be met.


2. What security standards do I need to meet?

- Issue keys to storage rooms and exhibit cases only to those employees who have a frequently (at least daily) recurring need for direct, unaccompanied access to collections.
- Control the issuing of keys strictly by using signed hand receipts (Form
3. **What fire protection standards do I need to meet?**

- Write and implement procedures for access to museum collections.
- Ensure that researchers or qualified visitors entering a space housing museum objects are accompanied at all times by someone on the park museum staff.
- Maintain a visitor log to record non-museum staff entries into museum storage and work areas.
- Write and implement opening and closing procedures for museum exhibit, storage, research and work spaces.
- Equip museum storage rooms with secure metal or solid-core wooden doors in substantial frames. Equip those doors with deadbolt locks and other appropriate security hardware, such as non-removable pin hinges.
- Install and maintain intrusion detection systems appropriate to the nature of the facility, the nature and value of the collection, and to the known threats.
- Ensure that intrusion detection systems are inspected and maintained on a regular schedule.
- House highly sensitive and valuable objects (such as firearms) in storage cabinets of an appropriate design with keyed or combination locks.
- Protect irreplaceable or particularly sensitive or valuable objects on exhibit by using appropriate mounts, cases, or security electronics (or some combination of the three) or by other means that will protect them from theft or vandalism without making curatorial access or visitor viewing impractical or difficult.
- Give museum objects, especially those on exhibit, additional protection at times of high risk, such as during special events or when exhibit galleries are particularly crowded, or when uniquely threatened, such as by terrorist threats or attack or during times of civil unrest.
- Incorporate the needs of museum objects and museum records in the Structural Fire Plan.
- Keep all museum property records (paper and electronic) in appropriate locking fire-resistant filing cabinet, safe, or walk-in vault.
- Protect spaces housing museum collections by automatic fire detection and suppression systems appropriate to the risks involved, the nature of the collection, the nature of the fires that could occur in those spaces (including attention to fuel types and loading), the nature of the structure, and the capabilities and timeliness of responding forces.
- Protect spaces housing collections by appropriately rated, sized, and
C. Museum Security and Fire Protection Surveys

1. What are the subjects that I need to address in a security survey?

The outline below lists subjects that may be addressed during a protection survey.

- The Park or Facility
  - Name or other identifier
  - Function or purpose
  - Location (including proximity to other facilities and communities)
  - Physical nature of the facility and its surroundings
  - Climate
  - Staffing (including nature and size of staff, hours, seasonal variations)
  - Visitor access (including visitor use characteristics, numbers of visitors, hours, seasonal variations)
  - The law enforcement situation (including type of jurisdiction, reaction/response times)
  - Site loss history (including nature/impact of past criminal activity,

- Located portable fire extinguishers.

- Instruct designated park staff in proper techniques to prevent and suppress fires and in emergency evacuation and protection of people, structures, and collections.

- Ensure that storage shelves and cabinets and exhibit cases do not obstruct discharge of a suppression agent. Minimize potential damage to objects from agent discharge by ensuring that objects are in cabinets or under protective covers.

- Keep flammable solvents and supplies in museum work spaces only when kept in UL approved safety containers stored inside UL approved flammable storage cabinets. Never house flammable solvents and supplies in collection storage spaces.

- Prohibit smoking and open flames in collection storage, work, and exhibit areas.

- Store cellulose nitrate photographic negatives and motion picture film and other flammable or hazardous objects separately from the rest of the museum collection.

- Construct storage areas and, where possible, exhibit areas of fire-resistant materials.
nature/impact of other loss events, subsequent mitigating/preventive actions, current loss control policies, programs, procedures)

• Perimeter Security (External)

  – Perimeter barriers and access points: nature and effectiveness (including fences, natural barriers, clear zones, underground passages)

  – Cover (such as vegetation) for possible illegal activity

  – Lighting (including nature, location and areas of coverage, maintenance and testing, power supply, circuit, and switching reliability, tamper resistance, operation)

  – Access points (including controls such as gates, locks, and surveillance)

  – Patrols (including nature, frequency, and seasonal variations)

  – Intrusion detection system (including type of system, power supply, tamper resistance, signal transmission method(s) and supervision)

  – Inspection, testing, and maintenance, operating procedures and instructions, and monitoring of alarms

• The Structure Housing Museum Collections

  – Perimeter security (such as doors, windows, loading docks, walls, roofs, floors, basements, attics, and underground tunnels)

  – Interior security (such as connecting doors and pass-throughs, walls and interior windows, ceilings and spaces above them, floors and crawl spaces, duct work, storerooms, closets, utility rooms, vaults, storage cabinets, elevators and stairwells, and hiding places)

  – Locks and related hardware (including types, mounting, and cylinders and keys)

  – Interior lighting (including security, emergency types, mounting, and cylinders and keys, lighting reliability)

  – Intrusion detection system (including detectors, controls, tamper resistance of wiring and components, alarm transmission methods and supervision, inspection, testing, and maintenance, operating procedures and instructions, monitoring of alarms)

  – Fire detection systems (including detectors, controls, power supply, tamper resistance of wiring and components, alarm transmission methods and supervision, inspection, testing, and maintenance, operating procedures and instructions, monitoring
alarms)

− Fire suppression systems (including appropriateness relative to threats, reliability, supervision, inspection, testing, and maintenance, response to activation)

− Fire prevention programs (including policies and procedures, housekeeping, staff training, evacuation)

− Safes, vaults, and media containers (including type, location, capacity, and use)

• Procedures

− Key and combination control (including policies and procedures, documentation/records, and security of keys and cores)

− Building opening and closing (including policies and procedures, checklists, and monitoring by management)

− Housekeeping practices

− Employee screening, investigation, and identification

− Package and material control

− Visitor control (including control of visitors to staff-only areas, passes, records of visits, and ID's for contractors, tradesmen, utility workers)

− Visitor surveillance and inspection

− Protection of administrative records

− Security of cash and valuables

− Control of access to restricted areas or facilities (including museum and non-museum staff)

− Property inventory and control

− Security communications (including methods, reliability, back-up power, employee operation, and efficiency and speed)

− Incident reporting (including timeliness, accuracy, and records creation and maintenance)

• Individual Object Protection

− Storage spaces (including physical construction, access control, housekeeping practices, storage cabinets and shelves, inventory
2. Where can I obtain a sample scope of work for a security and fire protection survey?

Figures G.1 and G.2 provide suggested language for a scope of work (SOW) statement for a security survey and a fire protection survey. When contracting for a combined security and fire protection survey, the two documents can be merged and redundant language eliminated. In the sample SOWs, the square brackets [ ] denote alternative words or phrases, one of which must be chosen and the other deleted, depending upon the situation. Square brackets also mark off optional words and phrases that may be applicable. The text for these sample statements of work is available on diskette or via cc:Mail from your SSO Curator.

D. Park Museum Protection Standard Operating Procedures and Agreements

1. How do I organize museum standard operating procedures?

In preparing park-level policy statements and procedures, it is important to distinguish between policies and procedures. Policies express what is allowed and not allowed. Procedures express how to carry out the policies (how, when, by whom, and under what circumstances you put the policies into effect.)

Museum facility standard operating procedures (SOPs) share certain common elements with all standard operating procedures. They all include the following information:

- **Why** the required actions should be performed. When the purposes for having the SOP are made clear, and when the responsible staff fully understand why they must do certain things, the procedures become more valuable.

- **Who** is to perform the required actions. Depending on the circumstances, the SOP may indicate responsibility by name or by position title. The SOP will say that the procedures are to be followed by staff who have the duty by virtue of some roster or work schedule (which you must identify in the SOP). Regardless of how it is done, it is essential that the SOP assign specific responsibility.

