INLAND EMPIRE PAPER COMPANY
PRIVATE TIMBERLANDS

Recreation Access Rules and Regulations

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IEP Private Timberlands

Inland Empire Paper Company (IEP) owns over 117,000 acres of timberland in northeastern Washington and northern Idaho. Private timberlands like these provide many of the wood products used by the public. Each year IEP harvests enough trees to build 2,500 houses. We plant approximately 400,000 tree seedlings each year. Other tree-growing activities are completed on two to three thousand acres each year. Our long-term Forest Management Plan ensures that we can harvest this timber forever.

Part of the IEP philosophy is to protect other resources that you enjoy such as fish and wildlife habitat, water quality, aesthetic values, and recreational opportunities.

Please enjoy your visit on IEP private timberlands.

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Berry/Mushroom Picking
Christmas Tree Cutting*
Firewood Gathering*
Hiking
Horseback Riding
Hunting/Fishing*
Motorcycle/ATV Riding*
Mountain Biking
Sightseeing
Snowshoe/Cross Country Skiing

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Target Shooting

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Purchase Locations

Permits may be purchased at the following locations:

Rathdrum:
Hico Convenience/Gas Store (Exxon)
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Spirit Lake:
Miller's Food City
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Hauser Lake:
Hauser Market & Smoke Shop
17305 W. Highway 53, Hauser Lake, Idaho
Coeur d'Alene:
Black Sheep Sporting Goods
3534 N. Government Way, CDA, Idaho
Spokane:
White's Outdoors
4002 E. Ferry, Spokane, Washington
Near Spokane County Fair & Expo Center
Deer Park:
Levi's Minit Market
W. 109 4th Street, Deer Park, Washington
Northport:
Morning Bear Coffee
320 Center Avenue, Suite A, Northport, Washington
Liberty Lake:
Liberty Lake City Hall
22710 E. Country Vista Blvd., Liberty Lake, Washington

Fees

Individual Annual Permit [January 1 thru December31]
Charge is $50.00 plus tax per person.
Family Annual Permit [January 1 thru December 31]
Charge is $80.00 plus tax per family. Includes primary permit holder, spouse, and dependent children living at home
Daily Permit [One day only]
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Charge is $2.50 plus tax per person.

Children under the age of 16 years must be accompanied by an adult.

Entry/Exit Points

The following is a list of entry/exit points. There will be a gate host available at each entry/exit point.

Twin Lakes:
Located in Idaho approximately two miles west of the end of the pavement on Twin Lakes Road, past the Easterday Ranch.

Spirit Lake (2 locations):

1) Located in Idaho (Tesemini Gate) approximately one mile west of Silver Beach Resort on Spirit Lake Road, which is the road around the north end of Spirit Lake.

2) Located in Idaho approximately one mile west of the end of the pavement on Spirit Lake Road. Use this entry to get to the Brickel Creek Walking Trail. An easy to moderate interpretive trail for your hiking, picnicking and recreational enjoyment. (Ask gate host for brochure)

Mt. Spokane:
Located approximately one mile east of the Selkirk Lodge along Linder Ridge.

Thompson Creek:
Located approximately three miles north of the Muzzy Road and Thompson Creek Road intersection at the north end of Newman Lake, Washington.

Roads are open to full size (50" or wider) vehicles beginning Memorial Day weekend through mid-November. Roads are ***closed*** from mid-November until Memorial Day weekend to unauthorized or full-sized vehicles. IEP reserves the right to limit or close roads to all unauthorized or full-sized vehicles at ***any time*** throughout the year.

General Information and Rules

Permit guidelines:

1. Use only designated areas and specific entry/exit points as listed in Entry/Exit Points (page 5).
2. Motorized vehicles are to stay on roadways and are not allowed on any roads gated or posted "Closed".
3. Observe the 25 mph maximum vehicle speed.
4. Respect the patrols that monitor all forestland activities.
5. Show permits to IEP representatives when asked.
6. No dumping of refuse or other unwanted materials. Pack it in — pack it out rule applies.
7. No camping is allowed.
8. No target shooting is allowed.
9. No fires or fireworks are allowed.
10. Each vehicle is required to carry a shovel, bucket or helmet, and fire extinguisher. CB radios are strongly recommended.
11. Weather conditions can cause road surfaces to become unstable — use caution.
12. Vandalism to IEP property and logging equipment will not be tolerated and will result in prosecution.
13. No entry is allowed in active logging areas.
14. IEP reserves the right to limit access at any time to prevent road damage or protect forestland during extreme fire conditions. Please respect these closures.
15. No commercial activities allowed – this is a recreational use permit only.

Inland Empire Paper Company timberlands are patrolled. Any violation of IEP rules is subject to the revocation of permit without refund and possible prosecution.

Specific Activity Rules

Firewood Gathering

Season: Memorial Day Weekend to October 15 only.

An Access Permit constitutes permission to search for firewood. It is not a guarantee of firewood availability.

