

**National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior**

Superintendent's Compendium
Of Designations, Closures, Permit
Requirements and Other Restrictions
Imposed Under Discretionary Authority.

**Sagamore Hill
National Historic
Site**



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A. INTRODUCTION

1. Superintendent's Compendium Described

The Superintendent's Compendium is the summary of park specific rules implemented under 36 Code of Federal Regulations (36 CFR). It serves as public notice, identifies areas closed for public use, provides a list of activities requiring either a special use permit or reservation, and elaborates on public use and resource protection regulations pertaining specifically to the administration of the park. The Superintendent's Compendium does not repeat regulations found in 36 CFR and other United States Code and CFR Titles, which are enforced without further elaboration at the park level.

The regulations contained in 36 CFR, Parts 1-7, are the basic mechanism used by the National Park Service (NPS) to preserve and protect the natural and cultural resources of the park and to protect visitors and property within the park. Parts 1 through 6 are general regulations applicable to all areas of the National Park system, and Part 7 contains special regulations specific to individual parks. Each of these Parts has many sections and subsections articulating specific provisions. Within some of these Part 1-7 sections and subsections, the Superintendent is granted discretionary authority to develop local rules to be responsive to the needs of a specific park resource or activity, park plan, program, and/or special needs of the general public.

As an example, 36 CFR 1.5(a) *Closures and Public Use Limits* provides the Superintendent certain discretion in allowing or disallowing certain activities. The authority granted by the Section, however, requires the Superintendent to comply with the Administrative Procedures Act (6 USC Section 551), which requires public notice on actions with major impact on visitor use patterns, park resources or those that are highly controversial in nature.

Another example is 36 CFR 1.6 *Permits*, which allows the Superintendent to require a permit for certain uses and activities in the park. This Section, however, requires that a list of activities needing a permit (and a fee schedule for the various types of permits) be maintained by the park.

A final example is 36 CFR 2.1(c) (1) *Preservation of Natural, Cultural and Archeological Resources*, which provides the Superintendent the authority to designate certain fruits, nuts, berries or unoccupied seashells which may be gathered by hand for personal use or consumption. This activity can occur, however, only if a written determination shows that the allowed activity does not adversely affect park wildlife, the reproductive potential of a plant

species, or otherwise adversely affect park resources.

This Compendium should be used in conjunction with Title 36 CFR, Parts 1-7, to more fully understand the regulations governing the use and enjoyment of all the areas of the national Park System.

A copy of Title 36, CFR, can be purchased from the U.S. Government Printing Office at:
Superintendent of Documents
P.O. Box 371954
Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954

The CFR is also available on the Internet at:
http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_05/36cfrv1_05.html

2. Laws and Policies Allowing the Superintendent to Develop This Compendium

The National Park Service (NPS) is granted broad statutory authority under 54 United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 100101 et.seq. (Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009, previously Organic Act of 1916, as amended) to "...regulate the use of the National Park System by means and measures that conform to the fundamental purpose of the System units, which purpose is to conserve the scenery, natural and historic objects, and wild life in the System units and to provide for the enjoyment of the scenery, natural and historic objects, and wild life in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." [54 U.S.C. Section 100101(a)].

In 1970, Congress amended the NPS Organic Act to clarify its intentions as to the overall mission of the NPS. Through the General Authorities Act of 1970 (16 U.S.C. Sections 1a1-1a8), Congress brought all areas administered by the NPS into one National Park System and directed the NPS to manage all areas under its administration consistent with the Organic Act of 1916.

In 1978, Congress amended the General Authorities Act of 1970 and reasserted System- wide the high standard of protection defined in the original Organic Act by stating "Congress further reaffirms, declares, and directs that the promotion and regulation of the various areas of the National Park System, as defined by Section 1 of this Title, shall be consistent with and founded in the purpose established by Section 1 of this Title, to the common benefit of all people of the United States."

54 U.S.C. Section 100501 defines the National Park System as "... any area of land and water administered by the Secretary, acting through the Director, for park, monument, historic, parkway, recreational, or other purposes."

In addition to the above statutory authority, the Superintendent is guided by established NPS policy as found in the NPS Management Policies (2006). The Superintendent is also guided by more specific policies promulgated by the Director, National Park Service, in the form of Director's Orders. As stated in the Management Policies, the primary responsibility of the NPS is to protect and preserve our national natural and cultural resources while providing for the enjoyment of these resources by visitor and other users, as long as use does not impair specific park resources or overall visitor experience. The appropriateness of any particular visitor use or recreational experience is resource-based and will vary from park to park; therefore, a use or activity that is appropriate in one park area may not be appropriate in another. The Superintendent is directed to analyze overall park use and determine if any particular use is appropriate. Where conflict arises between use and resource protection, where the Superintendent has a reasonable basis to believe a resource is or would become impaired, than that Superintendent is obliged to place limitations on public use.

3. Consistency of This Compendium with Applicable Federal Law and Requirements

The Superintendent's Compendium is not considered a significant rule requiring review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866. In addition, this Compendium will not have a significant economic effect on a number of small entities nor impose a significant cost on any local, state or tribal government or private organization, and therefore does not fall under the requirements of either the Regulatory Flexibility Act or the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

The actions and requirements described in this Compendium are found to be categorically excluded from further compliance with the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in Department of the Interior (DOI) Guidelines 516 DM 6 and as such, an Environmental Assessment will not be prepared.

4. Development of the Requirements of the Superintendent's Compendium

As outlined above, the NPS has broad authority and responsibility to determine what types of uses and activities are appropriate in any particular National Park System area. The requirements of the Superintendent's Compendium are developed through an analysis and determination process. The decision criteria used during this process are:

- Is there use or activity consistent with the NPS Organic Act and NPS policy?
- Is the use or activity consistent and compatible with the park's enabling legislation, management objectives, and corresponding management plans?
- Will the use or activity damage the park's protected natural and cultural resources and other protected values?
- Will the use or activity disturb or be in conflict with wildlife, vegetation, and environmental protection actions and values?
- Will the use or activity conflict with or be incompatible with traditional park uses and activities?
- Will the use or activity compromise employee or public safety?

