

COMMERCIAL USE AUTHORIZATION FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
OPERATING PLAN - Attachment B

General Provisions

1. The CUA for Road-based transportation service allows the CUA holder to conduct a vehicle tour, shuttle service or act as a step-on guide, on paved park roads with visits to facilities and services in combination with short walks on boardwalks, frontcountry roads, and trails including:
 - a. Old Faithful Geyser Basin
 - b. Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone (North and South Rims including overlooks)
 - c. Biscuit Basin
 - d. Black Sand Basin
 - e. Norris Geyser Basin
 - f. Mammoth Hot Springs Terraces
 - g. West Thumb Geyser Basin
 - h. Fountain Paint Pots
 - i. Firehole Lake Drive
 - j. Midway Geyser Basin
 - k. Mud Volcano
 - l. Blacktail Plateau Drive -- passenger van only
2. Step-on Guide service is defined as a guide who rides in the visitor's vehicle, as a guide/sightseeing tour within the Park. It is the guides' responsibility to check the clients' proof of auto liability insurance before the trip. Guides must meet clients outside of other park concessioner's land assignment.
3. Guided activities such as day hiking (on any other trails) backpacking, biking, boating, photography instruction, and/or fishing are not authorized under this permit.
4. All vehicles, whether owned or non-owned (leased or rented) used by the CUA holder must be in safe operating condition and licensed in accordance with state laws and insured.
5. A transportation service must originate from park gateway communities that include West Yellowstone, Bozeman, Livingston, Gardiner, Cooke City, Montana; and Cody, and Jackson, Wyoming.
6. A transportation service is limited to sedans, vans, and mini buses (with a maximum capacity of 25), and must originate from gateway communities.
7. The CUA holder shall be liable for any damages to any property of the United States resulting from the use authorized hereunder.
8. Violation of any park regulation or the terms of this permit may result in issuance of a violation notice, suspension of privileges granted by this permit, or revocation of this permit.

Administrative Requirements

9. Section 512 of the Credit Card Accountability Responsibility and Disclosure Act of 2009, P.L. 111-24, 123 Stat. 1764-65, allows persons to possess firearms while in units of the National Park

and National Wildlife Refuge Systems if they are possessed in compliance with applicable federal and state law.

The Following are specific requirements for operating in Yellowstone National Park:

- Concessioner employees may not possess firearms while on duty. The superintendent, in his or her sole discretion, may grant exceptions to this prohibition upon consideration of a written request from the Concessioner's general manager with a thorough explanation of the basis of the request.
- Concessioners are responsible for determining how they will interpret and implement State firearm possession laws in regard to their clients. The Concessioner and/or its legal counsel should consult the applicable state attorney general's office for access to relevant state firearms laws.
- The Concessioner must provide the Service its written policy that articulates how it will implement this law in regards to its operation. The policy should address the two issue points: 1. confirmation that on-duty employees will be prohibited from firearm possession; 2. a plan for management of public firearm possession in regards to concession activities.

Staff and Employment

10. Guides for transportation services must provide quality and accurate interpretive tours.
11. The CUA holder shall be responsible for the prompt and appropriate retrieval of clients and equipment in the event of a breakdown or accident.
12. It is required that one guide on each trip must be currently certified in standard first aid and carry a basic 12-unit first aid kit.

Operational Requirements

13. The CUA holder must ensure that all clients and guides stay at least 100 yards from bears and wolves. A distance of 25 yards is required from bison, elk and other wildlife. Regardless of any distance, if any wild animal changes its behavior due to your group's presence, you are too close.
14. Foot travel in all thermal areas must be confined to boardwalks or trails that are maintained for such travel and are marked by official signs. 36 CFR, Ch1, Sect. 7.13(i) No off-trail travel is allowed; stay on designated boardwalks and trails.
15. The CUA holder shall obey all traffic laws including park speed limits. All vehicles will have seat belts and all clients will obey seat belt regulations.
16. Slow moving vehicles must use roadside turnouts and parking areas to allow free flow of other traffic.
17. Vehicles shall not be left idling in parking areas or park across multiple parking spaces. Loading zones will not be occupied longer than necessary to load and unload passengers.
18. Visitor entrance receipts are not transferable. Annual or lifetime passes will be honored for the client and immediate family only.

Reporting Requirements

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19. All motor vehicle accidents involving personal injury or property damage must be reported to a ranger as soon as possible.
20. CUA holder will provide to the Concessions Management Office a monthly report indicating the date, number of visitors guided, and locations visited for the preceding month of operation. Reports must be received no later than the end of the following month.

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I have read and agree to the above conditions. I hereby confirm that the above conditions will be reiterated to all guides associated with this business.

CUA Holder's Signature

Date

Title

Company Name

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