

**ORDER**  
**OCCUPANCY AND USE RESTRICTIONS**

**White River National Forest**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R., § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited in the developed recreation sites and designated dispersed camping sites on the Aspen-Sopris Ranger District, White River National Forest, beginning at 12:00 p.m., July 27, 2012 and remaining in force until October 1, 2012 or until amended or rescinded. The restricted areas are located in Pitkin, Gunnison, and Eagle Counties, and are listed in the attached Table (Exhibit A). This Order is issued to protect people and property from possible bear interactions that may increase due to severe dry conditions this area is experiencing and a lack of natural food for bears. This Order also incorporates the attached definitions in Exhibit B.

1. Possessing or storing food or refuse anywhere except in bear-resistant containers or inside vehicles in sealed containers. 36CFR 261.58(cc)

**UNDER THIS ORDER IT IS REQUIRED THAT**

1. All food and refuse must be acceptably stored or acceptably possessed during daytime hours.
2. All food and refuse must be acceptably stored during nighttime hours, unless it is being prepared for eating, being eaten, being transported, or being prepared for acceptable storage.

**DEFINITION**

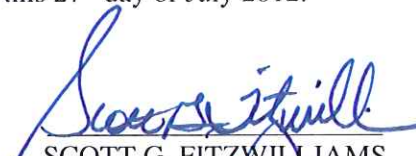
Food and Refuse shall mean any item intended for human or domestic animal consumption or use, including but not limited to food, domestic animal or livestock food, refuse, and those bird feeders, cooking utensils, cooking equipment, and coolers that may have any human or domestic or livestock food remnants, or the refuse from preparation, cleanup, and/or consumption (excluding water, baled hay, or hay cubes without additives).

**EXEMPTIONS**

1. Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty, or
2. Any federal, state, or local officer placing baits to capture animals for research or management purposes in the performance of an official duty, or
3. Any person with a permit issued by the Forest Service authorizing the otherwise prohibited act.

These restrictions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A. This Order shall remain in effect until October 1, 2012 from the date signed or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.

Done at Glenwood Springs, Colorado this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July 2012.

  
SCOTT G. FITZWILLIAMS  
Forest Supervisor  
White River National Forest

Violations of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for a corporation, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. Title 16 USC, Section 551

## EXHIBIT A: Recreation sites - ORDER NO. 2012-09

Map side/Site type	Name of developed recreation site	# of units	Elevation	camping	Location (sec, Township, Range)
	<b>Independence Pass Corridor</b>				
<b>Side A Campgrounds</b>	Difficult Campground	47	8100	Y	sec 33, T10S, R84W
	Difficult Group	1	8100	Y	sec 33, T10S, R84W
	Lincoln Gulch Campground	7	9600	Y	sec 6, T11S, R83W
	Lost Man Campground	10	10500	Y	sec 2, T11S, R83W
	Portal Campground	7	10500	Y	sec 24, T11S, R 83W
	Weller Campground	11	9400	Y	sec 1, T11S, R84W
	Lincoln Cr. Dispersed Campsites	21	10200	Y	T11s, R83W
	Discovery/Braille Day Use		9900	N	sec 6, T11S, R83W
	Grottos Day Use		9700	N	sec 6, T11S, R83W
		<b>Maroon/Castle Valley</b>			
	Silver Bar Campground	4	8460	Y	sec 28, T10S, R85W
	Silver Bell Campground	14	8490	Y	sec 33, T10S, R85W
	Silver Queen Campground	6	9400	Y	sec 32, T10S, R85W
	Castle Cr. Dispersed Campsites	7		Y	T12S, R84W
	East Maroon Day Use		9100	N	sec 8, T10S, R85W
	West Maroon Day Use		9600	N	sec 5, T10S, R85W
	<b>Fryingpan River Corridor</b>				
	Chapman Campground	78	8800	Y	sec 34, T8S, R83W
	Chapman Group	1	8800	Y	sec 35, T8S, R83W
	Dearhamer Campground	13	7800	Y	sec 14, T8S, R84W
	Elk Wallow Campground	7	8800	Y	sec 24, T8S83W
	Little Mattie Campground	19	7800	Y	sec 7, T8S, R84W
	Little Maud Campground	22	7800	Y	sec 7, T8S, R84W
	Mollie B. Campground	27	7800	Y	sec 7, T8S, R84W
	Ruedi Marina Campground	7	7800	Y	sec 7, T8S, R84W
<b>Picnic Sites</b>	Black Bess Day Use		7800	N	sec 18, T8S, R 83W
	Freeman Mesa Day Use		7800	N	sec 16, T8S, R84W
	Rocky Fork Day Use		7600	N	sec 12, T8S, R83W
	<b>Crystal River Corridor</b>				
<b>Side B Campgrounds</b>	Avalanche Campground	13	7400	Y	sec 34, T9S, R88W
	Bogan Flats Campground	36	7600	Y	sec 18, T11S, R88W
	Bogan Flats Group	1	7600	Y	sec 18, T11S, R88W
	Redstone I Campground	19	7200	Y	sec 9, T10S, R88W
	Redstone II Campground	20	7200	Y	sec 16, T10S, R88W
	Dinkle Lake Day Use		8600	N	sec 4, T9S, R87W