5. Applicability of the Compendium

The rules contained in this Compendium apply to all persons entering, using, visiting or otherwise present on Federally owned lands, including submerged lands, and waters administered by the NPS within the legislative boundaries of the park. This includes all waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, including all navigable waters.

6. Enforcement of Compendium Requirements

NPS Law Enforcement Park Rangers enforce the requirements of the United State Code, 36 CFR, and this Superintendent's Compendium.

7. Penalties for Not Adhering to the Compendium Requirements

A person who violates any provision of the regulations found in 36 CFR, Parts 1-7, or provisions of this Compendium, is subject to a fine as provided by law (18 U.S.C. 3571) up to \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months (18 U.S.C. 3559), or both, and shall be adjudged to pay all court costs associated with any court proceedings. You may receive a list of fines associated with any particular provision by contacting the Chief Ranger at the park address found below.

8. Comments on the Compendium

The Compendium is reviewed annually and revised as necessary. The Park welcomes comments about its program and activities at any time.

9. Effective Date of the Superintendent Compendium

The Superintendent's Compendium is effective on the approval date listed on the first page of this document and remains in effect until revised for a period up to one year.

10. Additional Information

Some of the terms used in this Compendium may have specific meaning defined in 36 CFR 1.4 *Definitions*.

11. Availability

Copies of the Compendium are available at:

20 Sagamore Hill Road
Oyster Bay, New York 11771

<http://www.nps.gov/sahi/superintendent-s-compendium.htm>

B. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMPENDIUM

In accordance with regulations and the delegated authority provided in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations ("36 CFR"), Chapter 1, Parts 1-7, authorized by Title 16 United States Code, Section 3, the following provisions apply to all lands and waters administered by the National Park Service, within the boundaries of Sagamore Hill National Historic Site. Unless otherwise stated, these regulatory provisions apply in addition to the requirements contained in 36 CFR, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7.

Written determinations, which explain the reasoning behind the Superintendent's use of discretionary authority, as required by Section 1.5(c), appear in this document identified by italicized print.

I. 36 CFR §1.5 – VISITING HOURS, PUBLIC USE LIMITS, CLOSURES, AND AREA DESIGNATIONS FOR SPECIFIC USE OR ACTIVITIES

(a)(1) The following visiting hours and public use limits are established for all or for the listed portions of the park, and the following closures are established for all or a portion of the park to all public use or to a certain use or activity:

Visiting Hours:

All Park areas, not otherwise closed to public use, will be open to public use according to a schedule of visiting hours, as follows:

The Park's grounds are open from sunrise to sunset every day. The Park and all of its facilities, including vehicle use and use of the grounds, are closed year-round between sunset and sunrise.

The frequency and schedule of guided tours and Visitor Center operating hours may vary seasonally and may be affected by current staffing levels or severe weather. A current tour schedule can be found on the park website at www.nps.gov/sahi/

Guided tours of the Theodore Roosevelt Home are typically offered Friday through Sunday, including on select federal holidays. It is closed on January 1st, Thanksgiving Day and December 25.

The Old Orchard Museum & Visitor Center is typically open from 12 – 4:30PM – four days per week, Thursday through Sunday and select federal holidays. It is closed on January 1st, Thanksgiving Day and December 25th.

Administration offices are open from 8:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday, year-round. Administration offices are CLOSED on federal holidays.

Due to the national significance and public visibility of Sagamore Hill and President Roosevelt, physical security is a priority. After dark when all buildings are locked and grounds are closed, visitation may pose a risk to the security of historic structures, park residents and the safety of the public given the relative darkness, varied terrain, and water. Additionally, Sagamore Hill is located in a residential neighborhood with private properties that immediate abut the park.

Public Use Limits:

All areas of the Park, not otherwise closed to public use, will be open to public use with the following limits that are deemed necessary for safety and security:

Any or all areas may be closed to public use or a special use permit may be cancelled at the discretion of the Superintendent or his/her designee when an emergency or potentially hazardous condition exists.

Leaving property unattended for any period of time is prohibited.

Leaving unknown property unattended in the park area threatens public safety, the environmental and scenic values of the park, the natural and cultural resources of the park, and the orderly

The maximum Park capacity shall not exceed 750 visitors at any one time except at the discretion of the Superintendent or his/her designee.

The park is located on a dead-end road and has limited parking capacity. The designated parking area can only hold approximately 140 vehicles and minimal overflow parking is only available on an infrequent basis for special events. . Based on the size of the site, the limited parking capacity, and the other location factors, total visitor capacity of 750 at any one time is in the best interests of public safety. Parking lots may be temporarily closed in the interest of public safety when near or at capacity.

The Roosevelt Home is available by guided tour only. Guided tours, given throughout the day, are typically limited to a maximum of eleven persons.

Public spaces in the historic home are limited due to narrow hallways and stairways which contain original historic fabric and furnishings. Visitor numbers are limited to preserve and protect the structure and its contents and to ensure that visitors have a safe and informative experience. Individual or large group tours should make a reservation through recreation.gov.

All school groups consisting of fifteen or more students who are under the age of eighteen shall be accompanied by a minimum of one chaperon for every 10 students, during the group visit. Chaperones must be a minimum of eighteen years of age. Students found without their chaperon will be reconnected with their respective group.

Chaperones in a 1:10 ratio are required to be with students to ensure that park rules and regulations are followed and that all students have a safe and educational visit to the site.

Disorderly persons or groups will be asked to exit the Park and asked not to return to the Park on the day they are removed.

One of the Park's primary missions is to provide a safe space to be used and enjoyed by the American people. Disorderly persons or groups who infringe on the use and enjoyment of other Park visitors or threaten the safety of themselves or other visitors will be asked to exit the Park. Additionally, disorderly activities that are incompatible with the operation of a museum are not permitted.

The Park's primary missions is to preserve and protect this nationally-significant federal site including the cultural landscape, natural resources, desired visitor experience, viewshed and soundscape, and museum collections for current and future generations to experience and enjoy. Activities that negatively impact this primary mission are not permitted and accordingly, the following activities are prohibited:

Climbing over, under or around railings, gates, doors, stanchions and lines, barricades or other physical barriers used to control public access is prohibited. It is prohibited to sit, stand upon or climb any wall, fence, refuse receptacle, tree or exhibit.

