



United States
Department of
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Inyo National Forest Wilderness Reservation Form



Forest Service
Pacific Southwest
Region

GROUP LEADER

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

Fax (_____) _____

E-mail (optional) _____

List Alternate Leaders allowed to replace Group Leader:

FEES/PAYMENT

Reservation fee of \$5.00/person is charged when reserved. If you will enter the **"Whitney Zone"** at any point during your trip the fee is **\$15.00 per person instead** of \$5.00/ person. Reservations are non-refundable, non-transferable to other parties or future years, and not for re-sale. Send only one application per group. Applications received with out payment will be rejected. Submission of this application indicates your agreement to these terms and conditions.

Group size _____ X fee _____ = _____ total fee
(Maximum group size 15 people)

VISA MasterCard Check or Money order
Credit card number: payable to: USDA Forest Service

Expiration date (month/year) _____/_____

Print name on credit card _____

Signature _____

LOGISTICS

This Form Not Accepted for Mt Whitney Lottery.

List alternate dates and /or trails, **in order of preference**, in case your first choice is unavailable. Attach additional choices if necessary. The **entry date** is the date your entire party *must actually start at the entry trail and enter the wilderness boundary* (excludes trailhead campgrounds).

Please read other conditions on the back of this form.

	Entry Date	Exit Date	Entry Trail Name	Exit Trail Name	1 st Camp Location
1 st Choice					
2 nd Choice					
3 rd Choice					
4 th Choice					
5 th Choice					
6 th Choice					
7 th Choice					
8 th Choice					
9 th Choice					
10 th Choice					
11 th Choice					
12 th Choice					

Primary mode of travel: foot _____ other _____ pack animals _____
number & type

Is this a GUIDED trip? (Circle) **YES** **NO**

Name of guide, company, school, church group, youth organization, etc.

Wilderness Permit Reservation Instructions

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General Application Form – Not for Use in February Mt. Whitney Lottery

Apply from six-months in advance, up until 2 days before trip entry date. Submit application by mail, fax or phone.

Step 1. Fill out application: Please be sure application is accurate and complete before you submit. See below for more terms and information.

Step 2. Calculate fee: Enter group size and calculate fee. Reservation fee is \$5.00 / person, except if you enter the "Whitney Zone" at any point during your trip, then the fee is \$15.00 / person instead of \$5.00/person.

Step 3. Payment: Applications must include payment for reservation fee (US Funds only). Payment returned if no reservation is made. Pay by VISA or MasterCard; check; or money order payable to: **USDA Forest Service**

Step 4. Submit to: Wilderness Permit Reservation Office, 351 Pacu Lane, Suite 200, Bishop, CA 93514; Fax (760) 873-2484; Phone (760) 873-2483.

Step 5. Reservation Confirmation: Application requests are processed in order received. Reservation is based on space available for entry date requested. Response is by mail unless trip is imminent.

Mt Whitney Instructions:

Use this application for the following **overnight** trips to Mt Whitney:

- Trip that **ENDS** on the Mt. Whitney Trail, but begins on any other Inyo National Forest trail (such as Shepherd Pass, Kearsarge Pass, North Fork of Lone Pine Creek, etc). Apply as you would for "Other Trails" and use "Trail Crest" as exit trail.
- North Fork Lone Pine Creek access to the Mountaineer's Route, East Face/ Buttress.
- If you are submitting this application in April or later.

For the **February Lottery** Use the "**Mt Whitney Lottery Application**"

Day hike permit cannot be used as part of an overnight trip. No consecutive day hikes. North Fork of Lone Pine Day Hike included in Mt .Whitney Day Use Quota.

Reservation fee is \$15.00 per person if at any point during trip you enter the Mt.Whitney zone.

For available dates and when to apply for remaining space for the Main Mt Whitney trail, refer to the Inyo National Forest website or phone the Wilderness Reservation Office after April 1st.

Reminders/Conditions: For Golden Trout, John Muir, Ansel Adams, and Hoover Wilderness Areas

Permits are required year round for overnight wilderness trips and for day use into the Mt. Whitney Zone. Quota season is from May 1st through November 1st, except for George Creek / Mt. Williamson, for which special restrictions apply. For non-quota season use self-issue permits, located at Inyo National Forest Visitor Centers.

All members of your party **must enter the wilderness** on the **entry date** and **entry trail** specified on the permit. No exceptions.

Group size cannot exceed 15 people.

Submit only one application per trip/ group. Use separate applications to request multiple trips.

Duplicate applications, even from different members of the party, may result in multiple reservations with non-refundable charges. Once a reservation has been issued, there are no refunds. Reservations are not transferable to other parties or future years. Reservations are not for re-sale.

If there is space available you can: change your date of entry or trailhead for a \$10 Change of Reservation Processing Fee or add to your party size by paying the additional \$5 per person (\$15 per person for the Mt. Whitney Zone) reservation fee. For space availability, refer to our website or contact the Wilderness Permit and Reservation Office.

You **must confirm or pick up your permit** before the deadline, or your reserved permit will be canceled and will be re-issued to other parties on a walk-in basis.

Day hike confirmation deadline is noon on day before entry. Overnight trip confirmation deadline is 10 a.m. on your entry date.

Pick up your reserved wilderness permit at an Inyo National Forest Visitor Center, in person up to two days before the entry date of your trip. At that time you will receive up to date site-specific information regarding bear canister requirements, bighorn sheep protection areas, camping, campfire, and other specific regulations.

See our website for more information: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/inyo> or contact the **Wilderness Permit Reservation Office** at (760) 873-2483.

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