- **When** the required actions are to be performed. Usually, specific times are given for either initiating or completing the procedures. The times may vary seasonally or according to the day of the week. It may not be necessary to set a specific time for initiating each action. Simply setting a time to begin the procedures or a time by which they are to be
completed will suffice.

- **Where** the required actions are to be performed. For example, an opening SOP might designate which building entrance is to be opened first, indicate where the intrusion detection system keypad and light switches are located, direct the sequential unlocking of specific emergency exit or other doors, specify where items needed during the procedure, such as flags, are to be found, and indicate which exhibit cases are to be checked.

- **How** the required actions must be performed or, as appropriate, may be performed. Unless there is a clear need for an action to be performed in a certain way, however, it is best to allow the responsible persons flexibility in how they carry out their tasks. When an action must be performed in a certain way, as with operating an intrusion detection system or certain high-security locks, the SOP then should be as specific and detailed as necessary to ensure that it is done that way.

- **What** the results of the actions should be. For example, it is not sufficient to say something like "Check all exhibit cases." Instead, the SOP should say "Visually examine exhibit cases 4-13 for evidence of burglary or tampering during the night and for objects and graphics that might have fallen or come loose from their mounts. Inspect exhibit case access doors to ensure that they are still locked and that the locks are in good condition."

Figures G.3 through G.8 provide suggested format and language for park collection opening and closing procedures, access policies and procedures, and an agreement with a fire department. The sample documents are designed to cover all elements that normally need to be considered in most parks. You generally should follow the sample formats. However, the language may vary depending on your park’s specific requirements and problems.

The electronic Museum Management Newsletter, issued by the NPS Museum Management Program, National Center for Cultural Resources Stewardship and Partnership publishes lists of park museum SOPs that are available upon request. Contact parks for copies of their SOPs. Some SOPs are available as WordPerfect files and can be furnished on disks or via cc:Mail either from the originating parks or your System Support Office (SSO).
3. Where do I find additional help with preparing access policies and procedures?

   - MH-II, Appendix D, Museum Archives and Manuscript Collections
     - Section T. Providing Access to Archival and Manuscript Collections
     - Section U. Identifying Appropriate Restrictions for Archival and Manuscript Collections
     - Section V. Implementing Access and Usage Policies for Archival and Manuscript Collections
     - Section W. Monitoring and Tracking Researcher Use of Archival and Manuscript Collections
     - Figure D.16. Researcher Registration Form (Sample)

   - MH-I, Chapter 6, Handling, Packing, and Shipping Museum Objects
     - Section C. General Rules for Handling Museum Objects

4. Where do I find a sample visitor log?

   See Figure G.6 for a sample visitor log. An unpunched, full size visitor log accompanies this appendix. Keep the full size visitor log as a master and make copies for your use.

5. Where do I find conditions for access to museum collections?

   See Figure G.7 for conditions for access to museum collections. An unpunched full size conditions for access to museum collections accompanies this appendix. Keep the full size document as a master and make copies for your use.

E. Mandates and Requirements for Emergency Management for Museum Collections

1. What laws and regulations do I need to know?

   Emergency preparedness is addressed in a number of Federal laws and regulations. The focus of these laws and regulations is on protecting visitors or on broad, general issues of park management and resource protection. See U.S. Code Citations: USC 12 & 17; 16 USC 1a-6, 1b-1, and 3; 28 USC 1346 & 2672; and 31 USC 6483; and 36 CFR 1.5.

   Chapter 5, Cultural Resource Management, requires:

   - Emergency Management [Page 5:14]: "The emergency operations plan for each park with cultural resources will address their protection or rescue in the event of an emergency or disaster."

   Chapter 8, Use of the Parks, outlines:

   - Emergency Preparedness and Emergency Operations [Page 8:6]: "The National Park Service will develop a program of emergency preparedness in accordance with the Federal Civil Defense Act (50 USC 2251 et seq.), National Security Decision Directive 259 (Feb. 4,
1987), departmental policy, and other considerations at the Washington, region, and park levels. The purpose of the program will be to maximize visitor and employee safety and the protection of property. This program will include a systematic method for alerting visitors to potential disasters and evacuation procedures.

Superintendents may assist other agencies with emergencies outside parks. To the extent practicable, written agreements with such other agencies in accordance with the Federal Assistance and Interagency Agreements Guideline (NPS-20) must first be in effect. NPS employees who are outside the area of their jurisdiction and who are directed by their supervisors to provide emergency assistance to other agencies will be considered to be acting within the scope of their employment.

NPS emergency operations will be conducted utilizing the Incident Command System (ICS) of the National Interagency Incident Management System (NIMS). Each superintendent will develop and maintain an emergency operations plan to ensure an effective response to all types of emergencies that can be reasonably anticipated.”

3. **What NPS guidelines do I need to know?**

   **NPS-28, Cultural Resource Management Guideline**, is the general guideline for protecting and managing all cultural resources, including museum objects.

   - *Chapter 4* provides general guidance on including cultural resources in the Emergency Operation Plan (EOP).
   
   - *Chapter 9* states that the needs of collections are incorporated in emergency operation plans and that EOPs identify protection and recovery priorities for the most significant objects in the collection.

4. **What are the NPS standards for museum emergency management?**

   - Identify all disasters and other emergencies that could cause damage to or loss of the museum collection, in whole or in part.
   
   - Include in the EOP a description of methods for protecting collections in time of emergency or write a separate museum emergency plan that describes such methods.
   
   - Identify methods to mitigate against disaster-related damage, to the extent possible, and develop procedures for responding to and recovering from damages resulting from events that cannot be mitigated against.
   
   - Stockpile emergency materials for use during and after a disaster and take other appropriate preparedness measures in anticipation of emergencies.
   
   - Prioritize in the EOP museum objects according to their value and importance. Ensure that following a disaster, the most valuable or significant objects are given highest priority for emergency treatment.
Ensure that secure on-site or off-site storage is available for protecting collections if regular storage or exhibit space becomes unusable following a disaster. Keep arrangements for the emergency use of non-NPS space such as freezer plants, current at all times.

Establish cooperative or other agreements with local law enforcement, civil defense, and emergency response agencies, with other governmental and non-governmental agencies, and with nearby NPS units regarding mutual aid in time of disaster.

F. Glossary

- **Air Sampling Smoke Detector**: A device that draws air through small diameter (generally less than 1/8”) tubing into a detector unit that uses either the ionization, photoelectric, or cloud chamber principle to analyze the quantity of smoke or combustion products in the sample. (Also called Early Warning or Very Early Warning detectors.)

- **Arson**: The malicious burning of or attempt to burn property. Generally, an entire building will be affected rather than specific objects or property contained within.

- **Automatic Sprinkler System**: A network of overhead pipes with spaced outlets (sprinkler heads) that open at a predetermined temperature to discharge water onto a fire.

- **Barriers**: Tools for physical security designed to prevent, restrict, or delay access to a protected area or object.

- **Burglary**: Breaking and entering with the intent to commit a felony, usually theft, although vandalism also is common.

- **Capacitance Motion Detector**: A motion detector designed to detect motion close to a protected object, generally used to detect and discourage touching of high value exhibits, such as wall hangings or paintings. The device generates a capacitance field 4-6” from the protected object that detects any electrical conductor that enters the field.

- **Central Station**: A privately owned alarm monitoring system monitored by personnel who will report alarms to the police or fire department and to designated members of the staff of the protected site. A central station may be owned by the protected site (proprietary) or by a commercial business (commercial central station).

- **Civil Disturbances**: Disturbance of civil order and the peace. This activity may be organized or spontaneous; may be indiscriminate, involving the park as a consequence of its location, or discriminate, involving the park as a planned target; and may be a prelude to other criminal activity, especially vandalism and larceny and possibly robbery and assault.

- **Class A Fire**: A fire in ordinary combustibles (such as wood, paper, rubbish, and many plastics).