Marking trees, benches or structures by inscribing with a sharp instrument or by drawing with ink or paint is prohibited.

Touching the furnishings or objects in the Theodore Roosevelt Home is prohibited.

It is prohibited to consume food or drink in public areas inside of all buildings in the Park.

Picnicking is prohibited within 100 feet of the Theodore Roosevelt Home and throughout the Roosevelt Beach, see section 2.11 for details.

Coolers, umbrellas and/or shelters, children's beach toys, sunbathing and any other activity typical of a recreational beach is prohibited at the Roosevelt Beach.

The Park's natural area, nature trail, marsh and beach are part of a significant cultural and natural landscape which shares a boundary with the Oyster Bay National Wildlife Refuge, administered by the US Fish and Wildlife Service. The Roosevelt Beach area is for passive recreation only, including wildlife viewing; enjoyment of the natural scenery; and connection to nature. Any activity that negatively impacts this experience is prohibited.

Visitors are prohibited from entering the Roosevelt home with bags or packages exceeding 11" x 15". Museum security professionals recommend that parcels larger than 11"x15" be prohibited from museums as a standard security practice.

All motor vehicles that are parked for more than 5 minutes must have the engine shut down. The above prohibition does not apply to law enforcement patrol operations, fire or emergency search and rescue missions, training exercises, and vehicles conducting park operations and business.

The purpose of this restriction is to reduce public exposure to diesel, exhaust particulate matter and other toxic air contaminants by limiting the idling of buses, trucks and other motor vehicles. Additionally, this restriction will also limit the noise impact on visitors enjoying the natural and historical setting within the park.

Closures:

Non-Public Areas

The following areas of the Park shall be, for safety and security purposes, closed to all public use:

- Staff residential areas
- Maintenance area
- Staff office areas of Old Orchard Museum and the Roosevelt Home

Access to any of the above areas is permitted only with the permission of the superintendent or his/her designee. Government vehicles may park in all areas otherwise designated no parking. Also, government employees, in the performance of their official duties, may park private vehicles temporarily in those areas to facilitate Park operations.

Determination:

These public closures and exceptions are in effect to maintain the privacy and security of employees to work and/or live in the park.

Remote-Controlled Devices

- Launching, landing, or operating an uncrewed or remotely piloted aircraft from or on lands and waters administered by the National Park Service within the boundaries of Sagamore Hill NHS is prohibited except as approved in writing by the superintendent.

Definition:

The term “uncrewed or remotely piloted 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.

Determination:

This restriction is necessary to prevent unacceptable impacts to park resources and values from the use of uncrewed aircraft. Potential impacts include harming visitors, interfering with rescue operations, causing excessive noise, impacting viewsheds, and disturbing wildlife. This restriction is required by NPS Reference Manual #60: Aviation Management, Chapter 12 – Uncrewed Aircraft Systems.

Picnicking

- Simple small-scale picnicking is permitted in the designated picnic area, during park-sponsored and special events, and on park grounds so long as it is not within 100 feet of the Theodore Roosevelt Home and 300 feet park residences, and on Roosevelt Beach.
- Shelters, tarps, and other large-sized picnicking equipment are prohibited.

Determination:

This closure is in effect to maintain the desired cultural landscape condition as close as practical to the historical period of significance and to provide visitors with a quality interpretive experience to better understand the national significance of the site.

(a)(2) The following areas have been designated for a specific use or activity, under the conditions and/or restrictions as noted:

The Following Restrictions and/or Conditions are in Effect for the Specific Uses or Activities:

E-Bikes:

- The term “e-bike” means a two- or three-wheeled cycle with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of less than 750 watts (1 h.p.).

E-bikes are allowed within Sagamore Hill National Historic Site where traditional bicycles are allowed. E-bikes are prohibited where traditional bicycles are prohibited. Except where use of motor vehicles by the public is allowed, using the electric motor to move an e-bike without pedaling is prohibited.

A person operating an e-bike is subject to the following sections of 36 CFR part 4 that apply to the use of traditional bicycles: sections 4.12, 4.13, 4.20, 4.21, 4.22, 4.23, and 4.30(h)(2)-(5).

Except as specified in this Compendium, the use of an e-bike within Sagamore Hill National Historic Site is governed by State law, which is adopted and made a part of this Compendium. Any violation of State law adopted by this paragraph is prohibited.

Passenger Carrying Busses:

- Engines must be shut down when not underway.

The idling of bus engines adds unnecessary exhaust fumes to the air and diminishes the enjoyment by visitors of the peace and tranquility of the park. Due to the nature of the service provided by the shuttle busses, they are excluded from the requirement.

Hiking and Pedestrian Use:

- Hiking and pedestrian use is restricted to the park’s trails and walkway system. Pedestrians are not limited to specific routes on the manicured lawn areas around the Roosevelt home and Old Orchard home as well as existing trails or mown paths along fence lines.
- Leaving a trail or walkway to shortcut between portions of the same trail or walkway is prohibited.
- Hikers must remain on the designated trail within the Nature Trail area of the site and on the Eel Creek Bridge. Hikers must stay off of the all vegetated areas adjacent to the beach area and at the mouth to the entrance of Eel Creek.

Restricting hikers and pedestrians to the park’s trails and walkways helps protect the fragile habitat, protect vital beach dunes and preserve the natural resources of the park.

Filming, Still Photography, and Audio Recording

Filming, still photography, and audio recording activity may require a permit, consistent with 54 U.S.C. 100905.

- Filming, still photography, and audio recording activity that occurs in closed areas, requires exclusive use of a site or area, or involves a set or staging equipment other than

handheld equipment (such as a tripod, monopod, and handheld lighting equipment) requires a permit, unless the activity is affiliated with an activity or event that has been allowed under a written authorization, such as a special use permit.

