

BC PARKS
SAMPLE SPECIAL FILM CONDITIONS

ANIMALS

- Wildlife may be brought into the park provided the handler is in possession of an approved Ministry of Environment Wildlife Permit for the purpose of keeping wildlife in captivity and transport. This permit is issued by Ministry of Environment for more information call 1 688-433-7272. BC Parks Film Supervisor will review the document on site. All wildlife used in the film must be removed from the park each day.
- Domestic animals such as horses & dogs utilized in the shoot must be attended by a handler at all times. At no time must horses be left unattended, tied to trees or be left to disturb the ground. All excrement must be immediately cleaned up and disposed of in a proper manner outside of the Park.
- The Film Company will be responsible for the safety of all associated staff and animals while in the Park.
- While animals are in the Park and when stunts utilizing such animals are being performed, a member of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) must be on site.
- Animals must not be left unattended for public safety.
- Wolves may be kept overnight to help reduce stress and kenneled in a manner approved by BC Parks and the SPCA.
- In cases where animals are subject to situations that could compromise their well-being, i.e., dog swimming in cold water, a certified veterinarian must be present to ensure the animal's health is not compromised.

ARTIFICIAL SNOW

- o use of Stepanol AM for artificial snow shall be allowed within proposed film activity areas of park. The use of potato flakes "SnoBiz" (a carbohydrate rice by product) to simulate snow may be permitted provided a complete clean-up is done prior to completion of this Park Use Permit.
- Snow blankets are encouraged wherever possible to contain any artificial product and to minimize the use of artificial snow.

CRASH

- For any crash scenes, medical and emergency response agencies will be on site. The Film Company shall ensure that no environmentally harmful substances (e.g., oil, gas or anti-freeze) are used or released in the simulated crash.

EXPLOSIONS (EXPLOSIVES, GUNFIRE, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS)

- The Film Company may use simulated gunfire provided that the number of shots is minimized and the resulting noise is of little impact to adjacent land owners. If complaints are received or the BC Parks Location Supervisor deems the noise too much a disturbance, approval for simulated gunfire will be rescinded.
- The production armourer, special effects dept. and props dept. must be made aware that full load simulated gunfire will not be permitted. Quarter load ammunition may be permitted.
- The use of mortars, lifters, squibs, b-line, will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

HELICOPTER

- Operation of helicopters will be minimized and helicopter staging areas will be cordoned off for public safety. This area will be monitored during all helicopter activities.
- All staff working near helicopters shall have appropriate training/orientation.

HOLDING TANKS / SANITATION

- At the shoot location, food services and any other location that the crew will be congregating shall be equipped with both garbage and cigarette butt receptacles. All garbage will be removed from the Park.
- The Film Company shall ensure adequate sanitation facilities are available.
- No dumping of ANY holding tanks is permitted. In the past this has been a problem involving catering companies. The Film Company shall advise any catering company they employ that they cannot drain their tanks within a Provincial Park.
- No washing of vehicles is permitted within a Provincial Park.

LOCATION SUPERVISION

- The BC Parks Location Supervisor must be introduced to the crew during the safety meeting. He/she will briefly relate permit conditions that he will be enforcing.

LOSS OF PRODUCTION TIME OR REVENUE

- The Province shall not be responsible for loss of production time or revenue occasioned by loss, or damages by fire, smoke, lightning, floods, earthquakes, hailstorms, windstorms, impact of aircraft or vehicles, acts of God, stop production orders as stipulated under condition 3, or for any other causes.

PUBLIC CONSIDERATION AND SAFETY

- The Film Company must have an appropriate number of people wearing traffic vests to secure area for public safety.
- Care and attention shall be given to traffic patterns of the crew. If congestion develops or a safety hazard exists, the Location Manager will ensure that a qualified flag person, wearing safety vest and having radio contact is provided to ensure safety of the area.
- The Film Company will do everything possible to limit the number of vehicular trips to transport people and equipment to the shoot locations. Every effort will be made to have people walk to locations.

RADIOS

- A radio must be made available for the BC Parks Location Supervisor.

RECYCLING

- Recycling boxes must be available for aluminum cans and glass bottles.

RESIDENT WILDLIFE - SPECIAL NOTE

- Bears frequent many Park areas. The Film Company shall ensure film site and catering area are clean and no crew approaches or otherwise harasses the bears. Horse wranglers should be made aware of this situation. The Film Company shall ensure that a number of hand held air horns are present on site to help deter inquisitive bears.

