

Appendix C. Backcountry Use Permit

BACKCOUNTRY USE PERMIT

Denali National Park and Preserve
National Park Service
U. S. Department of Interior

Please keep this permit accessible while traveling, and display it on your tent once camp is established.

It is the responsibility of the trip leader and all trip participants to know and obey backcountry regulations and the following permit conditions. Violations may invalidate an entire permit and result in legal consequences.

- A valid backcountry permit is required for all overnight use in Denali Backcountry Units 1-43. It must be in your possession or displayed on your tent while in the backcountry.
- A backcountry permit is valid for only the dates, locations, and party members specified. Non-emergency deviation from the permitted itinerary, including delay of the start of a trip, is prohibited, and will invalidate the entire permit.
- A backcountry permit is valid only for overnight recreational activities. Any other use of the backcountry as an alternative place of residence is prohibited.
- Camping is prohibited within view of, or within ½-mile (0.8 km) of, all roads and developed areas.
- Entry into closed areas or disturbance of critical wildlife habitats such as denning areas or nesting sites is prohibited.
- In Denali Backcountry Units where Bear Resistant Food Containers (BRFCs) are required, all food, garbage, and scented items must be stored in BRFCs and placed at least 300 feet (90 meters) from camp. BRFCs must be returned, undamaged, within 48 hours of trip completion.
- All garbage, including sanitation products, must be packed out. Human waste must be buried 6 inches (15 cm) deep in soil and a minimum of 100 feet (30 meters) from water and 200 feet (60 meters) is recommended.
- Disturbance of wildlife, plants, antlers, artifacts, rocks, or any natural or cultural objects is prohibited.
- Fires, pets, or weapons are prohibited in the Denali Wilderness.
- All bear encounters, especially those with property damage or personal injury must be reported to a ranger.
- Commercial use is prohibited except by incidental business permit or concessions license.

Safety Warnings and Recommendations:

- Avoid bear encounters. Make noise while traveling. Never run from a bear. Read the Alpenglow section on bear safety.
- River and glacier crossing can be dangerous.
- Avoid hypothermia. Stay warm and dry.
- Know your group's limits and stay within them.
- Boil, filter, or treat your water to protect against Giardia and Cryptosporidia.
- Practice Leave No Trace principles.
- Respect private property in Kantishna (Kantishna Advisory)

Signatures

Date