- Filming, still photography, and audio recording that involves more than eight individuals requires a permit, unless the NPS has specifically notified an individual or group that a permit is not required, or if the activity is affiliated with an activity or event that has been allowed under a written authorization, such as a special use permit.
- If a permit is required for the reasons stated above, or if the NPS otherwise determines and then notifies an individual or group that a permit is required for a filming, still photography, or audio recording activity, then engaging in that activity without a permit is prohibited. Violating a term or condition of a permit issued by the NPS for a filming, still photography, or audio recording activity is prohibited, and may result in the suspension or revocation of the permit, in addition to any penalties that may apply under 36 CFR 1.3.

Federal law at 54 U.S.C. 100905 states that permits and fees are not required for filming, still photography, or audio recording in park areas if certain requirements are met. These requirements address various topics, including, but not limited to, group size, location, equipment, potential impacts to resources and visitors, and the likelihood that the NPS will incur related administrative costs. If any of these requirements are not met, the law allows the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the NPS, to require a permit for the subject activity. Permit requirements are imposed by the superintendent under discretionary authority provided by 36 CFR 1.5(a)(2), which allows the superintendent to impose conditions or restrictions on a use or activity, consistent with applicable legislation, to implement management responsibilities. The general regulations for permits in 36 CFR 1.6 do not apply to permits issued for filming, still photography, and audio recording, which instead are governed by the statutory provisions in 54 U.S.C. 100905. The imposition of permit requirements, on a case-by-case basis, for filming, still photography, or audio recording does not require rulemaking under 36 CFR 1.5(b). Requiring a permit with reasonable terms and conditions in accordance with statutory requirements at 54 U.S.C. 100905 is not highly controversial, will not result in a significant alteration in the public use pattern of the System unit, will not adversely affect the System unit's natural, aesthetic, scenic or cultural values, or require a long-term or significant modification in the resource management objectives of the System unit, because the permit requirement is limited in time and scope to the specific activities authorized by the permit, which contain terms and conditions that protect the values, resources, and visitors of the System unit, and implements federal law.

Sports, Snow Sports:

- Sports, recreational play with equipment, winter activities

The playing of baseball, football, soccer, Frisbee, hackisac, catch or similar recreational activities are prohibited, except if authorized by the Park superintendent or his/her designee. Downhill skiing, ice skating, sledding, inner tubing, and tobogganing are prohibited throughout the Park.

Maintenance of the manicured cultural landscape as well as nature trails are crucial for interpreting and fulfilling the Park mission. Playing organized sports is incompatible with preservation maintenance as well as the safety of visitors/pedestrians. These activities are prohibited to ensure visitor safety and to protect the natural and cultural resources of the Park.

Other Vehicular use in the Park:

The use of Segway personal transporters and similar devices is permitted on all paved surfaces at speeds not exceeding a walking pace. Such mechanized transportation devices are not

permitted inside buildings. Segway personal transportation devices are not designed, approved or marketed as motorized wheelchairs, and are not considered such.

The use of off-road motor vehicles is prohibited in the Park except when designated by the park Superintendent and to facilitate park operations.

Public parking for the purpose of visiting Park facilities or using Park resources or for individuals conducting business with the Park is permitted in the Visitor Center parking lot only.

Employees, agents and contractors of the Park may park private vehicles in the parking lot located adjacent to the Old Orchard Museum, except as provided in 36 CFR 1.5 (a) (1) Park Area Closures above.

CTV Policy Statement

In accordance with National Park Service Law Enforcement Reference Manual 9 (RM-9), notice is hereby given that Sagamore Hill National Historic Site uses Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) security camera monitoring.

The park's use of Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) for law enforcement and security purposes will only be to visually monitor public park areas and public activities where no constitutionally protected reasonable expectation of privacy exists. Such CCTV use – which will have adequate privacy and First Amendment safeguards – will be to help ensure public safety and security; facilitate the detection, investigation, prevention, and deterrence of terrorist attack and crime; help ensure the safety of citizens and officers; help assist in the proper allocation and deployment of law enforcement and public safety resources; and help facilitate the protection of the innocent and the apprehension and prosecution of criminals. (RM-9, 26.1)

This policy does not restrict the official use of CCTV in government administrative areas, including administrative buildings, jail holding facilities (RM-9, 26.3.7), revenue collection sites, etc., where the government may record/monitor its facilities. For example, the government may perform unrestricted video/audio recording at revenue collection points (entrance stations, visitor center counters, etc.). This policy does not restrict the use of an Audio/Visual Recording Device (AVRD) in patrol vehicles or officer-worn recording devices used by commissioned rangers. (RM-9, 26.1).

Operation of CCTV cameras, maintenance of recorded images and use of recorded images will be in accordance with NPS and Department policy and applicable laws and regulations. (RM-9, 26.1-26.4) No person will be targeted or monitored merely because of race, religion, gender, sex, disability, national origin, or political affiliation or views. (RM-9, 26.4.2)

Nothing in this policy statement is intended to create any rights, privileges, or benefits not otherwise recognized by law.

(a)(3) The following restrictions, limits, closures, designations, conditions, or visiting hour restrictions imposed under §§(a)(1) or (2) have been terminated:

None

II. 36 CFR §1.6 – ACTIVITIES THAT REQUIRE A PERMIT

Activities requiring a permit are listed above under Public Use Limits and throughout this document under the specific 36 CFR Section that authorizes or requires the issuance of a permit.

A special park use permit can only be granted if the activity has been judged by the Superintendent not to cause any derogation of the values and purpose for which the park was established, unless directly and specifically authorized by Federal law. Each request to engage in a special park use or to renew authorization of an existing use will be reviewed and evaluated by the Superintendent according to the terms of applicable legislation, regulations, guidelines and management planning documents, using criteria and procedures outlined in the Special Park Use Guidelines (DO/RM 53).

To the extent authorized by applicable legislation, regulations, and policies, the National Park Service will establish and collect appropriate permit fees for special park uses and will seek reimbursement from those issued permits for NPS costs incurred in administering the permit and monitoring the activities it authorizes.

The Superintendent will act upon a permit request within 14 days of receiving a complete permit application. Accordingly, permit applications must be received at least 14 days before the anticipated activity. Permit applications must be accompanied by a non-refundable application fee at the time of submission, except for First Amendment demonstration permit applications. Additional use and monitoring fees may be charged in accordance with established policy and procedures.

