

PARK SPECIFIC STIPULATIONS GUIDED DAY HIKING BACKCOUNTRY

1. Use of the Area:

- The CUA holder may have a maximum of one (1) hiking group in Backcountry Unit 74 at a time, and a maximum of two (2) hiking groups in Backcountry Unit 77 at a time.
- CUA holders who provide both Day Hiking and Overnight Hiking guide services in the same area must limit the number and must coordinate the movement of their groups to adhere to the above requirement.
- An overlap of groups; arriving at or departing the area while waiting for air taxi transportation is permitted.

2. Employees (guides) are not permitted to stay overnight in the area unless there is a guided group present.

3. Tarp use by employees and guests:

- A tarp (single sheet of fabric) may only be erected in the area to provide shelter during inclement weather.
- The tarp must be erected on a durable surface, which has little to no vegetation and no crypto biotic soils.
- The tarp must be at least 100 yards from the lake shore and in a location that is unobtrusive to visitors arriving in the area.
- The tarp shall only be set up when the employees are present and shall only be used for activities associated with the Guided Day Hiking Backcountry CUA.

4. Emergency food and gear storage:

- Bear resistant containers approved by the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee, are approved for short-term, emergency food and equipment storage. Overnight use is prohibited.
- The containers must be stored at least 100 yards from the lake shore, in a location that is unobtrusive to visitors arriving in the area.

5. Leave No Trace:

- Hiking activity near Backside Lake (in the recent moraine areas with gravely soil and pioneer vegetation) shall take place on routes designated with existing unobtrusive small rock cairns. These routes must be minimized and not expanded.
- Hiking activity away from Backside Lake (the older alpine meadow vegetation) shall be dispersed to the greatest degree possible to prevent the formation of newly created social trails and minimize resource damage at camping areas.
- If the NPS detects visitor-created social trails or resource damage at camping areas away from the lake, the NPS will seek to apply measures to limit the impacts to the area.
- Hiking must be done on durable surfaces whenever possible.

6. Wilderness Safety:

- At least one guide on each trip must have a current Wilderness First Aid or Wilderness First Responder certification. The CUA holder must provide a list of guides with certification. Certificate copies are required upon NPS request.