SAFETY MANUAL

- A copy of the film company's safety manual must be made available to the BC Parks Location Supervisor prior to any activity.

SEARCH AND RESCUE

- The Film Company shall be responsible for the initial search and rescue for people under its guidance.
- The Film Company is responsible to ensure proper rescue equipment and properly trained and skilled personnel in first aid and rescue operations are on hand at all times while shooting or setting up in the Park.
- The Film Company shall report all accidents or near accidents and any searches to the Area Supervisor as soon as possible.

SIGNAGE

- A sign will be placed at each location with the film company's name, the dates on which filming will be undertaken and a message apologizing for any inconvenience to the public.

SIMULATED FIRES

- Fires will be prohibited during high fire hazard season.
- Only controlled simulated campfires will be permitted. The propane must be turned off any time filming is not in progress. The ground below/beneath the stunt area/fire must be covered to prevent damage from heat or friction. The fire is to be attended at all times and fire extinguishers must be on hand. Upon completion of filming, all debris is to be removed from the park and the area restored to its original condition.
- The Film Company shall have a water storage tanker available during all filming takes with a potential fire hazard. All fire fighting costs incurred as a result of this Park Use Permit will be at the expense of said Film Company.
- If any smoke or fire is used as special effects, the Film Company must ensure that the local Fire Departments and BC Forest Service are notified in the event they could be mistaken as a potential forest fire.

SPECIAL EFFECTS

- Stunt vehicle must be drained of hazardous fluids in case of leakage. Minimal fuel is to be in vehicle during stunt.
- Spill kits will be on hand in the event of an accidental spill from vehicles, generators, gas powered fans, etc. Spill kits are mandatory and must accompany set trucks that are being fuelled in the Park.
- Any special effects with a possibility of fire shall have an appropriate number of fire extinguishers on hand.
- A sign shall be erected notifying the public of possible noises created by the special effects.

VEGETATION

For any equipment or props that must be secured to existing trees; each tree trunk shall be protected with burlap or rubber matting.

- Rigging and overhead wiring must be installed in such a way as to not damage vegetation (dead or alive).
- Pruning of tree branches, removal of stumps, displacement of large logs, rocks and other plant material (dead or alive) is generally not permitted.
- In areas where filming is done off a trail or road; the entry and exit paths to the site, as approved by BC Parks, for equipment set-up and set preparation are to be the only ones used, i.e., no additional paths being developed in and out of a site. This is a particularly sensitive issue when the ground is saturated with water and large crews are present in fragile environments. BC Parks' Location Supervisor must be consulted to identify entry and exit paths of a filming site.
- In sensitive areas where filming is done off a trail or road, all filming activities shall take place on boardwalks and platforms.

VEHICLE CONTROL (TRAFFIC, RCMP)

- The Film Company shall supply all necessary first aid, fire fighting, toilet facilities, police and traffic control staff and equipment for the duration of the permit.
- The Film Company will supply the necessary traffic control to ensure the safety of park users. While filming on any road, traffic control will consist of traditional traffic control techniques and apparatus, including radio contact, and will be carried out by trained staff. All traffic control personnel must have "Workers Compensation Board" certification and all regulations of the Workers Compensation Act must be adhered to at all times.
- Stop / Slow paddles and high-visibility vests must be available to all crew responsible for directing traffic. An adequate supply of traffic cones / signage must also be available. Radios commonly used by film productions often have inadequate range to communicate between the upper and lower lock-up position on mountain roads. Dedicated long range radios are suggested.
- Road closures will be limited to maximum three minute shut down with five minute openings. Please ensure that the shots can be accomplished in a three minute window. Any deviation without prior authorization will require the approval of the BC Parks Film Supervisor.
- If filming does occur during the night traffic personnel must be equipped with flashlights and flashing barricades.
- At no time shall any vehicle leave the road and parking lot surfaces.
- The Film Company is responsible for ensuring that any disturbance or damage to the road surface, road shoulders, meadow areas or trails will be repaired to BC Parks' specifications.
- Use of **snowmobiles or snow cats** will be restricted to approved access roads. At no time will vehicles travel off road except with authorization of the Area Supervisor or his designate. Vehicles will be operated in safe professional manner.

VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL

- The Location Manager shall provide all crew with an advisory of the speed limit within the park. Violators will be ticketed by Park Rangers who are enforcement officers under the Motor Vehicle Act. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated for public safety.