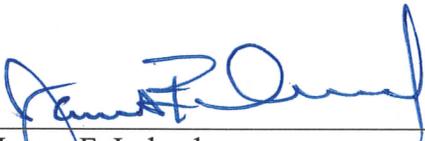


UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
TIMPANOGOS CAVE NATIONAL PARK, UTAH 84003

DESIGNATIONS, CLOSURES, PERMIT REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER  
RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED  
UNDER THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OF THE SUPERINTENDENT  
TITLE 36, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 1.7(b)

Under the provisions of 16 U.S.C., Section 3, and Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7, the following Superintendent's Orders (compendium) are established for Timpanogos Cave National Monument. Unless otherwise noted, these orders apply in addition to the regulations contained in Parts 1-7 of Title 36 CFR and will remain in effect until amended.

Approved:



James F. Ireland  
Superintendent

APRIL 9, 2014

Date

## SECTION 1.5 CLOSURES AND PUBLIC USE LIMITS

- (a) Consistent with applicable legislation and Federal administrative policies, the superintendent has established the following rules, designations, conditions and restrictions on the following park activities:

### **(1) Visiting hours, public use limits, closures:**

All park areas south of Utah Highway 92 except the existing paved cave trail; Timpanogos Cave, Middle Cave, and Hansen Cave and their connecting tunnels (hereinafter “the cave system”); and the Monument visitor center complex are closed to public use.

The cave trail is closed to the use of all wheeled vehicles, including strollers, except by authorized personnel for emergency or administrative purposes.

During the cave tour operating season (generally mid-May – mid-October as determined by the Superintendent), the cave trail above the “1/4 Way Gate” is open daily from sunrise until the end of the last scheduled cave tour and closed to public use at all other times.

During the non-cave tour operating season (generally mid-October – mid-May as determined by the Superintendent), the cave trail above the “1/4 Way Gate” is closed to public use except during those times that staffing and weather conditions permit temporary openings. Any temporary opening of the trail will be advertised in local media and evidenced by the unlocking of the ¼ Way Gate and removal of trail closure signs at the trailhead.

The cave trail, or any portion thereof, may be closed at any time due to inclement weather, trail repair or maintenance, or other administrative need.

The cave system and cave trail are closed to persons 16 years of age and under unless accompanied and supervised by an adult, or working as a Timpanogos Cave NM volunteer and working under a parental agreement authorization.

The cave system is closed to all public access except when accompanied by designated NPS staff on a conducted tour; or under a Special Use Permit; or engaged in research or a resource management project. Visitors on cave tours must remain with their group and tour guide at all times. Cave tours are limited in size to 16 people, regardless of age.

All residential and maintenance areas, potable water system facilities, and service roads are closed to public use.

The Canyon Nature Trail is closed to bicycles.

*These closures are in effect for visitor safety and resource protection due to the steep, hazardous terrain, frequent rockfall, and delicate nature of the cave and natural environment in the area.*

**(2) Designated areas for specific use or activity or conditions**

The taking of any fish shall be in compliance with State regulations except that fishing with lead sinkers is prohibited.

**SECTION 1.6(f) COMPILATION OF ACTIVITIES REQUIRING A PERMIT**

- Scientific research, 1.5
- Collecting research specimens, 2.5
- Operating a power saw in developed areas, 2.12(a)(2)
- Operating a portable motor or engine in undeveloped areas, 2.12(a)(3)
- Operating a public address system, 2.12(a)(4)
- Air delivery, 2.17(a)(3)
- Noncommercial soliciting, 2.37
- Using, possessing, storing, or transporting explosives, blasting agents, or explosive materials, 2.38(a)
- Using or possessing fireworks and firecrackers, 2.38(b)
- Special events, 2.50(a)
- Demonstrations involving 26 or more people, 2.51
- Sale and distribution of printed matter by groups of 26 or more people, 2.52(a)
- Grazing, 2.60(a)(1), (2)
- Residing on federal lands, 2.61(a)
- Installing a monument or other commemorative installation, 2.62(a)
- Commercial notices or advertisements, 5.1
- Commercial operations, 5.3
- Commercial photography or filming, 5.5
- Commercial vehicle use of park roads, 5.6
- Construction of any building, structure, facility, road, trail, path or way, telephone line, power line or other utility, 5.7

**SECTION 2.1 PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL, AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES**

- (b) Walking and hiking within the Monument south of Utah Highway 92 is restricted to the paved cave trail.

