



## Donoho Basin Group Camping

1. It is required to read A, B and C inside brochure then check off below to show your understand the following :

- A Group Camping Regulations
- B Leave No Trace
- C Food storage and Bear Safety

2. Sign and date below

3. Carry this brochure with you while you are traveling to and camping at Donoho Basin.

4. Dates Lower Camping \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates Upper camping \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the Wrangell St. Elias National Park and Preserve's policies on group camping regulations, Leave No Trace, and best practices on camping in bear county and understand any persons violating any of these conditions and or requirements may be subject to (civil or criminal) penalties.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Even the most experienced campers must challenge themselves to Leave No Trace in the wilderness.

## Donoho Group Camping Regulations



- All groups of 8 or more must register to camp at Donoho Basin. Education and registration can be done online, by phone or in person at the **Kennecott Visitor Center** from Memorial - Labor Day. Registration includes contacting the park, reading, signing and possessing this brochure with the group.
- Guided groups in Donoho Basin are limited to no more than 12 clients. A minimum ratio of one guide per six clients must be maintained. Unguided groups are limited to no more than 12 persons total.
- Minimum camp distance between associated groups is one-half mile.
- To register please e-mail the park at [wrst\\_backcountry@nps.gov](mailto:wrst_backcountry@nps.gov) or contact Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve at 907-822-5234 during normal business hours.
- From May 15 to September 15 Donoho Camping Regulations 36 CFR 13.25(a) are in effect.

## Leave No Trace

1. Donoho Basin has a group size limit. Please prepare for your groups skill level, food, and food storage needs.
2. Travel on existing routes and camp on durable surfaces if possible. Locate route and camping options on the enclosed map or talk to a Park Ranger.
3. It is prohibited to “dispose of human body waste within 100 feet of a water source..., or campsite, or within site of a trail.” [36CFR2.14.] For groups, it is recommended, utilizing a latrine trench dug 6 to 8 inches deep, at a minimum of 200 feet from a water source, high watermark on a body of water, a campsite or within sight of a trail. Pack out all toilet paper and hygiene items.
4. Leave what you find. It is prohibited to remove archeological and fossils artifacts [36CFR 13.20 and 43 CFR part 3]
5. Wood is difficult to obtain at Donoho Basin. Plan on using a cook stove.
6. Respect wildlife. It is best to observe quietly from a distance and behave in ways that do not force the animal to change its behavior.
7. Not everyone travels to the wilderness for the same reason. Respect other visitor intentions and help protect the quality of every ones experience. Be courteous on the trail as well as in the camp. Maintain group size and camp location limits.

## Food Storage and Bear Safety

### Proper Food Storage Required

- All food, toiletries, garbage, and items with an odor must be secured within a Bear-Resistant Food Container (BRFC).
- You can supply your own BRFC, ask your outfitter, or inquire with Wrangell-St. Elias Visitor Centers for (free rental) Bear-Resistant Food Containers (BRFC).
- Bears do not like being surprised. Always make noise and group together while traveling in low visibility areas.
- Be alert and aware of bear sign and food sources (i.e. wild berries) while hiking and selecting a campsite.
- Do not prepare or consume food within a 100 yards from your tent and food storage areas.
- Camp in areas with good visibility. Ensure that a bear has room to travel around your camp.
- If a bear is encountered, group together and make noise.