- **Class B Fire**: A fire in petroleum products, flammable gases and other flammable liquids (such as paints, thinners, and solvents).

- **Class C Fire**: A fire in energized electrical equipment and wiring, where the non-conductivity of the extinguishing agent is important.

- **Contact Switch**: A normally open or normally closed electrical switch that triggers an alarm when the switch
changes position. Examples include magnetic door and window contacts, plunger switches, and roller or ball switches.

- **Crime Prevention:** Anticipating, recognizing, and appraising the risk of a crime and initiating actions to remove or reduce the risk.

- **Cycling Sprinkler System:** A sprinkler system similar to a Preaction System, except that a separate heat detection system both opens and closes the control valve at predetermined temperatures. After the valve closes, if the fire rekindles, it reopens and water again flows from the opened heads. The valve will continue to open and close in accordance with the temperature sensed by the heat detection system.

- **Dry Pipe Sprinkler System:** A sprinkler system used in areas where temperatures below 32°F are expected. Pipes are filled with air or nitrogen under pressure. When fire opens a sprinkler head, air pressure in the system drops, releasing a valve, letting water flow into pipes and discharge from the open sprinkler(s).

- **Dual Technology Motion Detector:** A motion detector that combines two detection technologies (such as microwave/passive infrared or ultrasonic/passive infrared) to minimize unwanted alarms. Both technologies must detect motion before the device signals an alarm.

- **Duress Alarm:** A personal protection device (also known as a panic or hold-up alarm) consisting of a manually operated switch that triggers a local or remotely monitored alarm to summon assistance.

- **Embezzlement:** Appropriating fraudulently to one's own use or benefit property entrusted to one's care. The property stolen might be sold (fenced) or retained for the personal use of the embezzler.

- **Fire Protection Survey:** A survey of fire prevention and personnel training programs, structural and procedural fire hazards, maintenance of protective systems, and overall effectiveness of the fire protection program.

- **Flame Detector:** Device that detects radiant energy (such as infrared, ultraviolet, or both) that may or may not be visible to the human eye, such as glowing embers or coals, as well as flames.

- **Glass Break Detector:** Device that detects breaking glass. There are two types: frequency discriminators and metallic foil or wire. Frequency Discriminators detect the high frequency sounds generated when glass breaks. Metallic Foil or Wire is a ribbon of lead foil or small wire that carries an electrical current. It is attached to the glass around the perimeter of a window so when the glass breaks, the foil or wire breaks, breaking the electrical circuit, causing an alarm.

- **Heat Detectors:** Heat-responsive devices either of the spot or line type, designed to respond when the operating element reaches a predetermined temperature (Fixed Temperature), when the temperature rises at a rate exceeding 15°F per minute (Rate-of-Rise), or when the temperature of the air surrounding the device reaches a predetermined level, regardless of the rate of temperature rise (Rate Compensation). Some have both fixed temperature and rate-of-rise features.

- **Industrial Disasters:** Involves an explosion, structural collapse, hazardous materials release, fire, a major accident, nuclear incident, major power outage or utility loss, and a serious break in water, sewer, or gas line.

- **Ionization Detectors:** A device that detects small combustion particles generated in the flame stage of a fire.

- **Larceny:** Unlawful taking or stealing of property or articles of value without the use of violence or fraud. There is a presumption that the property was not entrusted to the care of the person committing the theft. A presumption of theft also can be raised by possession of recently stolen property.
• **Line-Type Heat Detector:** A heat sensitive wire or tube, which triggers an alarm when the temperature in the protected space increases at a rate of 15°F, or greater, in a minute.

• **Line-Type (Photoelectric Beam) Smoke Detector:** A device that projects a beam of light (in the infrared range) to a receiver across an open area. The receiver measures light diffraction to detect smoke. These detectors often are used to protect large gallery-type spaces with high ceilings.

• **Local Alarm System:** A fire or intrusion detection system that causes an audible or visual alarm at the protected site, but which is not monitored off-site.

• **Magnetic Contact:** A detection device that uses a magnet mounted on a movable surface to open or close a contact switch mounted on a fixed surface.

• **Microwave Motion Detector:** A device that transmits electromagnetic energy in the microwave range (radar). The device measures the amount of energy reflected back to it and detects motion based on the doppler effect (a frequency shift that occurs as an object moves toward or away from the detector).

• **Natural Catastrophe:** Involves an earthquake, volcanic eruption, landslide, flood, hurricane, tornado, tidal wave, lightning, or wildfire.

• **On-Off Sprinkler Head:** A sprinkler head used on a standard wet-pipe system that makes the system act like a Cycling Sprinkler System. The difference is that each individual sprinkler head contains a temperature-sensitive device that opens the head at a predetermined temperature and closes it automatically when the temperature falls to a preselected point. Systems with on-off sprinkler heads operate independently of the fire alarm system.

• **Passive Audio or Sonic Sensors:** Audio and sonic sensors detect sound. An Audio Sensor is a sound activated microphone that transmits sounds from the protected space to a loud speaker in the monitoring station so the person monitoring the sensor hears what is going on in the protected space. Sonic Sensors are frequency discriminators that detect sound in the frequency range associated with movement.

• **Passive Infrared Motion Detector (PIR):** A device sensitive to infrared heat in the range generated by the average human body. The detector transmits no energy, but uses a series of heat sensitive elements to cover the protected area in a pattern of zones resembling the fingers on a hand. The device detects motion when a heat source moves from one detection zone to another. Everything has an infrared signature, and many mimic that of the human body (for example, a large animal or a radiant heater).

• **Photoelectric Beam Motion Detector:** A device with a transmitter that projects a beam of infrared light across an open space to a receiver. The receiver may be located directly across from the transmitter, or the light beam can be directed around the room with a series of small mirrors. Photoelectric beam devices may use just one beam or, to minimize unwanted alarms, several beams (stacked array).

• **Photoelectric Detector:** A device that detects large combustion particles in visible smoke.

• **Physical Security:** All measures intended to prevent acts of violence against persons and destructive or unauthorized access to, or removal of, property.

• **Preaction Sprinkler System:** A type of dry pipe sprinkler system with the water supply controlled by a fire detection system (either smoke or heat detection) wired so an alarm opens a valve to let water flow into the system piping. After the supply valve opens, the preaction system operates like a wet-pipe system.

• **Pressure Mat:** A pressure-sensitive mat, usually placed under a rug or carpet, to detect an intruder stepping
into the protected space.

- **Probability**: The likelihood of a threat becoming an actual loss event.

- **Risk**:
  
  - **Conventional Risk**: A condition that entails both the possibility of loss and gain, such as investing in the stock market.
  
  - **Pure Risk**: A condition that is loss-only oriented. Among the pure risks that threaten park assets are crimes, natural disasters, civil unrest, and accidents.

- **Risk Assumption**: Using existing resources to absorb losses as and when they occur.

- **Risk Management**: The process of identifying, evaluating, and eliminating as many risks as possible by selecting and implementing effective countermeasures.

- **Risk Transfer**: The process of transferring a risk to another entity for a fee. A known cost, such as an insurance premium, may be substituted for the chance of a greater loss.

- **Robbery**: Theft by violence or threat of violence to one's person. Also included under this heading is the taking of a hostage to force someone on the museum staff to open the building or a secure area within the building.

- **Security**: Security includes all techniques, procedures, equipment and planning intended to prevent loss of or damage to collection objects from criminal activity, negligence, fire, or other catastrophic events.

- **Security Survey**: The National Institute of Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice describes the security survey as "a critical on-site examination and analysis of an industrial plant, business or home, public or private institution to ascertain the present security status; to identify deficiencies or excesses; to determine the protection needed; and to make recommendation to improve the security."

- **Severity**: The impact or effect upon the assets or upon the organization if a loss does occur.

