

Park Specific Stipulations: Air Taxi

Permitted Activities

- Visitor transport: drop off or pick up people from a day trip or overnight stay, passengers do not remain with the airplane while on the ground.
- Incidental hunt transport: the carriage of big game hunters, their equipment, or big game animals harvested by the hunters as an incidental¹ portion of their business.

Authorized Areas

Air Taxi landings are permitted throughout the park additions and preserve **except on glaciers and lakes on glaciers.**

Group Size

Group size is not limited, but Air Taxi providers should be aware that groups hiking or camping in the Park or Preserve areas are limited to 12 people.

Certifications

- All airplanes must be currently licensed, maintained, and operated in conformance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requirements.
- All pilots must have Title 14, Part 135 certification.
- Basic first-aid, CPR, and Leave No Trace certifications are required for Denali CUA holders.

Safety and Resource Protection

- The CUA holder must carry a spill kit onboard each aircraft that includes absorbent pads, a shovel and doubled plastic bags to remove and transport contaminated material.
- When transporting hazardous materials such as stove fuel or bear spray, the CUA holder must use an USDOT approved container and packaging, and follow the hazmat guidelines for safe handling, transportation, and storage.
- The CUA holder must remove all trash and garbage generated by their activities within the park.
- The CUA holder must notify the Alaska Regional Communication Center at (907) 683-2276 of any hazardous material discharge as soon as possible without impeding cleanup.
- Loading or unloading passengers or cargo from aircraft must be done only when engine(s) are completely shut down. "Hot loading" or "hot unloading" of passengers or cargo is prohibited.

¹ The word "incidental" means transportation provided to a big game hunter by an Air Taxi operator who does not: Charge more than the usual tariff or charter rate for the carriage of big game hunters, their equipment, and/or the big game animals harvested by the hunters; or advertise transportation services or big game hunting services to the public. The word "advertise" means soliciting big game hunters to be customers of an Air Taxi operator for the purpose of providing transportation service to, from, or in the field through the use of print or electronic media, including advertising at trade shows or the use of hunt broker services or other promotional services.

Additional Regulations and Considerations

- Flight operations are authorized only for fixed wing aircraft.

Kantishna Airstrip Specific Stipulations:

The annual landing limit on the Kantishna Airstrip is six (6) for those landings conducted to transport park visitors traveling to or from Kantishna for recreational purposes.

- Air Taxi drop offs in support of overnight backcountry trips must ensure clients have obtained the necessary backcountry permit(s) and Bear Resistant Food Containers (BRFCs).
- Clients in the Denali area (Healy to Cantwell) must obtain backcountry permits and BRFCs in person at the Backcountry Information Center.
- Clients flying into/out of Kantishna, not in the Denali Area (ie. Fairbanks, Talkeetna, Anchorage) may remotely obtain a backcountry permit by calling 907-683-9590.
- Landings for the purposes of pickup or delivery of Kantishna landowners, their immediate family members, employees, contractors or guests are unlimited.

Unauthorized Activities

- Helicopter use is prohibited.
- Landing on glaciers and lakes on glaciers is prohibited.