



Central Cascades Wilderness Permit System

Quotas for Day Use and Overnight

Day Use Quotas

- About 40% of each day’s permits are released 10 days prior to the day of the trip; the remaining portion is released 2 days prior (e.g. for permits June 15, permits are released on June 5 and June 13)
- The first day-use permits are released at 7:00 am PDT on June 5 (for trips on June 15)
- Search “Central Cascades” on www.recreation.gov and select “Central Cascades Wilderness Permit – Day Use”

Three Sisters Trailheads - Day Use Quotas (individuals)			
Trailhead	Total Daily Quota	10 Days	2 Days
Broken Top	45	18	27
Crater Ditch	24	10	14
Devils Lake / Wickiup Plains (South Sister)	150	60	90
Green Lake/Soda Creek	90	36	54
Lava Camp Lake (Matthieu Lakes)	50	20	30
Obsidian	33	13	20
Scott (Highway 242, Willamette National Forest)	16	6	10
Sisters Mirror	24	10	14
Tam McArthur Rim	90	36	54
Todd	24	10	14
Mt. Jefferson Trailheads - Day Use Quotas (individuals)			
Trailhead	Total Daily Quota	10 Days	2 Days
Duffy Lake	34	14	20
Jack Lake (Canyon Creek Meadows)	72	29	43
Marion Lake	44	18	26
Pamelia Lake	28	11	17
PCT Breitenbush / Breitenbush Lake	16	6	10
South Breitenbush (Closed as of March 2026)	16	6	10
Whitewater	33	13	20
Mt. Washington - Day Use Quotas (individuals)			
Trailhead	Total Daily Quota	10 Days	2 Days
Benson/Tenas	33	13	20
PCT McKenzie Pass	28	11	17

Overnight Use Quotas

- Full season permits will be released April 7, 2026 at 7:00 am PDT
- Additional permits are released 7 days prior to the start of a trip at 7:00 am PDT
- Search “Central Cascades” on www.recreation.gov and select “Central Cascades Wilderness Overnight Permits”

Three Sisters Trailheads - Overnight Use Quotas (groups)							
Trailhead	Total Daily Quota	Full Season	7 Days	Trailhead	Total Daily Quota	Full Season	7 Days
Box Canyon/Crossing Way	3	1	2	Obsidian/Scott	7	3	4
Broken Top/Crater Ditch	2	1	1	Park Meadow	3	1	2
Chush Falls	1	0	1	Pole Creek	5	2	3
Devils Lake/Wickiup (South Sister)	8	3	5	Rebel/Olallie/Elk Creek/South Fork	3	1	2
East Fork- Upper and Lower	2	1	1	Scott Pass/Millican/Black Crater	2	1	1
Elk Lake	3	1	2	Separation	2	1	1
Foley	3	1	2	Sisters Mirror	3	1	2
French Pete	2	1	1	Six Lakes	4	2	2
Green Lake/Soda Creek	7	3	4	Skookum (Erma Bell Lakes)	2	1	1
Horse Creek/Rainbow	2	1	1	Tam McArthur Rim	3	1	2
PCT Irish Taylor	5	2	3	Taylor Burn/Helen Lake/Jack Pine (closed as of March 2026)	3	1	2
Lava Camp Lake (Matthieu Lakes)	4	2	2	Todd	2	1	1
Linton Lake	1	0	1	Up French Pete/Pat Saddle/Up Lowder	2	1	1
Lucky Lake	2	1	1	Winopee/Corral Lk/Corral Swamp	3	1	2
Many Lakes/Deer Lake	3	1	2				

Mt. Jefferson Trailheads - Overnight Use Quotas (groups)

Trailhead	Total Daily Quota	Full Season	7 Days	Trailhead	Total Daily Quota	Full Season	7 Days
Bear Valley	2	1	1	Pamelia Lake	7	3	4
Bingham Ridge/Minto Mountain	4	2	2	PCT Breitenbush / Breitenbush Lake	3	1	2
Cabot Lake	3	1	2	PCT Santiam	5	2	3
Crown Lake/Roaring Creek (Closed as of March 2026)	4	2	2	Pine Ridge	3	1	2
Duffy Lake/Maxwell Butte	7	3	4	Round Lake	2	1	1
Jack Lake (Canyon Creek Meadows)	3	1	2	S. Breitenbush/ Triangulation/Cheat Creek (Closed as of March 2026)	4	2	2
Jefferson Lake	2	1	1	Whitewater	4	2	2
Marion Lake	7	3	4	Woodpecker	2	1	1

Mt. Washington - Overnight Use Quotas (groups)

Trailhead	Total Daily Quota	Full Season	7 Days	Trailhead	Total Daily Quota	Full Season	7 Days
Benson/Tenas	4	2	2	PCT Big Lake	2	1	1
Dry Creek - Access Point (CLOSED)	0	0	0	PCT McKenzie Pass	3	1	2
Hand Lake	1	0	1	Robinson Lake	2	1	1
Hortense Lake - Access Point (CLOSED)	0	0	0	Tenas Lakes/Fingerboard Prairie	2	1	1
Patjens	2	1	1				