- **Shoplifting**: A specific type of larceny that involves theft of merchandise for sale. This threat is a concern when there are sales operations within the park.

- **Spot-Type Smoke Detector**: A device that detects products of combustion by either the ionization or photoelectric principle, covering a defined area (generally no more than 900 square feet per detector in an open space with ceiling height less than 15 feet).

- **Standpipe System**: A piping system in a building to which hoses are connected for emergency use by building occupants or by the fire department. Standpipe systems intended for fire department use normally do not have hoses permanently attached; responding fire personnel provide the hose and use the standpipe connection to reduce the amount of hose they must carry into the building. Such systems may be charged with water by fire department pumpers. Standpipe systems intended for occupant use will have hoses, usually 1½ inches in size, already attached. Such systems usually are permanently charged with water.

- **Strain Sensor**: A device that detects the distortion that occurs on the under side of a joist, floor, or platform when weight is applied to the top surface.

- **Threat**: A potential to inflict harm or cause damage or loss.
• **Ultrasonic Motion Detector:** Similar to the microwave motion detector, except the device uses high frequency acoustic (sound) energy that will not penetrate solids.

• **Vandalism:** Willful or malicious destruction or defacement of objects, exhibits, or structures. This crime may be random and indiscriminate or directed toward a particular object, building, or exhibit. Vandalism is called sabotage if committed to hinder operations.

• **Vibration or Shock Detector:** A device that attaches directly to a protected object, an exhibit platform, or the structure of an exhibit case, which detects vibration, such as might occur when someone moves the protected object or strikes the protected exhibit case.

• **Warded Lock:** A lock with gates to which the correct key aligns to allow movement of the bolt and with internal wards, or obstructions, that block the entry or turning of an incorrect key.

• **Wet Pipe Sprinkler System:** A sprinkler system in which the piping permanently contains water.
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SCOPE OF WORK
Museum Security Survey

[Park Name]

Purpose of Work

The work consists of conducting a museum security survey of the [facility/facilities] described below. There are two purposes for the survey. The first is to reveal and identify weaknesses in existing protection systems, equipment, procedures, policies, and operations that could result in the loss of such museum resources as collections, collection records, and exhibits, as well as the museum [structure/structures] [itself/themselves]. The second purpose is to identify alternatives to correct any weaknesses or deficiencies that may be found. The ultimate goal of performing the survey[s] and of implementing corrective actions is protecting museum property against all forms of losses.

Description of Site[s] to be Surveyed

[Here describe the buildings--visitor center, furnished historic structure, storage facility--to be surveyed. Characterize it/them in terms of location, size, functions, construction, and nature of contents. Provide whatever information is deemed necessary for the contractor to have in advance. In particular, indicate the nature of exhibits to be surveyed, making clear whether they are conventional exhibits or furnished rooms or both. In most cases, the Scope of Work (SOW) statement will become part of the request for proposal sent out to prospective contractors. It is important that prospective contractors have sufficient information about the site and facilities to be surveyed to permit them to make responsive proposals. You may wish to attach more detailed information, such as park brochures, to the SOW to avoid having to put a lot of detail in this section.]

Scope of Work

The Contractor will survey the structures or facilities described above, identify security weaknesses and deficiencies, and make recommendations for their correction in a separate formal report. [If more than one park is involved, you should request a separate report for each park. Only rarely might you specify a separate report for each structure in the same park.] The Contractor will visit and survey operations and conditions at [the site/each site] for [number of days]. In addition, the Contractor will return to [the site/each site] an additional one-half day to orally present his/her findings and recommendations to the site staff[s]. After completion of the return visit, the final report[s] will be revised as necessary based on comments made during the oral presentation and submitted to the park.

In carrying out this work, the Contractor will perform at a minimum the following tasks:

1. Prior to identifying himself/herself to the staff, tour public spaces in each of the specified facilities as an ordinary visitor and observe conditions and activities affecting protection of the collections and the structures. [If visitors normally have to pay a fee for admission to the site, indicate in this paragraph that fees paid will constitute a cost-reimbursable expense.]

2. Meet with management and staff at each site including [Here specify by title each of the site staff that the contractor must meet. At a minimum, the contractor should meet with the superintendent, the chief ranger, and the park curator. At each site other/Other] staff may be interviewed as deemed appropriate by the local manager or necessary by the Contractor and as may be arranged by the local staff.

Figure G.1. Sample Scope of Work for a Security Survey
3. Evaluate the physical security of each building in both public and non-public areas. Note problems with perimeters, including doors, windows, air intakes, roof hatches, and other penetrations. Evaluate perimeter lighting, locks, hardware, hinges, and other security equipment and devices. Evaluate the ease with which someone could penetrate the perimeter with or without being detected. Observe and evaluate perimeter security during the daytime and after dark. Before conducting surveys after hours, inform the local superintendent or site manager of when and how they will be carried out; that will preclude harm to the Contractor or site staff and ensure cooperation of staff on the night shift.

4. Examine and evaluate the electronic alarm systems, including controls, detectors, exhibit case sensors, panic devices, alarm and signaling devices, remote monitoring equipment, remote alarm transmission media (including line supervision), and other pertinent components. Test the proper functioning of the systems and evaluate their operation and maintenance. Evaluate [contract/proprietary] central station services (monitoring, response, premises security, and maintenance support).

5. Examine security staffing for adequacy. Review staffing levels, position descriptions, performance standards, standard operating procedures, training, and delegations of responsibility for all personnel and staff components directly responsible for museum security. Evaluate protection of all areas by security personnel. Review the scheduling and conduct of security patrols. Evaluate adequacy of protection provided by interpreters during interpretive tours or programs. Evaluate the interpretive operations plan in respect to how well it incorporates security concerns into the responsibilities of interpreters. If guards are used on the night shift, evaluate their effectiveness and response capabilities and the extent to which they may be vulnerable to personal injury, attack, or accident during their rounds.

6. Evaluate security training or security awareness programs provided at the site for both security and non-security personnel.

7. Evaluate policies for and staff compliance with access and parcel controls in use at the site[s], particularly in office and work areas, in exhibit areas, and in collections storage.

8. Evaluate security policies and procedures, including standard operating procedures, delegations of authority, and memoranda of agreement or understanding with local police and emergency agencies.

9. Evaluate key control and retrieval. Evaluate the adequacy of locking systems, key documentation, and key security. Determine whether card access or similar control systems would be appropriate and practical for securing or controlling access to buildings and to high-security areas, such as collections storage.

10. Evaluate internal security programs, particularly procedures to account for objects taken outside of collection storage and exhibit areas, such as in offices and workrooms or in transit.

11. Evaluate security for objects on exhibit and in storage, including case design, security hardware, detection systems, locks, keying, accountability procedures, and other internal control procedures and systems. In particular, evaluate the ease with which objects may be stolen from exhibits [and furnished rooms] without immediate detection of the act. Evaluate the ease with which objects on exhibit [and in furnished rooms] may be vandalized, with or without immediate detection.

Figure G.1. Sample Scope of Work for a Security Survey (continued)
12. [This paragraph is needed only when historic structures are to be surveyed.] All recommendations for improvements to or replacements of systems and hardware will take into account and be sensitive to the historic nature of the structure[s]. As appropriate, alternative recommendations for equipment and/or installation techniques will be made to allow for maximum preservation of historic fabric.

13. Evaluate the timeliness, effectiveness, and accuracy of how the [site/sites] report[s] criminal or other incidents involving collections.

14. Observe and comment on other security problems that may be noted during the survey[s]. Evaluate park policies and documentation for all security procedures not otherwise specified above.

Standards

The following published documents shall be considered the standards against which Contractor shall evaluate security at the site[s]. The first [qty] items are available for loan to Contractor upon request. The remaining items are standard industry publications, which should already be available to Contractor.

