



State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation
Sierra District
Order No. 683-25-008

KINGS BEACH STATE RECREATION AREA SUPERINTENDENT ORDER

Bicycles: California Code of Regulations Title 14 (CCR) 4360 states, “unless designated by the Department, all trails are open to pedestrians and closed to all other uses.” As such, bicycles are only allowed to be operated in a safe and controlled manner on the following areas of this park:

- On paved Park roads, bike trails, and parking areas.

Park Hours: All facilities, roads, beaches, and trails, etc. are closed from 9 pm to sunrise daily. Exceptions may include permitted special events, or guided Park-led Interpretive activities.

Alcohol: In the interest of protecting public health and safety in the Park, and preserving the peace therein, no person shall consume any alcoholic beverage within or upon the lands of this park with the following exceptions: Special Events for which a permit has been granted specifically describing terms and conditions related to alcoholic beverages.

Dogs: As exceptions to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sec 4312(f)(1)/(f)(2), dogs are allowed on leash (CCR 4312(e)) at the rocky beach area east of the Raccoon Street boat launch.

Moorings: Vessels smaller than 30 feet and/or less than 5 tons in displacement are permitted to dock and moor at the pier at this park, subject to the following conditions:

Vessels meeting the specified limits may dock and moor at the specified State-owned piers, between sunrise and sunset, and only for a period of time which to load and unload passengers and/or equipment. Vessels, including human powered, may not be secured to vegetation (trees or shrubs) or Park improvements (picnic tables, etc.) at anytime per CCR T-14 4660. No overnight storage of vessels, including personal watercraft is allowed. Exceptions for special event permits, and approved concessionaires are specifically addressed in permitting documents for those uses.

Charcoal and Fire Restrictions: Charcoal fires/grills and wood fires are prohibited at this park. Only gas camp stoves may be used at the park, and then only used at picnic table locations, in the parking lot, or on the sandy beach. Additional fire closures may be posted at any time where Department officials have made a finding of extreme fire hazard (CCR 4311). Factors influencing my decision to restrict fires may include, but are not limited to:

- Periods where “red flag” conditions (or other severe weather conditions, to include excessive heat) are forecast
- Periods when the Air Quality Index (AQI) is significantly elevated.
- Periods when fire danger is “Very High” or “Extreme.”
- During periods when fire incidents have caused strain on firefighting and public safety resources.

Model Aircraft and Unmanned Aerial Systems: Model aircraft and Unmanned (unoccupied) Aerial Systems (UAS or “drones”) are an emergent technology that can have a negative impact on Park resources and public safety and are generally inconsistent with the park experience. Due to the dramatic growth and popularity of model aircraft and UAS, and based on concerns related to wildlife, aesthetics, visitor safety and privacy, and fire hazards, the following lands and facilities located within the Sierra District are restricted as follows:

No person shall launch, land, or operate a powered unmanned (unoccupied) aircraft or unmanned (unoccupied) aerial system (UAS) within **any** State Park unit owned or operated as part of the Sierra District of California State Parks.

I the District Superintendent, or my specifically named designee, may grant exemptions to this order as determined to be necessary for the proper administration of the park, and to protect the safety and welfare of its visitors, employees, and resources. Exceptions to this order **may** include:

- Use by trained law enforcement for public safety purposes
- Use by media outlets
- Non-commercial use upon completion of the park unit's special event permit application and applicable FAA compliance
- Scientific research with appropriate FAA registration and Park unit permits

If any exception is granted, as described above, all UAS/Drone equipment must be made available for inspection of safety compliance at the time of application. All exemptions, except for emergency personnel, must be obtained in writing. Requests for exemptions may be made by contacting the District Superintendent.

I, the District Superintendent, or my specifically named designee, may grant exceptions to this order as determined to be necessary for the proper administration of the park, and to protect the safety and welfare of visitors, employees and resources. All exceptions, except for emergency personnel, must be obtained in writing by the Sierra District Superintendent at P.O. Box 266, Tahoma, CA 96142.

Nothing herein shall be construed in derogation of other provisions of law, existing contracts or property rights previously granted.

These orders have been posted pursuant to the California Code regulations, Title 14, Section 4301(i).

Signed: Rich Adams Date: 5/9/2025
Rich Adams
District Superintendent
Sierra District

Authority: California Public Resources Code Sections 5003 and 5008, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 4326, CCR 4300, 4301, CCR 4323, CCR 4326, 4317, 4360, 4455, 4457, 4358, 4660