§ 7.36 Mammoth Cave National Park.

(a) Fishing—(1) General. Trot and throw lines shall contain hooks which are spaced at least 30 inches apart.

(2) Seines. (i) The use of seines is permitted only in the following runs and creeks to catch minnows and crawfish for bait: Bylew, First, Second, Pine, Big Hollow, Buffalo, Ugly, Cub, Blowing Spring, Floating Mill Branch, Dry Branch, and Mill Branch.

(ii) Seines shall not exceed 4 × 6 feet and the mesh shall not be larger than one-quarter inch.

(3) Live bait. (i) Worms are the only form of live bait which may be used in the Sloans Crossing Pond (also known as Beaver Pond), Green Pond, Doyle Pond, and First Creek Lake. Live minnows and worms may be used in all other waters.

(ii) [Reserved]

(b)(1) Cave entry. Except for those portions of the caves open to the general public, no person shall enter any cave within the boundaries of the park without first obtaining a permit from the Superintendent. Permits will be issued to persons who are qualified and experienced in cave exploration, who possess the needed equipment for safe entry and travel, and who are engaged in scientific research projects which in the opinion of the Superintendent are compatible with the purpose for which the park was established.

(2) Persons on guided cave tours must stay on the established designated trails and remain with the guides and tour group at all times. Exploration of side passages, going ahead of the lead guide and tour group or dropping behind the following guide or tour group is prohibited.

(3) Persons on “self-guided” or “semi-guided” cave tours must stay in the established designated trails at all times. Exploration of side passages or taking alternate routes is prohibited.

(c) Bicycles. (1) The following trails are designated as routes open to bicycle use:

(i) Connector Trail from the Big Hollow Trailhead to the Maple Springs Trailhead;

(ii) Big Hollow Trail;

(iii) Mammoth Cave Railroad Bike & Hike Trail; and

(iv) White Oak Trail.

(2) The following are prohibited:

(i) Possessing a bicycle on routes or trails not designated as open to bicycle use;

(ii) Unless posted otherwise, operating a bicycle in excess of 15 miles per hour on designated routes; and

(iii) Failing to yield the right of way to horses or hikers.

(3) The Superintendent may open or close designated bicycle routes, or portions thereof, or impose conditions or restrictions for bicycle use after taking into consideration public health and safety, natural and cultural resource protection, and other management activities and objectives.

(i) The Superintendent will provide public notice of all such actions through one or more of the methods listed in §1.7 of this chapter.
§ 7.37  Jean Lafitte National Historical Park.

(a) Fishing. (1) Unless otherwise designated, fishing in a manner authorized under applicable State law is allowed.

(2) Within the Barataria Marsh unit, the superintendent may designate times and locations and establish conditions governing the taking of crayfish upon a written determination that the taking of crayfish:

(i) Is consistent with the purposes for which the unit was established; and

(ii) Will not be detrimental to other park wildlife or the reproductive potential of the species to be taken; and

(iii) Will not have an adverse effect on the ecosystem.

(3) Violation of established conditions or designations for the taking of crayfish is prohibited.

§ 7.38  Isle Royale National Park.

(a) Aircraft, designated landing areas.

(1) The portion of Tobin Harbor located in the NE¼ of sec. 4, T. 66 N., R. 33 W.; the SE¼ of sec. 33, T. 67N., R. 33 W., and the SW¼ of sec. 34, T. 67 N., R. 33 W.

(2) The portion of Rock Harbor located in the SE¼ of sec. 13, the N½ of sec. 24, T. 66 N., R. 34 W., and the W½ of sec. 18, T. 66 N., R. 33 W.

(3) The portion of Washington Harbor located in the N½ of sec. 32, all of sec. 29, SE¼ of sec. 30, and the E½ of sec. 31, T. 64 N., R. 38 W.

(b) Underwater diving. No person shall undertake diving in the waters of Isle Royale National Park with the aid of underwater breathing apparatus without first registering with the Superintendent.

(c) Mammals. Dogs, cats, and other mammals may not be brought into or possessed in the park area, except for guide dogs accompanying the blind.

§ 7.39  Mesa Verde National Park.

(a) Visiting of cliff dwellings is prohibited except when persons are accompanied by a uniformed National Park Service employee. However, the Superintendent may issue special written permits to persons engaged in scientific investigations authorizing such persons to visit the cliff dwellings without escort. The Superintendent shall approve issuance of a permit provided:

(1) That the investigation plan proposed, in purpose and in execution, is compatible with the purposes for which the park was established;

(2) That the investigation proposed will not jeopardize the preservation of park resources;

(3) That the study undertaken will have demonstrable value to the National Park Service in its management or understanding of park resources; and

(4) That the permit applicants are adequately experienced and equipped so as to insure that the objectives of paragraphs (a) (1), (2), and (3) of this section will be obtained.

(b) Hiking is permitted only on trails designated for that purpose by the Superintendent by the posting of appropriate signs or by marking on a map which shall be available for inspection by the public at park headquarters and other convenient locations within the park. Persons hiking on the Pictograph Point or Spruce Canyon Trails must register in advance with the Superintendent.

(c) Commercial automobiles and buses. The prohibition against the admission of commercial automobiles and buses to Mesa Verde National Park, contained in §5.4 of this chapter shall be subject to the following exceptions: Motor vehicles operated on an infrequent and nonscheduled tour on which the visit to the park is an incident to such tour, carrying only round trip passengers traveling from the point of origin of the tour, will be accorded admission to the park upon establishing to the satisfaction of the Superintendent that the tour originated from such place and in such manner as not to provide, in effect, a regular and duplicating service conflicting with, or