Permit requests should be sent to:

Sagamore Hill National Historic Site
Attn. Special Park Uses Coordinator
20 Sagamore Hill Road
Oyster Bay, NY 11771
e-mail: sahi_interpretation@nps.gov
Phone: 516-922-4271
Fax: 516-922-4792

(f) The following is a compilation of those activities for which a permit from the superintendent is required:

- §1.5(a)(2) Some filming, still photography, and audio recording (depends upon the facts and circumstances; contact the park for more information). 36 CFR 1.5(a)(2) and 54 U.S.C. 100905.
- §1.5(d) To implement a public use limit, the superintendent may establish a permit, registration, or reservation system. Permits shall be issued in accordance with the criteria and procedures of 36 CFR §1.6.
- §2.4(d) Carry or possess a weapon, trap, or net
- §2.5(a) Specimen collection (Take plant, fish, wildlife, rocks or minerals)
- §2.10(a) The following camping activities:
 - Small group camps related to project work on site
- §2.12 Audio Disturbances:
 - (a)(2) Operating a chain saw in developed areas
 - (a)(3) Operation of any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine in non-developed areas
 - (a)(4) Operation of a public address system in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued pursuant to §2.50 or §2.51

- §2.17 Aircraft & Air Delivery:
 - (a)(3) Delivery or retrieval of a person or object by parachute, helicopter or other airborne means
 - (c)(1) Removal of a downed aircraft
- §2.22 Property:
 - (a)(2) Unattended property
- §2.37 Soliciting or demanding gifts, money goods or services (Pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit issued under §2.50, §2.51 or §2.52)
- §2.38 Explosives:
 - (a) Use, possess, store, transport explosives, blasting agents
 - (b) Use or possess fireworks
- §2.50(a) Conduct a sports event, pageant, regatta, public spectator attraction, entertainment, ceremony, and similar events
- §2.51(a) Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, parades and other public expressions of views
- §2.52(c) Sale or distribution of printer matter that is not solely commercial advertising
- §2.60(b) Livestock use
- §2.61(a) Residing on federal lands
- §2.62 Memorialization:
 - (b) Scattering ashes from human cremation
- §4.11(a) Exceeding of established vehicle load, weight and size limits
- §5.1 Advertisements - (Display, posting or distribution.)
- §5.3 Engaging in or soliciting any business (Requires a permit, contract or other written agreement with the United States, or must be pursuant to special regulations).
- §5.6(c) Use of commercial vehicles on park area roads (The superintendent shall issue a permit to access private lands within or adjacent to the park when access is otherwise not available)
- §5.7 Construction of buildings, facilities, trails, roads, boat docks, path, structure, etc.
- §6.9(a) Operation of a solid waste disposal site

III. GENERAL REGULATIONS

36 CFR §2.1 – PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

(a)

(1) Possessing, destroying, injuring, defacing, removing, digging, or disturbing from its natural state:

- (i) Living or dead wildlife or fish, or the parts or products thereof, such as antlers or nests.
- (ii) Plants or the parts or products thereof.
- (iii) Nonfossilized and fossilized paleontological specimens, cultural or archeological resources, or the parts thereof.
- (iv) A mineral resource or cave formation or the parts thereof.

(2) Introducing wildlife, fish or plants, including their reproductive bodies, into a park area ecosystem.

(4) Using or possessing wood gathered from within the park area is prohibited.

Collection of any wood anywhere in the park is prohibited.

(5) Walking on, climbing, entering, ascending, descending, or traversing an archeological or cultural resource, monument, or statute is prohibited.

All visitor access within the Theodore Roosevelt Home, the Old Orchard Museum and the Visitor Center are restricted to public walkways, hallways, stairways, landings and observation areas.

(b) Hiking or pedestrian traffic is restricted to the trail(s) or walkway(s) listed in 36 CFR §1.5 of this document.

Pedestrians are not limited to specific routes on the cultural landscape (manicured lawn areas around the Roosevelt home and Old Orchard home, existing trails along fence lines). However, hikers must remain on the designated trail and on the Eel Creek Bridge in the Nature Trail area of the site. Hikers must also stay off of all vegetated areas adjacent to the beach area and the mouth to the entrance of Eel Creek

(6) Possessing, destroying, injuring, defacing, removing, digging, or disturbing a structure or its furnishing or fixtures, or other cultural or archeological resources.

(7) Possessing or using a mineral or metal detector, magnetometer, side scan sonar, other metal detecting device, or subbottom profiler.

Under, §2.1(a) collecting natural materials from the park is generally prohibited. However, pursuant to §2.1(c), the following fruits, nuts, berries or unoccupied seashells may be gathered by hand for personal use or consumption, in accordance with the noted size, quantity, collection sites and/or possession and consumption restrictions:

- The collection of berries, nuts, mushrooms, seashells or other such plants and animals is prohibited.
- Pine cones, leaves, apples and pears may be gathered by hand (using no equipment or tools) for personal use in amounts not to exceed two pounds, per person per day.

36 CFR §2.2 - WILDLIFE PROTECTION

(d) The transporting of lawfully taken wildlife through the park is permitted under the following conditions and procedures:

- It is prohibited to transport any lawfully or unlawfully taken wildlife through the Park.

(e) The following areas are closed to the viewing of wildlife with the use of an artificial light:

- Viewing of wildlife with an artificial light is prohibited in all areas of the Park.

36 CFR §2.3 – FISHING

(a) The following State fishing laws and/or regulations, as noted, do not apply in the listed areas:

- New York State fishing laws are not applicable in any area of the Park. All forms of fishing are prohibited.

(d)(2) Possession or use of live or dead minnows or other bait fish, amphibian, non-preserved fish eggs or roe is permitted in the following fresh water areas:

- The possession of the aforementioned bait is prohibited in all areas of the Park.

(d)(4) In accordance with federal statutory law, commercial fishing is authorized in the following areas, under the conditions noted:

- Commercial fishing is prohibited in all areas of the Park.

(d)(8) Fishing from motor bridges, from within 200 feet of a public raft or float designated for water sports, or within the limits of locations designated as swimming beaches, surfing areas, or public boat docks is prohibited.

