State of California - Natural Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Mount San Jacinto State Wilderness

WILDERNESS PERMIT INFORMATION

Mount San Jacinto State Wilderness is located at a high altitude where the growing season is short. Plant life has little opportunity to recover from overuse from one season to the next, and unless we take the steps to protect these areas they could be lost to us forever.

To insure the preservation of the natural environment and assure the visitor of a quality visitor experience, the Department of Parks and Recreation has instituted a Wilderness Permit system; everyone entering the wilderness area for the day or for camping must have a permit in their possession. Applications for permits will be accepted up to 56 days (8 weeks) in advance; if you apply by mail, send your request in at least 10 days in advance. (Telephone or fax requests will not be accepted.)

Fees are $5.00 per person payable by check or money order (do not send cash) to California State Parks.

Groups must be limited to 15 people, and juvenile groups must have at least one adult leader for each 14 juveniles. Dogs are not permitted in wilderness areas of the State Park System.
To prevent overuse and provide everyone an opportunity for solitude carrying capacities have been established for the wilderness area campgrounds. These campgrounds are Round Valley, Tamarack Valley, Little Round Valley, and Strawberry Junction. On summer weekends these campgrounds fill to capacity four or more weeks in advance. It is essential that campers plan ahead to avoid being turned away on these weekends.

RULES OF WILDERNESS BEHAVIOR

1. **BUILD NO FIRES.** Chemical stoves permitted.
2. **CAMP ONLY IN A CAMPSITE DESIGNATED BY A BROWN POST.**
3. **BRING NO DOGS** into the State Wilderness.
4. **PACK OUT ALL TRASH AND GARBAGE.**
5. Respect the solitude.
6. Dispose of waste water and wash dishes at least 100 feet from any stream, spring or faucet.
7. Have no more than fifteen (15) people in a group and hike and camp apart from other groups.
8. Erect no structures made from rocks, branches, snow, or other natural materials.
9. Possess no firearms, bows, or slingshots.
10. Do not smoke. Smoking is not allowed.
11. Neither possess nor use in the State Wilderness any wheeled mechanical or motorized device including, but not limited to, bicycles, strollers, carts or motorcycles.

MAIL PERMIT APPLICATION AND FEES WITH A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE TO :

Mt. San Jacinto State Park
P.O. Box 308
Idyllwild, California 92549

For more information call (951) 659-2607

Cancellation Policy: Fees are non-refundable in the event of cancellation

The United States Forest Service has a similar permit system in effect for wilderness areas in national forests. These permits are issued at U.S.F.S. Headquarters, P.O. Box 518, Idyllwild, CA 92549. For information call (909) 382-2922.

~ Wilderness is forever with your help. Please help preserve its beauty ~

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DETACH HERE AND SUBMIT WILDERNESS PERMIT APPLICATION AND FEES ALONG WITH A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE.

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NOTE: Permits will NOT be processed without FEES and a self-addressed stamped envelope.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED.

To complete this form, press Tab key and enter information, print, copy, sign, and mail with fee.

APPLICANT'S PRINTED NAME *(last, first, middle initial)*	**DAYTIME PHONE NO.** ( )
ADDRESS	
CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE	
PLANNED START DATE *(month/day/year)*	**PLANNED FINISH DATE** *(month/day/year)*
LOCATION OF ENTRY *(name or description)*	
LOCATION OF EXIT *(name or description)*	
NO. OF PEOPLE IN GROUP *(maximum 15)*	**VEHICLE LICENSE NO.** *(vehicle left at trailhead)*
ORGANIZATION/GROUP NAME *(For groups with 10-15 people. If not applicable, enter "NA.")*	
EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME *(person with knowledge of your route of travel and inventory of equipment taken)*	**EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE NO.** ( )

DATE	PLANNED OVERNIGHT CAMP LOCATIONS	NO. OF NIGHTS IN CAMP

ALTERNATE DATE	ALTERNATE PLANNED OVERNIGHT CAMP LOCATIONS	NO. OF NIGHTS IN CAMP

FEES: MAKE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO *CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS*
Group Size _____ x $5.00 Fee = $_____Total Fee Enclosed. (DO NOT SEND CASH)

I agree, and the members of my group agree, to abide by all laws, rules, and regulations which apply to this area.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE ▶ DATE

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