**EXHIBIT B ORDER NO. 2012-09**

Definitions:

1. "Food and Refuse" means any substance, solid or liquid (excluding water, baled hay, or hay cubes without additives) or refuse, which is or may be eaten or otherwise taken into the body to sustain health or life, provide energy, or promote growth of any person or animal. Also includes items such as soft drinks, alcoholic beverages, canned foods, processed livestock feed and grains, and empty food and beverage containers.
2. "Acceptably stored" means:
  - a. Stored in a bear-resistant container certified through the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee Courtesy Inspection Program. A container may be certified by the local District Ranger or their designated representative(s) if it meets the IGBC criteria, or
  - b. Stored in a closed, locked vehicle where the storage compartment is constructed of solid, non-pliable material that when secured, will have no openings, hinges, lids, or coverings that would allow a bear to gain entry by breaking, bending, tearing, biting, or pulling with its claws (any window in the vehicle must be closed), or
  - c. Suspended at least 10 feet clear of the ground at all points and four feet horizontally from any supporting tree or pole, or
  - d. Stored within a hard-sided residence, building, or storage container subject to the terms and conditions of a special-use authorization or operating plan, or
  - e. Stored by other methods approved in a permit issued by the Forest Supervisor responsible for the area where the method is proposed for use.
3. "Acceptably possessed" means:
  - a. Possessed or attended during daytime by a person(s) that is physically present within 100 feet and direct sight of the accessible food.
4. "Daytime" means ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset, Mountain Time.
5. "Nighttime" means ½ hour after sunset to ½ hour before sunrise, Mountain Time.
6. "Bear attractants" means any item that may attract bears such as but not limited to, food, domestic animal or livestock food, refuse, pet and bird foods/feeders, cooking utensils and equipment, cooking grills, and coolers.

# Food Storage and Sanitation Order

## *White River National Forest*

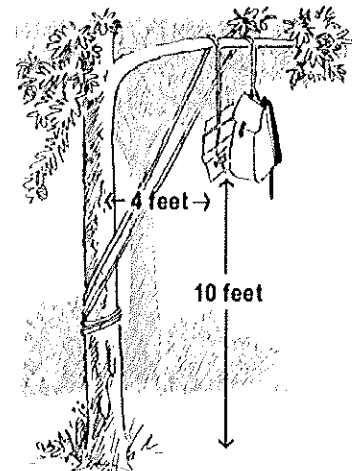
Your safety is important

This food storage order was created to help keep you and other forest visitors safe by avoiding encounters with bears and preventing bears from being attracted to campgrounds, trailheads, picnic sites and other areas frequented by people.

All food and other items that might attract bears must be stored where bears cannot access them at night and during the daytime when they are unattended. Attended means that a person is physically present within 100 feet and in direct sight of the food.

### These items must be properly stored

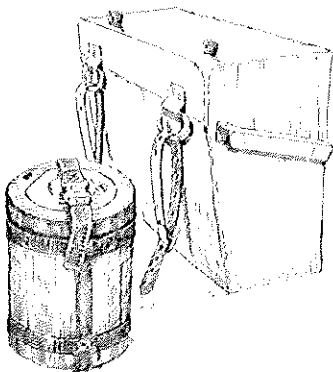
Human food, (including canned food, soft drinks and alcoholic beverages), pet food, bird feeders, BBQ grills, and personal hygiene items such as soap, toothpaste and deodorants. This also includes garbage and empty food and beverage containers.



### Proper storage methods

Proper storage methods include placing food and other items in bear resistant containers or hard-sided vehicles or suspending them at least 10 feet above the ground and 4 feet from any vertical support.

### Bear resistant containers



Bear resistant containers include the heavy metal boxes placed in campgrounds and other approved containers such as bear resistant horse panniers and backpackers' containers that are certified through the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee Courtesy Inspection Program.

NOTE: Plastic or metal food coolers, backpacks and leather or canvas horse panniers are NOT bear resistant.

REGULATIONS APPLY SUMMER 2012 OR UNTIL RESCINDED