(e) Fishing in salt waters with net, spear or weapon shall be in accordance with State law

- All forms of fishing are prohibited.

36 CFR §2.4 – WEAPONS, TRAPS, AND NETS

(h) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Chapter, a person may possess, carry, and transport concealed, loaded, and operable firearms within a national park area in accordance with the laws of the state in which the national park area, or that portion thereof, is located, except as otherwise prohibited by applicable Federal law.

- This authority does not extend to Federal facilities within the park (18 USC § 930(a)).

Park regulation cannot be less restrictive than United States Code.

- Traps and nets are not permitted in the park.

36 CFR §2.5 – RESEARCH SPECIMENS

(a) Taking plants, fish, wildlife, rocks or minerals is prohibited except in accordance with other regulations of Chapter I of 36 CFR or pursuant to the terms and conditions of a required specimen collection permit.

36 CFR §2.10 – CAMPING and FOOD STORAGE

(a) Camping is allowed in the following designated sites or areas and is subject to the following established conditions:

- Camping in any area of the Park is prohibited.

(d) The storage of food is prohibited.

36 CFR §2.11 – PICNICKING

The superintendent may establish conditions for picnicking in areas where picnicking is allowed. Picnicking in violation of established conditions is prohibited.

- Simple small-scale picnicking is permitted in the designated picnic area, during park-sponsored and special events, and on park grounds so long as it is not within 100 feet of the Theodore Roosevelt Home and 300 yards from park residences, and on Roosevelt Beach.
- It is prohibited to leave picnicking items unattended at any time. The designated picnic area is a shared space area and is not suitable for extended duration picnicking or larger than family-sized gatherings except when approved by superintendent.
- Visitors must properly dispose of picnicking rubbish in park trash or recycling receptacles once the activity is over.
- Shelters, tarps, and other large-sized picnicking equipment are prohibited.

Picnic areas are designed for temporary occupancy. Shelters and large-sized picnicking equipment can detract from the scenic and historic nature of the area and detract from other visitors' experiences.

36 CFR §2.12 – AUDIO DISTURBANCES

(a)(2) Operating a power saw in developed areas is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit.

(a)(3) Operating any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine in nondeveloped areas is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit.

(a)(4) Operating a public address system is prohibited, except in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued pursuant to §2.50 or §2.51.

36 CFR 2.13 – FIRES

(a)(1) The lighting or maintaining of fires is generally prohibited, except as provided for in the following designated areas and/or receptacles, and under the conditions noted:

No areas in the Park are designated for lighting or maintaining fires, except as authorized via permit by the superintendent or his/her designee.

If a fire is authorized via permit it must be placed in an approved receptacle and/or ring and may be ignited and maintained only by using fuel sources designed and commonly used for warmth or the preparation of food, such as charcoal briquettes or natural firewood. Lighting or maintaining a fire with other materials including, but not limited to, flammable liquids, garbage, fireworks, plastics, aerosol canisters, batteries, or other manufactured or synthetic materials, is prohibited.

This action is necessary for the maintenance of public health and safety, protection of environmental or scenic values, protection of natural or cultural resources, and the implementation of management responsibilities. Materials other than approved combustibles – especially fire accelerants and substances prone to wind transport or explosion – creates serious risks when used to light or maintain fires. These combustibles can ignite or spread wildfires that directly threaten people and

valuable resources and assets. The burning of manufactured or synthetic materials can contribute to air pollution, contaminate soil and water, and be toxic to humans and the environment. Less restrictive measures, such as an education campaign informing visitors of the risks of using certain materials to light or maintain a fire, would not be commensurate with the substantial risks associated with those activities and could lead to adverse outcomes that might be prevented by establishing an enforceable condition.

(a)(2) The following restrictions are in effect for the use of stoves or lanterns:

The use of stoves or lanterns is prohibited except as permitted by the superintendent or his/her designee.

(b) Fires must be extinguished according to the following conditions:

Any permitted fire must be drowned with water and cool to the touch.

36 CFR §2.14 – SANITATION and REFUSE

(a)(2) The use of government refuse receptacles or facilities for dumping household, commercial or industrial refuse, brought as such from private or municipal property is allowed under the following conditions:

- *No such dumping is allowed.*

(a)(5) Bathing or washing food, clothing, dishes, or other property at public water outlets, fixtures, or pools is prohibited.

(a)(7) Disposing of fish remains on land or in waters within the park is prohibited.

(a)(8) In developed areas, the disposal of human body waste is prohibited.

(a)(9) In nondeveloped areas, the disposal of human body waste is prohibited.

(b) Conditions for the disposal, containerization, or carryout of human body waste have been established as follows:

- Public restroom facilities are available during normal business hours at the park visitor center and the Old Orchard museum. Soiled diapers may be disposed of within park trash receptacles.

36 CFR §2.15 – PETS

(a)(1) Possessing pets in public buildings, public transportation vehicles, swimming beaches, and the following structures and/or areas is prohibited:

- All structures (except park residence as noted in (a)(5)(e) below in this section) are closed to pets. On nature trails, salt marsh and beach, pets must stay on marked trails and must stay out of the water. Service animals providing a service to a person with a disability are permitted in all buildings. Animals used by authorized Federal, State and local law enforcement officers in the performance of their official duties are permitted.

One of the Park's primary missions is to preserve and protect the park and its museum collections for future generations to enjoy and experience. Pets in historic structures adversely impact the structures, furnishings and museum collections. Likewise, pets in the sensitive marsh and beach habitats have negative impacts on sensitive plants and animals located in these areas both on land and in the waterways.

(2) Failing to crate, cage, restrain on a leash which shall not exceed six feet in length, or otherwise physically confine a pet at all times.

(a)(3) Leaving a pet unattended and tied to an object is prohibited, except in the following areas and/or under the following conditions:

- Pets must be under the control of its owner at all times.

(4) Allowing a pet to make noise that is unreasonable considering location, time of day or night, impact on park users, and other relevant factors, or that frightens wildlife by barking, howling, or making other noise.

(a)(5) Pet excrement must be disposed of in accordance with the following conditions:

- Pet excrement must be collected by the pet's owner and properly disposed of in trash receptacles provided or pack out and dispose of outside of Park boundaries..