[Here list relevant documents, such as: NPS Museum Handbook, Part I; NPS-28 "Cultural Resource Management Guideline"; NPS-44 "Personal Property Management Guideline"; NPS-50 "Loss Control Management Guideline"; NPS Management Policies; Special Directive 80-1 and NPS Checklist for Preservation and Protection of Museum Collections; and any other NPS documents that may be relevant. List the American Society for Industrial Security (ASIS) Suggested Guidelines in Museum Security; and other industry publications.]

Protection of Information

All information and documentation gathered or produced by the Contractor during the course of this work shall be held in strictest confidence and shall be fully protected from access by unauthorized persons. Any documentation furnished by the site[s] and retained by the Contractor during the course of the work or thereafter shall be secured in a locked filing cabinet or safe at a minimum. During the initial visit to the site[s], the Contractor shall indicate to the superintendent[s] the manner in which he/she intends to secure any documentation the site[s] may furnish; the superintendent[s] will have the prerogative to specify when more stringent security must be provided for any particular documentation furnished to the Contractor. Documentation that cannot be secured to the superintendent's[s'] satisfaction still will be furnished to the Contractor, but only for on-site use.

Notes and other information produced by the Contractor, including all versions and copies of his/her report and any drawings that may be produced, shall be secured in a locked filing cabinet or safe, at a minimum. Word processor and other computer files shall be secured in an equivalent manner, such as by retaining files only on diskettes kept in a safe, rather than on a hard drive, and by the use of passwords or encryption. During the initial visit to the site[s], the Contractor shall indicate to the superintendent[s] the manner in which he/she intends to secure computer data generated during the course of the work; the superintendent[s] will have the prerogative of specifying that additional security measures be taken whenever circumstances so dictate.
1. Contractor should discuss his/her findings and recommendations with protection and museum staff at [the/each] site during the initial visit[s], and is encouraged also to discuss recommendations for corrective actions, but is not obliged to do so. Contractor has an ethical obligation to verbally point out serious protection weaknesses as they are encountered, if such weaknesses could, in his/her judgment, result in imminent loss of park resources.

2. Contractor shall prepare and submit a written report of survey [for each site visited]. The report shall present findings and recommendations for each applicable subject listed above in the Scope of Work and shall be organized in a logical, easily comprehended manner. [The/Each] report shall include an executive summary, a discussion of observations and problems (organized according to areas within [the/each] structure or according to each security issue, e.g., training, staffing, and hardware), a list of recommendations and possible alternative solutions for problem areas, a comprehensive prioritized list of recommendations, a list of recommended suppliers of security hardware and systems and cut sheets or other manufacturer’s literature on recommended hardware or system components, and a bibliography of recommended readings on the specific protection problems and solutions presented in the report[s].

3. Submit draft reports to the park according to the schedule below. Reports will be reviewed promptly and returned with comments. Contractor will be expected to incorporate each comment into the report or be prepared to explain why doing so is not appropriate.

4. After approval of the second draft, return to [the/each] park for a follow-up visit. Orally present findings and recommendations to the assembled park staff. Orally respond to questions, comments, and concerns from the staff. [The/Each] presentation[s] should include a walk-through of the surveyed [facility/facilities] as necessary to make findings and recommendations clear. In order to ensure sufficient time for the presentation[s], [it/they] should be scheduled to allow for one-half day [per site].

Time for performance is [number of months]. [The] Initial site visit[s] must be completed within [number of days] from award of contract. The final report must be completed within [number of days] after completion of the initial visit[s]. [The following schedule of completion is suggested. Modify as instructed by your contracting officer.]

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Schedule of Partial Payments

Partial payments will be made upon successful completion of each successive phase of the work, as outlined below:

- Initial site visit[s]  50%
- Submit second draft[s] of report[s] 25%
- Submit final report[s] 25%

Inspection and Acceptance

[Insert Name and Title] shall serve as the Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) on this project. The COTR is empowered to inspect and evaluate all work of this Contract for compliance with the terms of this Scope of Work Statement.

Acceptance of the work of this contract and any changes to the terms of this contract shall be made in writing only by the Contracting Officer.
Purpose of Work

The work consists of conducting a museum fire protection survey of the [facility/facilities] described below. There are two purposes for the survey. The first is to reveal and identify weaknesses in existing protection systems, equipment, procedures, policies, and operations that could result in the loss of such museum resources as collections, collection records, and exhibits, as well as the museum [structure/structures] [itself/they/themselves]. The second purpose is to identify how to correct any weaknesses or deficiencies that may be found. The ultimate goal of performing the survey[s] and of implementing corrective actions is the protection of museum property against all forms of losses due to fire or to fire fighting activities.

Description of Site[s] to be Surveyed

[Here describe the buildings--visitor center, furnished historic structure, storage facility--to be surveyed. Characterize it/its in terms of location, size, functions, construction, nature of contents. Provide whatever information is deemed necessary for the contractor to have in advance. In particular, indicate the nature of exhibits to be surveyed, making clear whether they are conventional exhibits or furnished rooms or both. In most cases, the scope of work (SOW) statement will become part of the request for proposal sent out to prospective contractors; it is important that prospective contractors have sufficient information about the site and facilities to be surveyed to permit them to make responsive proposals. You may wish to attach more detailed information, such as park brochures, to the SOW to avoid having to put a lot of detail in this section.]

Scope of Work

The contractor will survey the structures or facilities described above, identify fire prevention, detection, and suppression weaknesses and deficiencies, and make recommendations for their correction in a separate formal report. [If more than one park is involved, you should request a separate report for each park. Only rarely might you specify a separate report for each structure in the same park.] The contractor will visit and survey operations and conditions at [the site/each site] for [number of days]. In addition, the contractor will return to [the site/each site] an additional one-half day to orally present his/her findings and recommendations to the site staff[s]. After completion of the return visit, the final report[s] will be revised as necessary based on comments made during the oral presentation and submitted to the park.

In carrying out this work, the contractor at a minimum will perform the following tasks:

1. Meet with management and staff at each site including [Here specify by title each of the site staff that the contractor must meet. At a minimum, the contractor should meet with the superintendent, the chief ranger, the chief of maintenance, the structural fire coordinator, and the park curator.] [At each site other/Other] staff may be interviewed as deemed appropriate by the local manager or as necessary by the Contractor and as may be arranged by the local staff.

2. Evaluate fire prevention policies, programs, and procedures in each building in both public and non-public areas. Examine existing policies and the extent to which they are appropriate to the resources being protected and actually are being followed. Examine the effectiveness of programs and procedures in preventing fires from starting.

Figure G.2. Sample Scope of Work for a Fire Protection Survey
3. Examine and evaluate fire detection and alarm systems, including sensors and detectors, manual pull stations, water flow and position indicating alarms, system controls, standby power, alarm and signaling devices, remote monitoring and annunciation equipment, remote alarm transmission media (including line supervision), and other pertinent components. Determine the extent to which systems comply with current National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards for the installation, operation, maintenance, and testing of fire alarm signaling systems (NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm Code). Report on the extent to which system components are listed by Underwriters Laboratories (UL). Test the proper functioning of the systems and evaluate their operation and maintenance. Evaluate [contract/proprietary] central station services (monitoring, response, premises security, and maintenance support).

4. Examine and evaluate the types, sizes, locations, etc. of hand-held fire extinguishers currently in use in the [facility/facilities] being surveyed. Determine whether different types or sizes would be more appropriate and whether existing extinguishers should be relocated or augmented with additional extinguishers. When extinguishers are concealed for aesthetic reasons, determine whether concealment poses the potential for such problems as delayed access or failure to use an otherwise available extinguisher. Evaluate procedures, programs, and schedules for testing fire extinguishers; determine whether proper records are created and maintained when extinguishers are tested.

