

Laws & Policies

Regulatory Information

There are a number of Federal and State laws and regulations that protect National Park sites including Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Alcatraz Island, Fort Point National Historic Site, Muir Woods National Monument, and the people who visit here.

Visitors to the park are responsible for knowing and abiding by those rules, many of which are listed in [Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations](#). This webpage is intended to help people learn about the rules that protect them and their park. Further information is available from park rangers at headquarters and at the visitor centers throughout the park.

Superintendent's Compendium

Each national park has specific local regulations established under the Superintendent's discretionary authority under Title 36 CFR. These regulations are compiled annually and available here on the park website and in print at park headquarters.

Golden Gate NRA has announced the attached update to its 2017 compendium. Following a 30 day public advisory period, the 2019 compendium will be signed and reposted.

[2019 Superintendent's Compendium of Designations, Closures, Permit Requirements and Other Restrictions](#)

[2019 Superintendent's Compendium - Exhibit Maps](#)

[2017 to 2019 Changes Table](#)

[May 26, 2017 Superintendent's Compendium \(PDF 11.6 MB\)](#)

[July 16, 2019 Determination of Temporary Trail and Fire Road Closure \(PDF 1.31 MB\)](#)

Alternate format versions are available upon request with a minimum one-week turn around. To send a request, [e-mail us](#).

Code of Federal Regulations

The regulations that govern all national parks including Golden Gate National Recreation Area (including Alcatraz Island), Fort Point National Historic Site, and

Muir Woods National Monument are encompassed in [Title 36 CFR \(Code of Federal Regulations\)](#).

Park Mission

The Golden Gate National Parks mission is to preserve and enhance the natural, historic and scenic resources of the lands north and south of the Golden Gate for the education, recreation and inspiration of people today and in the future. In the spirit of bringing national parks to the people, we reach out to a diverse urban community, promote the richness and breadth of the national park system to many who are experiencing a national park for the first time and foster broad-based public stewardship through various volunteer and partnership programs.

Additional Reference Materials

GGNRA enabling legislation

GGNRA General Management Plan

Sweeney Ridge update to the General Management Plan

https://www.nps.gov/goga/learn/management/lawsandpolicies.htm?fbclid=IwAR2oLeQ2ySnxliZXfD7fj05Nbu6mwOfEH0g2vEY0KkfQ5v3oT23KcIIJ_rU

<https://www.nps.gov/goga/learn/management/upload/2019-Superintendent-s-Compendium-Maps.pdf>