(e) Pets may be kept by park residents under the following conditions:

- All Park residents may keep pets in accordance with the Park Housing Management Policy.

36 CFR §2.16 – HORSES and PACK ANIMALS

(a) The use of animals other than those designated as “pack animals” for purposes of transporting equipment is prohibited. The following animals are designated as pack animals for purposes of transporting equipment:

- Horses, burros, mules or other hoofed animals used to transport people or equipment.

(b) The use of horses or pack animals is prohibited outside of the following trails, routes or areas designated for their use:

- The use of horses or pack animals is prohibited in the Park, except by authorized Federal, State and local law enforcement officers in the performance of their official duties or for Park-sponsored interpretive programs and special events..

(d) Free-trailing or loose-herding of horses or pack animals on trails is prohibited, except as designated below:

- Free-trailing or loose-herding is prohibited in all areas of the Park.

36 CFR §2.17 – AIRCRAFT and AIR DELIVERY

(a)(1) Operating or using aircraft on lands or waters is prohibited.

(a)(3) Delivering or retrieving a person or object by parachute, helicopter, or other airborne means is prohibited, except in emergencies involving public safety or serious property loss or pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit.

(c)(1) The removal of a downed aircraft, components, or parts thereof is subject to procedures established by the Superintendent.

Removal of aircraft or parts thereof will be coordinated with the NTSB, NPS law enforcement and local police.

36 CFR §2.18 – SNOWMOBILES

(c) The use of snowmobiles is prohibited.

36 CFR §2.19 – WINTER ACTIVITIES

(a) Skiing, snowshoeing, ice skating, sledding, innertubing, tobogganing, and similar winter sports are prohibited on park roads and in parking areas open to motor vehicle traffic.

- Snowshoeing and cross-country skiing are permitted in all park areas
- Downhill skiing, ice skating, sledding, inner tubing, and tobogganing are prohibited throughout the park (see §1.5 of this document).

(b) The towing of persons on skis, sled or other similar device by motor vehicle or snowmobile is allowed in the following areas and/or routes:

- The towing of persons on skis, sleds or other sliding devices is prohibited.

36 CFR §2.20 – SKATING, SKATEBOARDS and SIMILAR DEVICES

Using roller skates, skateboards, roller skis, coasting vehicles, or similar devices are allowed only in the following areas:

- Use by NPS residents in limited circumstances.
- *Roller skates, skateboards, roller skis, coasting vehicles, and other such devices may create hazardous conditions when used on the same roadways as vehicles or on walkways traveled by pedestrians. They additionally cause damage to natural resources when used off pavement. Use is permitted by park residents in order for employees and their families to engage in limited recreational activities as long as such use does not pose a threat to park resources, impose a risk, or create a disruption to park visitors.*

36 CFR §2.21 – SMOKING

(a) The following portions of the park, or all or portions of buildings, structures or facilities are closed to smoking as noted:

- Smoking is prohibited inside all structures, on the porch of the Roosevelt Home and within 25' of all structures. Smoking is also prohibited in the interior of all U.S. government vehicles or vessels owned by the Park.

Smoking is prohibited to ensure a healthy workplace for employees and visitors. Further, smoke and gasses from cigarettes, e-cigarettes and vapor pipes, cigars, pipes and all such devices

adversely affect museum exhibits and artifacts and pose an increased risk of fire. Fire safe cigarette urns are provided for visitor and staff use at the Visitor Center Old Orchard Museum and the Roosevelt Home exterior.

36 CFR §2.22 – PROPERTY

(a)(2) Leaving property unattended for longer than 24 hours is prohibited, except in the following locations or under the following conditions:

Property may not be left unattended anywhere, anytime, other than in vehicles parked in designated parking areas during designated park operating hours, unless authorized by permit. Unattended property will be treated as suspicious and removed when found.

Vehicles left unattended outside of normal operating hours, unless authorized by permit, may be towed and impounded at the owner's expense.

- The superintendent may allow geocaching. A geocache will consist of a small weatherproof container large enough to hold only geocache related items accessible to the related themed activity.

36 CFR §2.23 – RECREATION FEES

(b) Recreation fees, and/or a permit, in accordance with 36 CFR part 71, are established for the following entrance fee areas, and/or for the use of the following specialized sites, facilities, equipment or services, or for participation in the following group activity, recreation events or specialized recreation uses:

Daily Site Use Fee Areas:

Visitor use of the Theodore Roosevelt Home is limited to a guided tour. Inclusion on a guided tour typically requires the payment of a fee and details are available at:

<https://www.nps.gov/sahi/planyourvisit/fees.htm>

Fee free fee waiver days may be implemented for special public events when access to the historic House is limited to first floor tours and are authorized by the site superintendent or his/her designee.

36 CFR §2.35 –ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES and CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

(a)(3)(i) The following public use areas, portions of public use areas, and/or public facilities within the park are closed to consumption of alcoholic beverages, and/or to the possession of a bottle, can or other receptacle containing an alcoholic beverage that is open, or has been opened, or whose seal has been broken or the contents of which have been partially removed:

- All public use areas within the Park are closed to the consumption or possession of an alcoholic beverage except for the immediate housing areas, by tenants, and in other areas where there is no special use permit or Park-sponsored event in effect authorizing this use.
- The Superintendent may impose further restrictions or conditions as required to assure public safety and guard against immoderate or inappropriate consumption as well as ensure there are no disruptions to desired visitor and resource conditions.

36 CFR §2.37 – NONCOMMERCIAL SOLICITING

Soliciting or demanding gifts, money, goods or services is prohibited except pursuant to the terms and conditions or a permit that has been issued under §2.50, §2.51, or §2.52.

36 CFR §2.38 – EXPLOSIVES

(a) Using, possessing, storing, or transporting explosives, blasting agents or explosive materials is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit.

(b) Fireworks and firecrackers may be possessed and/or used in the following areas, under the conditions noted:

- No terms or conditions are established nor public areas designated for the use or possession of fireworks and firecrackers.
- Park residents may light sparklers on the Fourth of July, only in the government housing area, and only on cement sidewalks or pavement.