5. Examine and evaluate the appropriateness, capacity, spacing, temperature rating, and hazard rating of fixed sprinkler systems. Examine and evaluate hose and standpipe systems inside the [facility/facilities] being surveyed. Examine and evaluate the suitability and locations of fire hydrants near the [facility/facilities] being surveyed. Determine whether different types or sizes of automatic and manual suppression systems would be more appropriate and whether additional units are required. Determine if water supplies provide the necessary flow rate and volume. Examine the maintenance and protection of fire department connections and the protection of water supply control valves.

6. Examine the adequacy of current staff in respect to their ability to prevent, detect, respond to, and suppress fires. Review staff size, position descriptions, performance standards, standard operating procedures, training, and delegations of responsibility for all personnel and staff components directly responsible for any aspect of fire protection. Determine the adequacy of fire patrols and of those aspects of facility closing procedures that are intended to prevent after hours fires. Evaluate adequacy of protection provided by interpreters during interpretive tours or programs. Evaluate the interpretive operations plan in respect to how well it incorporates fire prevention or awareness concerns into the responsibilities of interpreters. If guards or patrols are used at night, evaluate their effectiveness and the extent to which they are able to detect fires and provide or summon appropriate response.

7. Evaluate training provided to the [site's/sites'] fire brigade[s] and general staff fire protection awareness programs provided at the [site/sites]. Determine whether the right staff are being trained. Determine the extent to which training requirements of NPS-58, Structural Fire Guideline, Chapter 7, are being met. In particular, examine training in the use of hand-held fire extinguishers and fire hoses.

8. Evaluate fire suppression policies and procedures, including standard operating procedures, delegations of authority, and memoranda of understanding with local fire and emergency agencies for fire inspection or suppression services. Memoranda must comply with NPS-58 and with applicable federal regulations.

9. Evaluate pre-fire planning and the extent to which such planning is in accordance with NPS-58, Chapter 6. In particular, examine whether pre-fire planning takes into account the special needs of museum objects, records, exhibits, storage areas, and work spaces, as noted on pages 1 and 3 of Chapter 6. Also determine whether pre-fire planning strikes a proper balance between protecting museum resources and the structures housing them. [When historic structures are involved, you may wish to strengthen this paragraph by adding the issue of protecting historic structures themselves.]

Figure G.2. Sample Scope of Work for a Fire Protection Survey (continued)
10. Determine quality of the structural fire inspection programs and extent of compliance with NPS-58, Chapter 5.

11. Evaluate the timeliness, effectiveness, and accuracy of post-fire investigation and reporting. Evaluate reporting in terms of requirements set forth in NPS-58, Chapters 11 and 12.

12. [This paragraph is needed only when historic structures are to be surveyed.] All recommendations for improvements to or replacements of systems and hardware will take into account and be sensitive to the historic nature of the structure[s]. As appropriate, alternative recommendations for equipment and/or installation techniques will be made to allow for maximum preservation of historic fabric.

13. Observe and comment on other fire protection problems that may be noted during the survey[s]. Evaluate park policies and documentation for all fire prevention, detection, and suppression procedures not otherwise specified above.

Standards

The following published documents must be considered the standards against which Contractor shall evaluate security at the site[s]. The first [qty] items are available for loan to Contractor upon request. The remaining items are standard industry publications which should already be available to Contractor.

[Here list relevant documents, such as: NPS Museum Handbook, Part I; NPS-28, Cultural Resources Management Guideline; NPS-58, Structural Fire Guideline; NPS Management Policies; Special Directive 80-1 and NPS Checklist for Preservation and Protection of Museum Collections; and any other NPS documents that may be relevant. List National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and Factory Mutual (FM) guidelines; fire protection industry publications.]

Products, Deliverables, and Performance

1. Contractor should discuss his/her findings and recommendations with administrative and resources management staff at [the/each] site during the initial visit[s], and is encouraged to also discuss recommendations for corrective actions. Contractor has an ethical obligation to verbally point out serious protection weaknesses as they are encountered, if such weaknesses could, in his/her judgement, result in imminent loss of park resources.

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3. Submit draft reports to the park according to the schedule below. Reports will be reviewed promptly and returned with comments. Contractor will be expected to incorporate each comment into the report or be prepared to explain why doing so is not appropriate.

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Figure G.2. Sample Scope of Work for a Fire Protection Survey (continued)
To: All Park Personnel

From: Superintendent

Subject: Opening and Closing Procedures for [Structure's Name]

Purpose: To establish responsibilities for security and daily opening and closing procedures of [Structure's Name].

Policy: Park personnel assigned to [Structure's Name] will follow established guidelines to ensure proper security of the site and protection of the resource.

Guidelines:

The intrusion detection system will be activated during all non-business hours. Generally this is from 4:30 PM to 7:30 AM daily. Hours may vary slightly on weekends.

On days when it is not open to the public, the Curator is responsible for arming the intrusion detection system at the end of the workday. On days when the furnished historic structure is open to the public, it is the responsibility of the interpretive staff to arm the system. Generally the furnished historic structure is open on weekends and [days] during the summer.

Each morning, it is the responsibility of the Park Ranger staff to disarm the intrusion detection system. The guards on duty will turn off the systems during the early morning patrol at about [Time].

It is the responsibility of the Curator and custodian to maintain security on days when the house is not open to the public. Exterior doors should remain locked at all times and the house should be secured and alarmed at the end of each workday.

It is the responsibility of the Interpretive staff to secure the structure on weekends and on other days that the furnished historic structure is open to the public. The closing procedures should include inspecting the entire furnished historic structure, not just the areas used by the public.

The evening ranger patrol will include an inspection to ensure that the structure has been properly secured. Before entering, the park ranger will patrol around the exterior of the furnished historic structure shining the flashlight on each of the windows to ensure that they are closed. Only if all appears secure, will the ranger enter the structure alone to complete the inspection.

Closing Procedures:

The following steps are taken by designated interpretive or museum staff. As you walk through the house, note maintenance or safety concerns or questions about museum object security.

1. Ensure that visitors are out of the house. Record tour and visitation statistics when the house has been open to the public.

Figure G.3. Sample Furnished Historic Structure Opening and Closing Procedures
2. Place the moveable "entrance" signs inside the Conservatory when the house has been open to the public.

3. Lock all exterior doors. Exterior doors are located in:
   - Conservatory (2 doors)
   - Front entrance
   - Atrium or Small Conservatory
   - Den
   - Kitchen Pantry Hall
   - Servants' Hallway

4. Close all windows and fasten those that can be locked. Check windows in the Conservatory and on all three floors of the house.

5. Pull down the window shades as you check each window.

6. Put the two tripods with fire detectors in their proper position in the Foyer and the Dining Room. Poles should be extended so the detector heads are as close to the ceiling as possible.

7. Close the following interior doors:
   - Front double doors (dead-bolted top & bottom & chained)
   - Basement electrical room
   - First floor Servants' Hall door to Basement
   - Second floor hall door between Servants' Wing and Staircase
   (Intrusion alarm does not arm properly if they are open.)
   - Basement Furnace Room
   - Third floor door to Attic stairs

8. Close the following interior doors, if possible:
   - All basement room doors except fire control panel room
   - Both doors to China Storage area
   - Servants' Hall door to Front Foyer
   (NOTE: Closing these doors reduces the chances for nuisance alarms.)

9. Leave night lights on in the following areas:
   - Laundry Room, above the sinks
   - Kitchen, above the sink
   - Servants' Hall, above the radiator
   - Dining Room, one light on each of the two sconces
   - Entrance Hall, inner chandelier globe. (NOTE: The switch is in closet.)
   - Second floor Servants' Hall staircase

10. Activate the two intrusion detection system panels in the Laundry Room. Remember the Servants' Wing exit must be closed before the system is armed. Exit the house through the Servants' Wing door.

