

SAGUARO NATIONAL PARK Special Use Permits

Special Events will be permitted at Saguaro National Park in compliance with the following conditions:

1. Event must not interfere with normal visitor activities.
2. The size of the group or event in the Rincon Mountain District is limited to 35 guests. The Tucson Mountain District can accommodate 70 guests.
3. A minimum fee of \$50.00 will be charged for Special Use permit. Any additional costs to the National Park Service for administrative costs, trash pick-up, Ranger monitoring or traffic control may be added to the minimum fee.
4. All vehicles and pedestrians entering the park for the event must pay the appropriate entrance fee. Saguaro Annual Passes and Park Service Passports will be honored for entry.
5. Vehicles are limited to the number of spaces available at each site. Because of traffic congestion, the wedding site should not be occupied for more than one hour.
6. Signs, banners, or ribbons directing guests to the wedding site may not be erected. We recommend you station a person in the Visitor Center parking lot to direct your guests. You may also reproduce the map in the park brochure of the area to include in your invitation guiding guests to the site.
7. Receptions are not permitted in Saguaro National Park.
8. Keep the event as simple as possible and respect the atmosphere of the park. Requests for tables, chairs, small awnings, etc., will be handled on a case-by-case basis.
9. Requests for a Special Use Permit must be completed and returned for review and approval two weeks before the wedding date and will be approved on a case-by-case basis. If the request is approved, it will be subject to the above conditions and you will be notified by phone or in writing. The permittee is ultimately responsible for compliance to the conditions of the permit.

Please be aware that it is your responsibility to select a site for approval. Even when the date and site are approved, the National Park Service cannot guarantee the site will be available, since the area is open to the general public. Please be sure the guests realize that the park is a sanctuary for all living things. Natural features and animals must be left undisturbed. All litter resulting from the event must be removed before leaving. Horn honking, tying cans or crepe paper to vehicles are not permitted. Appropriate safety precautions should be observed with respect to the temperature and any venomous insects or reptiles which may be in the area. Thank you for your cooperation.