

WILDERNESS OCCUPANCY AND USE REGULATIONS
MAROON BELLS-SNOWMASS WILDERNESS
 WHITE RIVER AND GUNNISON NATIONAL FORESTS

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Section 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are *prohibited* on National Forest System land within the **Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness** of the White River and Gunnison National Forests, until further notice:

1. Entering or being in the area with more than 10 people per group, and a maximum of 15 pack or saddle animals. 36 CFR 261.58(f).
2. Camping:
 - a) within one hundred (100) feet of any lake, stream, National Forest System Trail, or any "No Camping" or "Wilderness Restoration Site" sign or;
 - b) within ¼ mile of Copper Lake, Conundrum Hot Springs, Crater Lake, Geneva Lake, Capital Lake, and Thomas Lakes, except at designated campsites. 36 CFR 261.58(e).
3. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a campfire:
 - a) within one hundred (100) feet of any lake, stream, or National Forest System Trail or;
 - b) within ¼ mile of treeline, or above treeline or;
 - c) within the entire Bear Creek drainage or;
 - d) within ¼ mile of Crater Lake, Conundrum Hot Springs, Copper Lake, Geneva Lake, Capital Lake, Snowmass Lake or Cathedral Lake. 36 CFR 261.52(a).
4. Storing equipment, personal property, or supplies for longer than 7 days. 36 CFR 261.57(f).
5. Hitching, tethering or hobbling any pack or saddle animal:
 - a) within one hundred (100) feet of any lake, stream, or National Forest System Trail or;
 - b) within ¼ mile of Crater Lake, Conundrum Hot Springs or Snowmass Lake. 36 CFR 261.58(aa).
6. Possessing a dog, except for working stock dogs, or dogs used for legal hunting purposes, unless under physical restraint of a leash not to exceed six (6) feet in length. 36 CFR 261.58(s).
7. Possessing a dog, except a service dog assisting a disabled person:
 - a) within ¼ mile of Crater Lake, except on the West Maroon or Maroon-Snowmass Trails or;
 - b) within ¼ mile of Conundrum Hot Springs, including designated stove sites #7-13. 36 CFR 261.58(s).
8. Possessing, storing or transporting any plant material, such as hay or straw. **NOTE:** Exceptions are allowed for livestock feed that has been processed through chemical or mechanical means in a manner that will destroy viable seeds. Examples of allowed material include: **pelletized feed and rolled grains**. 36 CFR 261.58(t).
9. Possessing or using a wagon, cart or other vehicle including a wheelbarrow or game cart. 36 CFR 261.57(h).
10. Shortcutting a switchback in a trail. 36 CFR 261.55(e).
11. Entering in or being in the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness without a valid wilderness use permit.

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

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, state, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force, in the performance of an official duty.

Unless rescinded sooner, this order will expired on December 31, 2013.

Done in Glenwood Springs, Colorado
 this 8th day of July, 2003


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Done in Delta, Colorado
 this 1st day of July, 2003


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