Filming / Photo Shoots / Photography / Sporting Events / Charity Events

Professional filming and photo shoots include (but are not limited to) movie shoots; television, print, or internet commercials, advertisements, or promotions for products or businesses; commercial photography, etc. Amateurs are also required to obtain a permit. Sporting, charity, or large scale events include (but are not limited to) organized running or cycling events, poker runs, or charity fund-raisers. Requirements for professional filming, photo shoots, sporting, charity or other large events include:

1. Submission of a detailed proposal, and completion of a SUP a minimum of three weeks in advance of event.
2. A $50.00 filing fee (minimum required fee); may be charged per day depending on scale of activity.
3. $3,000,000 liability insurance certificate
4. Activities / events are only permitted in areas open to the general public, i.e. no special access privileges will be granted.
5. The duration of the SUP will be good for the date(s) of issue only. In the event that the shoot is postponed due to bad weather or a change in circumstances the fee will rollover to the next scheduled date only upon appropriate and timely notification by the permittee.
6. On-site coordinator / guide must be present (and available to park staff) for all filming/ shoot activity

Potential Additional Fees:
   1. $500.00 minimum performance bond depending on scale of activity
   2. $15 per vehicle or $3.00 per person per day commercial fee
   3. $50.00 per hour staff consultation/planning
   4. $50.00 per hour law enforcement personnel
   5. $25.00 per night / vehicle for overnight storage of vans, trucks, etc.
   6. $50.00 per hour / park vehicle
   7. Payment of up to 100 percent of lost daily revenue dependent upon the degree of disruption to park services.
   8. Damage deposit (to be determined)

In order to assess requests and/or issue a permit the following information is required:

   1. Detailed description of event or shoot including equipment, props, nature of shoot, etc.
   2. Business name, address, and phone number
   3. Name and e-mail address of permittee
   4. Name and e-mail address of on-site coordinator (if different than #3)
   5. Date(s) of shoot
   6. Location(s) of shoot
   7. Arrival and departure times
   8. Number of people and vehicles
   9. Non-refundable filing fee of $50
Please note:

1. Parking is limited throughout the canyon.
2. Parking is in 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. Shoots are only permitted in areas open to the general public, i.e. no special access privileges will be granted.
5. Drone use is restricted.
6. Annual State Park passes cannot be used for any type of commercial activity.
7. Failure to obtain the proper permit may result in a minimum $600 fine.

If you would like additional information on the park, potential shoot locations, 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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