11. Make a final patrol around the outside of the house to check doors and windows. Do not jiggle doors or windows from the outside. (Doing so might cause an intrusion alarm.)

Figure G.3. Sample Furnished Historic Structure Opening and Closing Procedures (continued)
Opening Procedures:

Intrusion detection systems are disarmed each morning by the park ranger staff. The systems will be off prior to the time that other park staff need to enter the house.

1. Before entering, walk around the outside of the house and check for signs of entry. If anything looks suspicious do not enter. Report the observation to the protection staff immediately.

2. Enter through the Servants’ Wing door. Lock the door behind you.

3. Check the status lamps and alarms on both alarm system panels in the Laundry Room and report any malfunctions.

4. Make a walk-through visual inspection of the entire house, including the basement and upper floors. Make particular note of signs of attempted entry, safety or maintenance needs, and the location of museum objects. Report concerns or problems to the appropriate protection or museum staff.

5. Take down the two portable fire detectors in the Foyer and Dining Room, when the house is open to the public. Place them in the Hall Closet.

6. Prepare the rooms along the tour route by opening shades and turning on the appropriate lights, if the house is to be open to visitors. Make a special note of safety and security concerns in these visitor use areas.

7. Prepare for greeting visitors by placing the entrance signs outside. Establish tour assignments, prepare the visitor statistic sheet and ensure that a supply of park folders is available.

8. In summer, when temperatures are hot, visitors will enter through the front door. When weather is cool, the Conservatory will be opened as a waiting area for visitors. If the Conservatory is to be opened, clean up the room, place literature out on display, and unlock both exit doors from the room.

9. Call the Park’s Visitor Center desk to let them know that the house is ready for visitors and to check for any special tours or activities.

10. Throughout the day, be certain that all doors into the house are locked unless you can observe them. Generally, the only doors that should be unlocked during the day are those in the Conservatory when it is being used as a visitor waiting area.
To: All Park Personnel

From: Superintendent

Subject: Opening and Closing Procedures for [Storage Facility’s Name]

**Purpose:** To establish responsibilities for security, fire prevention and daily opening/closing procedures for the park’s museum collection storage facility.

**Policy:** Park personnel who are assigned responsibility for the park's museum collection are required to follow the established guidelines to ensure the proper security of the site and protection of the resources.

**Guidelines**

**Opening Procedures:**

1. Before entering the facility, check for any unusual circumstances (e.g., signs of illegal entry, vandalism or maintenance problems). If anything looks suspicious **DO NOT ENTER.** Report any problems to the appropriate staff person in law enforcement, maintenance and/or supervisor immediately.
2. Unlock exterior doors. Turn off the intrusion detection system.
3. Turn on museum workspace lights.
4. Unlock collection storage space door (when needed) and turn on lights.
5. Inspect museum workspace and collection storage space for unauthorized entry, fire hazards, or other unusual happenings (such as roof leaks, fire suppression system leaks, pests, and damaged objects).

**Closing Procedures:**

1. Inspect the collection storage space to be sure all museum objects and associated records are returned to their proper locations; dust covers are in place; all storage cabinets are closed and locked, and that all tools, equipment, reference books have been returned to their proper places.
2. Check that all museum storage cabinets that were used during the day are locked. Return all storage cabinet keys to keybox and secure it.
3. Check the workspace and collection storage space to be sure that all staff or any other persons are out of the facility.
4. Turn off lights. Make sure that collection storage space door is locked.
5. Turn off all computer equipment, other electrical equipment, and lights in adjacent office spaces.
7. Turn on the intrusion detection system.
8. Lock exterior doors.

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**Figure G.4. Sample Museum Collections Storage Opening and Closing Procedures**
To: All Park Personnel  
From: Superintendent  
Subject: Museum Collection Access Policy and Procedures

**Purpose:** To establish park policy and procedures for access to the museum collection. It is the policy of the National Park Service, and of [Name of Park], that its natural and cultural resources shall be made available for educational and research purposes, as long as this access doesn’t:

- endanger the item’s preservation and security
- conflict with Federal legislation (such as the Copyright Act, the Freedom of Information Act) or state legislation (such as privacy and public laws)

NPS museum collections possess internal administrative importance, as well as importance to educational, research, and publishing communities both inside and outside the Service. Protecting these valuable resources, while making them available to the widest possible audience, requires the park museum staff to manage access to the museum collection.

**Times of Operation:** Normal hours of access to the park’s museum collection are [Days and Hours].

**General Access Procedures:**

1. Except as otherwise noted, this written procedural statement applies equally to museum objects, archival and manuscript materials, museum collection records, and information about such park resources prepared by the staff in the course of their official duties.

2. Access to objects in the collection, to storage cabinets and exhibit cases, and to keys to locks on storage rooms, storage cabinets, and exhibit cases, will be strictly controlled by the Superintendent or designee. These areas shall be designated as secure areas, and except for emergencies, access shall be limited to authorized park staff. Park staff are discouraged from routinely using museum storage space as work or reference room space.

3. Only those persons authorized in writing by the superintendent (authorized park staff) will be permitted unaccompanied access to secure areas, including museum storage, work, and reference/study room spaces, under normal conditions. All other persons must be accompanied by authorized staff while in a secure area. In an emergency, designated emergency response personnel may have access to secure areas in accordance with the provisions of the park’s Emergency Operations Plan. An authorized person will continuously supervise anyone in a secure area who is not on the list of authorized park staff.

4. Granting of access to a secure area does not automatically include access to museum objects, archival materials, or museum records kept in those areas. Only persons with a legitimate need to use collection items will be granted access to them.

5. Anyone requesting access to secure areas or to museum collections must agree to comply with the provisions of the park’s "Conditions for Access to Museum Collections."

6. These procedures will be reviewed every two years and revised as necessary.

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**Figure G.5. Sample Park Museum Collection Access Policy and Procedures**
Eligibility for Access to Museum Collections:

Access to the collections should be granted by the Superintendent or designee to the following individuals:

1. **Individuals seeking to use collection for research or study.** An individual may request to conduct research on the collection by registering and making an appointment with the park museum staff.

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Figure G.5. Sample Park Museum Collection Access Policy and Procedures (continued)
8. **Other persons or groups of persons may be allowed limited access to the collections, on determination by the Superintendent or designee that such access will be to the mutual benefit of the persons or groups and the park.** Examples of circumstances to which this item of eligibility might apply include: tours for school classes, tours for members of museum organizations or historical societies, tours for families of park employees, orientation for local political/governmental officials, orientation for visiting Park Service employees not on official business, and tours for non-NPS museum personnel, teachers, and prospective researchers who are considering applying for permission to use or view the collection.

*Figure G.5. Sample Park Museum Collection Access Policy and Procedures (continued)*
U.S. Department of the Interior  
National Park Service  

VISITOR LOG  

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Figure G.7. Conditions for Access to Museum Collections
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

[Name of Park]

and

[Name of Fire Company]

[City, State]

Article I
Background and Objectives

WHEREAS, [Name of Fire Company] hereinafter [Department/Company] and the National Park Service (hereinafter Service) and more particularly the [Name of Park], hereby enter into an Agreement to provide mutual aid and assistance for occurrences of structural fires, [As applicable, insert language to identify other needs, such as wildfires, emergency medical services and hazardous materials spills for those occurrences] on or within the boundary of said Park, a unit of the National Park System, United States Department of the Interior, that are within the response area of the [Name of Fire Company]; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 450bb, the Service administers the Park that was established as a unit of the National Park System, United States Department of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1b.(1), the Service may provide for the rendering of emergency rescue, fire fighting and cooperative assistance to nearby fire prevention agencies and for related purposes outside of the National Park System; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1856a, the Service is authorized to enter into reciprocal agreements for mutual aid to furnish fire protection with any fire organization maintaining fire protection facilities in the vicinity of Service property and for other property for which said agency normally provides fire protection; and

WHEREAS, the Service and Company have determined that the Memorandum of Understanding herein described is compatible with the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1856a, both parties do mutually understand and agree as follows:

Figure G.8. Sample Memorandum of Understanding Between a Park and a Fire Company
Article II
Statements of Work

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) herein made is subject to the following terms and conditions:

General

(1) The purpose of this MOU is to provide mutual aid and assistance between [Name of Park] and the [Name of Fire Department/Company] of [Name of city or county and state], should emergency medical services be needed in structural fires [as applicable, include wildfires or hazardous materials spills] that occur on, or threaten or endanger property under the protection of either agency.