Rules:

1. Each person is required to have a valid access permit when cutting or hauling wood.
2. Fuel wood is for personal use only. Anyone known to be selling firewood will not be allowed to cut firewood on IEP land, even for personal use.
3. You are allowed five (5) cords of wood per season.
4. Only dead trees of any species may be cut.
5. Wood cutting or entry is not permitted in active logging areas or other posted and/or gated areas.
6. Permittee is responsible for determining location and property ownership of land from which wood is being cut.
7. Road Rules:
    a. Vehicles must stay on roadways.
    b. No cutting or hauling of wood during wet weather and/or soft road conditions.
    c. Do not block roadways with debris or vehicles.
    d. Debris must be cleared from roadways.
8. Safety Rules:
    a. Each vehicle is required to carry a shovel, axe, bucket or helmet and fire extinguisher.
    b. Chain saw must be equipped with spark arrestor.
    c. Do not park vehicle where exhaust system can come in contact with grass, wood, or other flammable materials.
    d. All state laws regarding forest fires must be obeyed.
    e. Wood cutting may be suspended during high fire hazard conditions.

Specific Activity Rules

Camping

No overnight camping is allowed. For group activities see page 10.

Fishing

You must have a valid State fishing license and valid Access Permit. All State regulations must be obeyed when fishing on IEP land.

Hunting

You must have a valid State hunting license and valid Access Permit to hunt on IEP land. In addition to the General Rules, the following rules pertain to hunting:

1. An IEP Access Permit does not give you permission to cross private land to access IEP land.
2. No hunting is allowed in active logging areas.
3. Gated or blocked roads are closed to motorized traffic and will not be opened for packing game out.
4. All State hunting laws apply on IEP land.

Horseback Riding

A valid Access Permit is required.

Berry and Mushroom Picking

A valid Access Permit is required. Permit is for personal use; no commercial picking is allowed.

Designated roadways are defined as graded and maintained roads.

Specific Activity Rules

Motorcycles, ATV's and UTV's

A valid Access Permit is required. You must follow all state law requirements. In addition to IEP's General Rules the following rules pertain:

1. Motorcycles, ATV's and UTV's 50" or less must enter through a designated gate host site (see map) and stay on designated roadways. *
2. Obey 25 mph maximum speed limit.
3. Gated or blocked roads may be closed.
4. No driving on roads posted "Active Logging", "Closed",or "No Access to Inland Empire Paper Company Timberlands".

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Hiking/Mountain Biking

Hiking - Brickel Creek Walking Trail can be accessed through Spirit Lake (Brickel Creek Gate) one mile west of the end of the pavement on Spirit Lake Road.

Biking - The Empire Trails network can be accessed through Spirit Lake (Tesemini Gate) approximately one mile west of Silver Beach Resort on Spirit Lake Road.

Christmas Tree Cutting
Season November 20 to December 25.

A valid Access Permit is required along with the following conditions:

1. Permittee is allowed one tree per permit only.
2. Trees must be cut below last live whorl of limbs.
3. Cut no trees over 10 feet tall.
4. Permittee is solely responsible for determining ownership of land from which tree is being cut.
5. Keep debris off roadway.

Group Activities

Organized Groups

An organized group is one that is incorporated and is able to purchase the required liability insurance. Group activities can be one or more of the following: horseback riding, camping, bicycling, snowmobile riding, hunting camps, nature walks, or special interest events.

Group events have additional requirements for access and costs vary based on the number of participants. IEP Access Permits do not apply. Group event fees are dependent on size of group and specific activity.

Requirements for any and all organized group events.

1. Groups must contact IEP 30 days prior to event date to start the application process and verify that the event is allowable and dates are available.
2. Letter of request including a description of the activity, date of event, and approximate number of people attending, must follow immediately after contact with IEP.
3. Map showing area to be used, including trails if applicable.
4. Copy of current liability insurance showing that coverage is no less than $1,000,000. It must also name IEP and Cowles Company as an additional insured.
5. Maintenance form is provided and must be returned no later than 10 days after event.
6. Group events are limited to 5 consecutive days.
7. IEP may require the group to post a bond.

Group Activities

Environmental protection:

1. Port-a-potties are required for all group activities.
2. No cutting of live trees.
3. All State fire regulations must be followed.
4. Construct waterbars in all trails over five percent grade so water runs off trails.
5. Smooth any ruts and spread grass seed on any trails that have exposed soil or vegetation removed at completion of activity. IEP can provide grass seed mix.

Maintenance and cleanup:

1. Clean up all litter and garbage and haul it out.
2. Restore campsites to previous condition or better.
3. Remove all signs used for event.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support in protecting IEP private timberlands.

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Quality Services, Inc.
Information: (208) 623-2539 or
Toll free: 1-866-437-7711
To report vandalism: 1-866-437-7722

Maps are available for download at website:
www.iepco.com or www.quality-service-inc.com

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