

NPS Announces Updated Regulations

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BUSHKILL, PA- Where can I go camping? Am I allowed to have a campfire? Which park trails allow bicycles? Can I bring my dog? Where can I have a barbecue? Can I fly my drone?

All these questions, and more, are answered in the recently updated Superintendent's Compendium of Designations, Closures, Permit Requirements, and Other Restrictions for Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. "Being aware of the rules and regulations is a good place to start when planning a trip to the park. Knowing what is allowed and where you can go to do certain activities is an important part of having a safe and fun national park visit," advised Chief Ranger Eric Lisnik. "Be sure to check the park's website for the latest updates and information before visiting, whether you're coming from down the road or across the country."

"Some of the most beautiful places to visit are also among the most fragile environments in the park and are easily damaged by trash, human waste, overuse, and misuse," said Kara Deutsch, Chief of Resource Management and Science at the park. "We ask all visitors to follow the rules and regulations when visiting so that these special areas can remain as they are for future generations of visitors to also enjoy."

The Superintendent's Compendium for Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area is available on the park website at: [Compendium of Park Regulations - Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area \(U.S. National Park Service\) \(nps.gov\)](#).

The Superintendent's Compendium addresses park-specific issues and regulations at the local level using federal authority granted to superintendents in Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Parts 1 through 7. The CFR is a codification of the general and permanent rules published in the Federal Register by the executive departments and agencies of the federal government, including the National Park Service. The CFR is available electronically at [www.ecfr.gov](#).

Under 36 CFR 1.7(b), superintendents are required to "compile in writing all the designations, closures, permit requirements, and other restrictions imposed under discretionary authority. This compilation shall be updated annually and made available to the public upon request." Contact the Superintendent's Office at (570) 426-2418 to request a hard copy.

For more information on Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, call (570) 426-2452; visit our website at [www.nps.gov/dewa](#); or follow us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/DelWaterGapNPS](#) and Instagram at [www.instagram.com/DelWaterGapNPS](#).



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