

## Drone Use in Snow Canyon State Park

Due to natural resource, safety, and privacy concerns Snow Canyon State Park prohibits the operation or use on or above State Park property of unmanned aerial systems, or drones, by the general public (including model aircraft by recreational users and hobbyists) without issuance of a Special Use Permit. This prohibition includes drones used for filming or videotaping, as well as any drone use by media or journalists operating above or within the park boundaries. This prohibition extends to any devices launched or operated from State Park property, as well as any launched from private property outside of the State Park boundaries.

Requests for drone use are assessed on a case-by-case base. **All requests for a Special Use Permit must be made a minimum of two-weeks in advance.** In order to assess requests and/or issue permits:

1. Pilot / Business name, address, and phone number
2. Pilots name and e-mail address
3. Date of shoot
4. Location(s) of shoot\*
5. Nature of shoot and equipment to be used
6. Drone operator FAA registration certificate
7. Copy of liability insurance
8. Arrival and departure times
9. Number of people and vehicles
10. Non-refundable filing fee of \$50 for commercial drones (fees may be higher for commercial productions)

\*At this time, the Snow Canyon Overlook is the only location where drone flights are permitted. Other locations will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

When planning your flight / shoot please note the following:

1. Parking is limited throughout the canyon.
2. Parking is designated lots only; parking along non-designated road shoulders is prohibited.
3. Hiking is on designated trails only. No off-trail or cross-country travel is allowed. All trails are detailed in our park brochure – make certain to pick up your copy.
4. Annual State Park passes cannot be used for any type of commercial activity.
5. Failure to obtain the proper permit may result in a \$600 fine.

If you would like additional information on the park or have other questions please feel free to phone 435-628-2255. Any of the full-time staff can assist you with your questions or permit:

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