36 CFR §2.50 – SPECIAL EVENTS

(a) Sports events, pageants, regattas, public spectator attractions, entertainments, ceremonies, and similar events are allowed, provided there is a meaningful association between the park area and the events, and the observance contributes to visitor understanding of the significance of the park area, and a permit therefore has been issued by the superintendent.

36 CFR §2.51 -- DEMONSTRATIONS

(b) Demonstrations of more than 25 people are allowed within park areas designated as available under paragraph (c)(2) when the superintendent has issued a permit for the activity. A permit is not required for a demonstration in the designated location if it involves 25 persons or fewer and does not involve structures.

(c)(2) The following locations are designated as available for demonstrations:

- The lawn area adjacent to the windmill and picnic area (Map Area #2)
- The lawn area of the former stable and lodge site (Map Area #1)
- See below and/or see map at <https://www.nps.gov/sahi/planyourvisit/special-use-permits.htm> for specific location and size of authorized demonstration areas.



First Amendment activities cannot be held in areas that would interfere with visitor's ability to visit the park, such as entrances to buildings, the entrance area to the park, trails, pathways, roadways, etc., as identified in (e)(1-5).

Determination:

The designated location is in a prominent location that will allow individuals and groups to conduct demonstrations in a manner that will allow for effective communication of speech and other protected activities. At the same time, the designated location leaves ample space for visitors to enter and leave safely and for the NPS to conduct administrative activities such as interpretive events.

36 CFR §2.52 -- SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATTER

(b) The sale or distribution of printed matter by more than 25 persons is allowed within park areas designated as available under §2.51(c)(2) (see above) when the superintendent has issued a permit.

36 CFR §2.60 – LIVESTOCK USE AND AGRICULTURE

(a) Livestock are generally prohibited in any park area. They are only permitted in park areas pursuant to the exceptions provided for in §2.60(a) and only pursuant to the terms and conditions of a license, permit, or lease.

36 CFR §2.61 – RESIDING ON FEDERAL LANDS

(a) Residing in park areas, other than on privately owned lands, is prohibited except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit lease or contract.

36 CFR §2.62 – MEMORIALIZATION

(b) The scattering of human ashes from cremation is prohibited, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit, or in the following areas and according to the following conditions:

- No areas of the Park are designated for the scattering of human ashes from cremation.

36 CFR §3.6 – BOATING OPERATIONS

(a)(2) Launching or operating a vessel is prohibited, except at one of the following launch sites:

- None; launching or landing vessels in anyway is prohibited.

36 CFR §3.16 – SWIMMING AND WADING

Swimming, wading, or bathing is not allowed in the park. No areas are designated as swimming or bathing areas.

36 CFR §3.18 – SCUBA AND SNORKELING

(a) Snorkeling and underwater diving is not allowed in park waters.

No areas are designated; diving and snorkeling are prohibited.

36 CFR §3.21 – SWIMMING AND BATHING

Swimming, wading, or bathing is not allowed in the park. No areas are designated as swimming or bathing areas.

36 CFR §4.10 – TRAVEL ON PARK ROADS AND ROUTES

(a) Park roads, open for travel by motor vehicle are those indicated below, and/or as indicated in the following publication or document (attached hereto):

- Sagamore Hill Road, a county-maintained road partially located within Park boundaries, is open to all motor vehicle traffic. Old Orchard Road, a non-public road located within Park boundaries, is open only to Park personnel operating private or government-owned vehicles, the operators of delivery/service vehicles and visitors with disabilities if the need arises. All other roads/driveways within the Park are open only to Park personnel and residents.

(b) Routes and areas for off-road vehicle use are provided for in section 7. [Insert your park special regulation section where applicable] and in section 1.5(a)(2).**

- Off road vehicle use is prohibited.

(c)(1) Operating a motor vehicle not equipped with pneumatic tires is prohibited, except that a track-laying motor vehicle or a motor vehicle equipped with a similar traction device may be operated on one of the following routes designated for these vehicles:

- No areas are designated for track-laying motor vehicles; such vehicles are prohibited except when used by Park personnel or authorized contractors for operational needs.

36 CFR §4.11 – VEHICLE LOAD, WEIGHT AND SIZE LIMITS

(a) The following load, weight and size limits, which are more restrictive than State law, apply to

the roads indicated under the terms and conditions, and/or under permit as noted:

None

36 CFR §4.21 – SPEED LIMITS

(b) The following speed limits are established for the routes/roads indicated:

- The designated maximum safe speed limit for all roads/parking areas in the Park is 15 mph.

36 CFR §4.30 – BICYCLES

(a) The use of a bicycle is prohibited except on park roads, in parking areas, and on routes designated for bicycle use. Park roads and parking areas that are closed to bicycle use are listed in §1.5 of this document.

(d)(3) Riding a bicycle abreast of another rider is allowed on the following routes:

- The Visitor Center parking area only.

36 CFR §4.31 – HITCHHIKING

Hitchhiking or soliciting transportation is prohibited except in the following designated areas and under the following conditions:

- No areas of the Park are designated for hitchhiking under any conditions.

36 CFR §5.1 – ADVERTISEMENTS

Commercial notices or advertisements shall not be displayed, posted, or distributed on federally owned or controlled lands within a park area unless prior written permission has been given by the Superintendent.

36 CFR §5.3 – BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Engaging in or soliciting any business in park areas, except in accordance with the provisions of a permit, contract, or other written agreement with the United States, except as such may be specifically authorized under special regulations applicable to a park area, is prohibited.

36 CFR §5.4 – COMMERCIAL PASSENGER-CARRYING MOTOR VEHICLES

(a) The commercial transportation of passengers by motor vehicle except as authorized under a contract or permit from the Secretary or his authorized representative is prohibited in certain parks. See §5.4(a) for more information.

36 CFR §5.6 – COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

(b) & (c) Using commercial vehicles on government roads within park areas when such use is in no way connected with the operation of the park is generally prohibited and requires permission or a permit from the Superintendent.

36 CFR §5.7 – CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS OR OTHER FACILITIES

Such activities are prohibited, except in accordance with the provisions of a valid permit, contract, or other written agreement with the United States.