(b) **Exceptions.** (1) Exceptions to prohibited extractive uses are limited to
bait fishing at Hurricane Hole and blue runner (hardnose) line fishing in the
area south of St. John. The Superintendent shall issue permits for such
uses.
   (2) Bait fishing shall be permitted with cast net at a distance greater
than ten feet from the seaward edge of the mangrove prop root system.
   (3) A maximum of three gallons of baitfish is allowed per fisherman per
day.
   (4) Blue runner shall be caught using hand lines and chum (a mixture of
ground up baitfish and sand to attract the fish).
   (5) Any fish caught other than blue runner shall be released.
   (6) Vessels involved in the catch of blue runner may use moorings des-
ignated for that purpose.

(c) **Marine Operations.** No dredging, excavating, or filling operations of any
kind are permitted, and no equipment, structures, by-product or excavated
materials associated with such operations may be deposited in or on the
waters or ashore within the boundaries of the monument.

(d) **Wrecks.** No person shall destroy or molest, remove, deface, displace or
tamper with wrecked or abandoned waterborne craft of any type or condition,
submerged cultural resources, or any cargo pertaining thereto, unless per-
mitted in writing by an authorized official of the National Park Service.

(e) **Boats.** (1) No watercraft shall operate in such a manner, nor shall an-
chors or any other mooring device be cast or dragged or placed, so as to
strike or otherwise cause damage to any underwater feature.
   (2) All watercraft, carrying pas-
sengers, for hire, shall comply with ap-
plicable regulations and laws of the
U.S. Coast Guard and Territory of the
Virgin Islands.
   (3) Anchoring will only be permitted
in emergency situations to protect life
and property.
   (4) Anchoring shall only be permitted
from 48 hours prior to landfall of the
hurricane to 48 hours following passage
of the hurricane.

(5) No lines or ropes shall be attached
to mangroves or other shoreline vege-
tation.

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§ 7.47 Carlsbad Caverns National Park.

(a) **Cave entry.** (1) With the exception
of the regular trips into Carlsbad Caverns under the guidance or supervision
of employees of the National Park Service, no person shall enter any cave
or undeveloped part or passage of any cave without a permit.
   (2) **Permits.** The Superintendent may
issue written permits for cave entry
without escort only to persons engaged
in scientific or educational investiga-
tions. The Superintendent shall ap-
prove issuance of a permit provided:
   (i) That the investigation planned
will have demonstrable value to the
National Park Service in its manage-
ment or understanding of park re-
sources, and
   (ii) That the permit applicant is ade-
quately equipped and experienced so as
to ensure the protection and preserva-
tion of park resources.
   (3) **Solo exploration.** Solo exploration
or investigation is not permitted in
any cave or undeveloped part or pas-
sageway of any cave within the park.

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FR 24123, June 15, 1976; 48 FR 30295, June 30,
1983]

§ 7.48 Lake Mead National Recreation
Area.

(a) **Aircraft, designated airstrips.** (1)(i)
The entire water surface of Lakes Mead
and Mohave are designated landing
areas, except as restricted in §2.17 of
this chapter.
   (ii) Aircraft may not be operated
under power on those water surface
areas designated as special anchorages,
including fairways, as defined in 33
CFR 110.127.
   (2) **Temple Bar landing strip, located
at approximate latitude 36°01′ N., ap-
proximate longitude 114°20′ W.**
   (3) **Pearce Ferry landing strip, lo-
cated at approximate latitude 30°04′37″
N., approximate longitude 114°02′44″ W.**
   (4) **Cottonwood landing strip located
at approximate latitude 35°29′ N., ap-
proximate longitude 114°40′ W.**
   (5) [Reserved]
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(6) Echo Bay landing strip located at approximate latitude 36°19'N., approximate longitude 114°27'W.

(b) Powerless flight. The use of devices designed to carry persons through the air in powerless flight is allowed except in harbors, swim beaches, developed areas, and in other locations designated as closed to this activity.

(c) Parking. Vehicles or boat trailers, or vehicle/boat trailer combinations, may be left unattended for periods up to 7 days, when parked in parking areas adjacent to designated boat launching sites, without written permission obtained in advance from the superintendent. Any vehicle or boat trailer or vehicle/boat trailer combination which is left in parking areas adjacent to designated boat launching sites in excess of 7 days without written permission obtained in advance from the superintendent may be impounded by the superintendent.

(d) Fishing. Unless otherwise designated, fishing in a manner authorized under applicable State law is allowed.

(e) The Superintendent may exempt motor vessels participating in a regatta that has been authorized by permit issued by the Superintendent from the noise level limitations imposed by §3.7 of this chapter.

(f) Personal Watercraft. (1) A person may launch and operate a personal watercraft in park waters or beach a personal watercraft on park lands, except in the following areas:

(i) In the designated Primitive area known as the Gypsum Beds, which is described as Arizona T31N; R23W Portions of Sections 3, 10, 15, 22, 27, 34; T30N; R23W Portions of Sections 2, 12, 13; T29N; R22W Portions of Sections 18, 19, 20, 29; and

(ii) In the designated Primitive area known as the Virgin River, which is described as Nevada T16S; R66E Portions of Sections 28, 29, 32, 33 and 34 and T17; R68E; and

(iii) In the designated Primitive area known as Grand Wash Bay, which is described as Arizona T33N; R16W Portions of Sections 16, 17, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 33 and 34, and T32½ N; R16W Portions of Sections 32 and 33; and

(iv) In the designated Semiprimitive area known as the Muddy River Confluence with Lake Mead (Overton Wildlife Management Area), which is described as Nevada T16S; R66E Portions of Sections 28, 29, 32, 33 and 34 and T17; R68E; and

(v) In the designated Semiprimitive area known as Bonelli Bay, which is described as Arizona T31N; R20W Portions of Sections 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 29 and 30.

(2) A person may not operate a personal watercraft at a speed in excess of flat wake speed within 200 feet of any beach occupied by bathers, boats at the shoreline, or persons in the water or at the shoreline.

(3) After December 31, 2012, no one may operate a personal watercraft that does not meet the 2006 emission standards set by EPA for the manufacturing of two-stroke engines. A person operating a personal watercraft that meets the EPA 2006 emission standards through the use of direct-injection two-stroke or four-stroke engines, or the equivalent thereof, is not subject to this prohibition and will be allowed to operate as described in this section.

(4) The Superintendent may limit, restrict, or terminate access to the areas designated for PWC use after taking into consideration public health and safety, natural and cultural resource protection, and other management activities and objectives.