(2) The area of Park property covered by this MOU will be that area within the [Name of Fire Department/Company] response area of [Name of city or county and state].

(3) In the execution of this MOU, employees or agents of the company are not considered employees of the park or NPS.

(4) The Service, Park and the [Department/Company] waive all claims against each other for compensation for any loss, damage, personal injury, or death occurring in consequence of activities pursuant to this MOU.

(5) All structural fire suppression personnel will meet, as a minimum, the requirements found in NPS-58, Structural Fire Guidelines.

(6) The Park and [Department/Company] agree to notify the other of available training the areas identified in No. (8) below and participate in joint training exercises when possible.

(7) Park and Company representatives will meet Quarterly (January, April, July, October) to discuss mutual aid operations and to evaluate the MOU for revisions and renewal. Any revisions of this Agreement must be in writing, receive proper approval, and be signed by the parties hereto. Renewals will be subject to regulations existing at the time of renewal and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary to protect the public interest.

(8) The provisions of this MOU are divided into the following sections: Structural Fire; [as applicable, include other sections, such as Wildfire (Forest Fire); Emergency Medical Service/Search and Rescue; and Hazardous Materials.]

Structural Fire

(1) As an aid to implementing this MOU, selected members of the [Department/Company] (including the Fire Chief and the Ambulance Chief) will, at least annually, visit the Park and, accompanied by the Park Superintendent or designated representative, survey park buildings for the purpose of developing a Building Pre-Plan. Special fire fighting procedures necessary to safeguard museum objects and archival and manuscript collections housed within the structure will be identified in the Building Pre-Plan. Current floor plans of Park buildings will be provided to the Fire Chief.
(2) The Company will respond to all reported structural fires in the Park (within the [Department's/Company's] response area) as promptly as possible and with due regard for the safety of all persons. Upon arrival at the scene of the reported structural fire:

(a) Park Ranger not at the scene. The Officer-in-Charge for the [Department/Company] will check the perimeter of the building for signs of fire. If sign of a fire is detected, he/she will assume direction of all fire fighting activities until relieved by a superior officer or until the fire is extinguished and declared out. If no sign of a fire is detected, he/she will wait for arrival of a Park Ranger.

(b) Park Ranger at the scene. If the ranger has already checked the structure for sign of fire and the alarm system, he/she will so advise the Officer-In-Charge of the [Department/Company]. If not, the ranger and the Officer-In-Charge will jointly check the structure for sign of fire. If sign of a fire is detected, the Officer-In-Charge for the Company will assume direction of all firefighting activities until relieved by a superior officer or until the fire is extinguished and declared out. If the structure has been identified in the Building pre-Plan as requiring special precautions necessary to safeguard museum objects and archival and manuscript collections within the structure, the ranger will so notify the Officer-In-Charge. The ranger will notify the officer-in-charge of any hazardous materials in the collection (such as cellulose nitrate film).

(3) Each party to this MOU will furnish such equipment and personnel to aid the other party with a structural fire as can be made without jeopardizing the fire protection of its own area of responsibility.

(4) All requests for Park Aid to assist with a structural fire must originate from the Company's senior fire official at the scene of the fire to the Park Superintendent or designated representative.

[As appropriate, include language on wildfire (forest fire), emergency medical service/search and rescue, and hazardous materials.]

Article III
Term of Memorandum of Understanding

The Memorandum of Understanding hereby made shall terminate one (1) year from the effective date hereof, at noon, [Name of State] time, unless prior thereto it is relinquished, abandoned, or otherwise terminated pursuant to the provisions of this MOU or of any applicable Federal law or regulation. In addition, the MOU will expire at the end of the specified term unless formally reaffirmed or rewritten if necessary. The effective date of this MOU shall be the date of its execution by the Superintendent, [Name of Park].

Unless relinquished, abandoned, or otherwise terminated pursuant to the provisions of the MOU or of any applicable Federal law or regulations, the MOU will be considered for renewal.

Figure G.8. Sample Memorandum of Understanding Between a Park and a Fire Company (continued)
Article IV
Key Officials

This Memorandum of Understanding is subject to the conditions of the Superintendent or representative, and shall comply with the regulations of the Secretary of the Interior and other applicable conditions as outlined herein.

Superintendent
[Name of Park]
[Complete Address]

The President and Fire Chief of [Name of Fire Department/Company] will direct operations according to the conditions agreed to in this MOU.

[Name of President]  [Name of Fire Chief]
[Name of Department/Company]  [Name of Department/Company]
[Complete Address]  [Complete Address]

Article V
Reports

Each party is responsible for its respective timekeeping and other required records and reports.

Article VI
Termination

This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated upon breach of any of the conditions herein or at the discretion of either party. Termination shall be done by providing ninety (90) days written notice to the other.

Article VII
Required Compliance

All activities pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding shall be in compliance with the requirement of Executive Order 11246, as amended; Title VI of the Civil Rights act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252: 42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.); and with all other federal laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination on grounds of race, color, national origin, handicap, religion, or sex in employment and in providing facilities and services to the public.

No member or delegate to Congress, or resident Commissioner, shall be admitted to any share or part of this agreement, or to any benefit that may arise therefrom, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this agreement if made with a corporation for its general benefit.

Figure G.8. Sample Memorandum of Understanding Between a Park and a Fire Company (continued)
This Memorandum of Understanding is subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1913, which provide:

No part of the money appropriated by any enactment of Congress shall, in the absence of express authorization by Congress, be used directly or indirectly to pay for any personal service, advertisement, telegram, telephone, letter, printed or written matter, or other device, intended or designed to influence in any manner a Member of Congress, to favor or oppose, by vote or otherwise, any legislation or appropriation by Congress, whether before or after the introduction of any bill or resolution proposing such legislation or appropriation; but this shall not prevent officers or employees of the United States or of its departments or agencies from communicating to Members of Congress on the requests for legislation or appropriations which they deem necessary for the efficient conduct of the public business.

Whoever, being an officer or employee of the United States or of any department or agency thereof, violates or attempts to violate this section, shall be fined not more than $500 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both; and after notice and hearing by the superior officer vested with the power of removing him, shall be removed from office or employment.

Nothing contained in this Memorandum of Understanding shall be construed as binding the Service to expend in any one fiscal year any sum in excess of appropriations made by Congress for the purposes of this Memorandum of Understanding for that fiscal year, or as involving the Service in any contract or other appropriation for the further expenditure of money in excess of such appropriations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Superintendent of [Name of Park], acting on behalf of the National Park Service, in the exercise of the delegated authority from the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, has caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed this [Date] day of [month], [year].

[Name of Superintendent or Manager]
[Name of Park or Center]

ACCEPTED THIS [Date] DAY OF [Month], [Year].

[Name of Fire Department/Company]

[Name of Fire Chief]
[Name of Fire Department/Company]

Figure G.8. Sample Memorandum of Understanding Between a Park and a Fire Company (continued)
FULL SIZE VISITOR LOG

- This full-size Visitor Log and Conditions of Access to the Museum Collections are for your use.

- Save as a master set

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