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Grand Canyon National Park  
Backcountry Information Center

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## Backcountry Permit Request Form

### Things to Know Before Applying

**When to Apply.** The earliest backcountry permit requests are considered is the first of the month, four months prior to the proposed start month. We begin accepting these earliest consideration requests starting 10 days before the first of the month that is four months prior to the proposed start month. All earliest consideration requests received by 5pm MST on the first of the month are randomly ordered for processing. Once this is completed all later requests are considered in the order received.

**How to Apply.** PERMIT REQUESTS ARE NOT ACCEPTED BY TELEPHONE OR EMAIL.

- Fax request to the Backcountry Information Center, 928-638-2125.
- Mail request to Grand Canyon Permits Office, 1824 S Thompson Street, #201, Flagstaff AZ, 86001.
- Bring request to the Backcountry Information Center, located inside the park on both the South Rim and the North Rim.

**Permit Response.** Please allow up to three weeks for your backcountry permit request to be processed. Requests are responded to via U.S. Mail or email.

**Safety.** Travel in Grand Canyon National Park backcountry has inherent risks and hikers assume complete responsibility for their own safety. Rescue is not a certainty. Backcountry users should be in good physical condition and should be able to survive on their own by taking the necessary precautions and equipment. Your safety is your responsibility. Visit [www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/hike-tips.htm](http://www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/hike-tips.htm) for more information.

**Regulations.** Grand Canyon hikers are responsible for knowing and obeying all backcountry rules and regulations. Visit [www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry-regs.htm](http://www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry-regs.htm) for more information.

**Multiple Permits.** In order to safeguard the highest quality backcountry experience for all hikers, regulations stipulate that all permits are void when a group (i.e. same club, organization, group of friends, etc.) obtains multiple permits for the same campground or use area for the same night.

**Itinerary.** You may submit as many itinerary choices as you wish (use additional pages if necessary, be sure to include your full name on all additional pages). Itineraries can be longer than seven nights. To ensure a backcountry permit reflects your request, dates must be consecutive within itinerary. Include nights at Phantom Ranch, on Forest Service land, and on Tribal land.

**Permit Cost.** \$10 per permit plus \$8 per person or stock animal per night camped below the rim and \$8 per group per night camped above the rim. Denied requests will not incur a charge. Permits cancelled at least four days in advance will receive hiker credit (minus a \$10 cancellation charge) valid for one year. Backcountry Information Center charges are NON-REFUNDABLE!

For more information including seasonal hiking tips, trail information, Leave No Trace, Hike Smart, and private stock requirements visit [www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry.htm](http://www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry.htm)

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Comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form should be sent to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, National Park Service, 1849 C St., NW (2601), Washington, D.C. 20240.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Trailhead Vehicle 1 Rental? Yes No State: \_\_\_\_\_ Plate: \_\_\_\_\_

Trailhead Vehicle 2 Rental? Yes No State: \_\_\_\_\_ Plate: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this an organized or guided trip? Yes No Group/Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if part of a larger group obtaining more than one permit, organization name is required)

Number of People (1-11): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Stock: \_\_\_\_\_

### Itinerary First Choice

Beginning Trailhead: \_\_\_\_\_

Ending Trailhead: \_\_\_\_\_

Night	Date (m/d/yy)	Use Area Code or Campground
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		

### Itinerary Second Choice (optional)

Beginning Trailhead: \_\_\_\_\_

Ending Trailhead: \_\_\_\_\_

Night	Date (m/d/yy)	Use Area Code or Campground
1		
2		
3		
4		
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*You may submit as many itinerary choices as you wish, attach additional pages as needed.*

### Additional Trip Choices (If all choices are unavailable, the NPS will retry using options selected below)

- Similar/nearby Campsites       Trip Length (number of nights): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Start Dates:    Earliest \_\_\_\_\_      Latest \_\_\_\_\_  
 Minimum Group Size: \_\_\_\_\_ (more permits are available for small groups of 6 or fewer)

### Technical Canyoneering and Pack Rafting (check box if listed gear will be used)

- Technical gear to descend slot canyons       Pack raft or similar

Hiker Credit  Use hiker credit on file

Method of Payment     MasterCard     Visa     Discover     American Express

Total Cost Authorized: \_\_\_\_\_ Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date

Card Number

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