**SECTION 2.2 WILDLIFE PROTECTION**

- (d) Wildlife lawfully taken outside the monument boundaries may be transported through the monument by vehicle, in direct route on Utah Highway 92.

- (e) Viewing wildlife with any artificial light at night anywhere in the monument is prohibited.

## **SECTION 2.5 RESEARCH SPECIMENS**

- (b) A collection permit is required in advance for collection of any type of research specimen.

## **SECTION 2.10 CAMPING**

All areas of the monument are closed to camping.

## **SECTION 2.11 PICNICKING**

Picnicking is prohibited within the cave system but is otherwise permitted in areas open to public use.

## **SECTION 2.13 FIRES**

- (a) (1) Open fires are only permitted in park provided established grills, grates or fire rings in designated picnic areas.
- (b) Charcoal fires in self-contained grills are permitted. Charcoal must be cooled and disposed of in a garbage receptacle or removed from the park. Wood fires must be extinguished so that all the wood is cool to the touch with no visible embers, coals, or sparks before the fire is left unattended.

## **SECTION 2.15 PETS**

- (a) (1) Pets are prohibited on the cave trail, within the cave complex, and in park buildings. Certified service animals may be permitted on the cave trail and through the cave.
- (5) Persons possessing a pet are required to collect any excrement deposited by the pet within the Monument and remove it or dispose of it in a manner consistent with state and county regulations.

## **SECTION 2.16 HORSES AND PACK ANIMALS**

- (b) Horses may not be kept, tied, or ridden within the monument.

## **SECTION 2.18 SNOWMOBILES**

- (c) The use of snowmobiles is prohibited within the monument.

## **SECTION 2.20 SKATING, SKATEBOARDS, AND SIMILAR DEVICES**

There are no designated areas within the Monument where the use of roller skates, skateboards, roller skis, roller blades or similar devices is allowed. Use of these devices is prohibited on all Monument roads; on the cave trail; and on the Canyon Nature Trail.

## **SECTION 2.21 SMOKING**

- (a) Smoking is prohibited in the following locations:
- All public buildings in accordance with Utah State Law
  - All government vehicles
  - Along the cave trail during designated periods of extreme fire danger
- (b) Smoking is prohibited in the cave system at all times.

## **SECTION 2.35 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

- (a) (3)(i) The consumption of alcoholic beverages and the possession of a bottle, can, or other receptacle containing an alcoholic beverage that is open, or that has been opened, or whose seal is broken or the contents of which have been partially removed is prohibited in the visitor center, cave system, and on the cave trail.

*The superintendent has determined that the consumption of an alcoholic beverage or the possession of an open container of an alcoholic beverage would be inappropriate considering the other uses of these locations and the purpose for which they are maintained and established, particularly the hazardous environment along the paved cave trail and the fragility and irreplaceable nature of cave speleothems.*

## **SECTION 2.50 SPECIAL EVENTS**

- (a) Special events require a permit issued by the superintendent and must be applied for in advance.

## **SECTION 2.51 PUBLIC ASSEMBLY, MEETINGS**

- (b) (2) All areas of the park are open to demonstrations except:
- the cave system;
  - the cave trail from the parking lot to the entrance grotto;
  - the interior of the visitor center;
  - the concession sales and seating area;
  - parking lots and roadways; and
  - service and residential areas.