

## **HORSE USE Letter of Permission and Confirmation Document for AKAMINA KISHINENA PROVINCIAL PARK**

The following policy is in place within the Kootenay Okanagan Region regarding horse use by private (non-commercial) parties in Akamina Kishinena (A/K) Provincial Park. Commercial operators must have a valid Park Use Permit, which is a separate requirement from this policy. For more information on Park Use Permits visit: <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/permits/>

**Policy:** All persons wishing to take horses into A/K Provincial Park must apply online. The online request should be received in the below office at least seven (7) days in advance of the date of entry into the park. Once you have filled out the form below and submitted it, the Thank you page can be printed as the Letter of Permission (LOP). The leader of the group should carry this LOP on their person during the horse trip and be prepared to show it to a BC Park Ranger when asked.

For further information please call:

**Area Supervisor, Southern Rockies Area**

Ministry of Environment - Kootenay Region

205 Industrial Road G, Cranbrook, BC V1C 7G5

Phone: (250) 489-8540 Fax: (250) 489-8506 Monday to Friday (closed holidays) 8:30 am to 4:30 pm (Mountain Time)

**When applying** please indicate the following:

1. Date(s) you wish to be in park.
2. Number of horses and mules (saddle and pack).
3. Route(s) for entering and leaving the park.
4. Leaders name (who will be responsible for the group), address and contact phone number
5. Names of all members in the group.

**Remember to obtain permission from Parks Canada if you intend to travel through Waterton Lakes National Park.** [http://www.pc.gc.ca/pn-np/ab/waterton/index\\_e.asp](http://www.pc.gc.ca/pn-np/ab/waterton/index_e.asp)

**Standard that *must* be adhered to:**

- Maximum of ten (10) horses.
- No horses permitted on the Forum Lake trail and the Wall lake horse trail must be used to access Wall Lake (**no horses on the main Wall Lake trail**).
- No overnight horse use in the **Core Area** this includes A/K campground and Wall Lake.
- At least 3kg of concentrated feed pellets per horse per day must be fed to supplement grazing if using park overnight.
- Horses must be tethered or high-lined 50m from any water source or camping area.
- Do not tie horses or tethers to trees smaller than 20 cm in diameter.
- All garbage must be packed out.
- In consideration of other trail users horses **are to be walked at all times** (i.e. no cantering or galloping).

**BC Fishing Licences and Hunting Licenses are required and regulations are strictly enforced.** <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/fishreg.html>