



Order Number 06-22-01-23-05

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area

FOREST ORDER NO. 06-22-01-23-05
Temporary Public Use Restrictions

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following special restrictions and prohibitions are established on all National Forest System lands within the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, within the States of Oregon and Washington. This Order becomes effective on July 10, 2023, and will remain in effect through November 1, 2023, unless rescinded sooner.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, including a charcoal fire and pellet fire, on all National Forest System lands **36 CFR § 261.52(a)**.
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, all designated campground, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. **36 CFR § 261.52(d)**.
3. Possessing, discharging, or using any kind of firework or other pyrotechnic device. **36 CFR § 261.52(f)**.
4. Using an explosive. **36 CFR § 261.52(b)**.
5. Discharging a Firearm. **36 CFR § 261.58(m)**. Hunting is permissible. Persons possessing a valid hunting license who are legally attempting to take game are exempt from this section of the prohibition.
6. Operating or using any internal or external combustion engine without a spark arresting device that is properly installed, maintained and in effective working order in accordance with either: - U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service Standard 5100-1a; or- Society of Automotive Engineers recommended practices J335(b) and J350(a)). **36 CFR § 261.52(j)**
7. Welding, or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame. **36 CFR § 261.52(i)**.
8. Violating any Oregon or Washington state law concerning burning, fires, or which is for the purpose of preventing or restricting the spread of fire. **36 CFR § 261.52(k)**.



Closure Area: All National Forest System lands, roads, and trails within the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area.

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission. *'Person' means natural person, corporation, company, partnership, trust, firm, or association of persons. 'Permit' means authorization in writing by a Forest Officer. 'Forest Officer' means an employee of the Forest Service.*
2. Any Federal, State or Local Officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns, or heating devices that can be turned off.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.

Violations of this prohibition are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both (16 USC § 551; 18 USC §§ 3551, 3571, and 3581).

Done at Hood River, Oregon, on July 5, 2023, at 1400 PM.

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