



ORDER NO.2008-09

**ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR REGULATING THE POSSESSION
AND STORAGE OF FOOD WHILE CAMPING, TO WIT: WHITE MOUNTAIN
NATIONAL FOREST – NEW HAMPSHIRE and MAINE**

Under the authority of the Act of Congress dated June 4, 1897, as amended (16 U.S.C. 551), and pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture's Regulations set forth as 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart B (36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b)), the following acts and omissions are prohibited : on the White Mountain National Forest located in Carroll, Coos and Grafton Counties of New Hampshire, and Oxford County, Maine, said areas being described and designated as shown on the map set forth in Exhibit A which is attached hereto and made a part hereto:

1. Except while being prepared and consumed, all food, food containers and refuse shall be stored in a closed motor vehicle or suspended at least ten (10) feet above the surface of the ground and not less than four (4) feet horizontally from any object. Bear boxes, bear canisters, or bear fences designed specifically for food and/or refuse storage are acceptable. (36 CFR 261.58(cc))
2. All refuse containing food materials or containers shall be deposited in receptacles provided for that purpose as soon as possible after the waste is created or stored in the manner prescribed for food in #1 above. (36 CFR 261.58(cc))

THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO PROTECT NATIONAL FOREST PROPERTY. THEY ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PROHIBITIONS SET FORTH IN 36 CFR PART 261. THE PROHIBITION WILL BE IN EFFECT FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER UNTIL SPECIFICALLY WITHDRAWN BY TERMINATION ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR.

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

1. Persons with permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission (36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)); and,
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty (36 CFR 261.50(e)(4));

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (16 U.S.C., 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Dated this 4th day of May 2009 at Laconia, New Hampshire.

/S/ Thomas G Wagner
Thomas G. Wagner
Forest Supervisor
White Mountain National Forest

Exhibit A

Map of Food Storage Prohibitions on the White Mountain National Forest

Attachment 1

Rationale for: Food Storage

The intent of this order is to reduce negative human and wildlife encounters to protect public safety and wildlife.

Exhibit A

White Mountain NF Food Storage and Possession Prohibition

Applies to All White Mountain National Forest Lands

