

# Spring Mountain Ranch State Park

## Commercial/Recreational Photography Information Sheet



Thank you for choosing Spring Mountain Ranch State Park for your photography. Like all recreational activities in the park, there are some guidelines and restrictions photographers need to follow while taking photographs:

**RECREATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY:** We understand that many photographers use the park for recreational purposes, even if they are professional photographers taking photos for artistic or personal use. Like other recreational pursuits within the park, we need to regulate photography so as to preserve the park's historical and scenic resources, as well as to protect the public's health and safety. For that reason, we require that recreational photographers pay all appropriate park fees, not trespass onto closed or restricted areas (such as the ranch house lawn or historical area), not block roadways or walkways, not climb trees or disturb park resources, or otherwise interfere with the normal use and enjoyment of the park by other visitors. Per State Park Policy #00-4, we have designated the picnic area lawn and behind the ranch house as designated spaces for artists. *If you would like to use a closed or restricted area for your photographic pursuits, or are engaged in photography for financial gain, you will need to get a photo permit.*

**COMMERCIAL PHOTOGRAPHY:** If you are taking photos for commercial purposes as defined by NAC 407.0071, you **must** obtain a photography permit from the park. You will also need to provide proof of general liability insurance and endorse the State of Nevada as an additional insured on a separate endorsement per State of Nevada Risk Management. Insurance coverage cannot be waived under any circumstances due to current state law. For more information on commercial photography permits, you may view Nevada State Park's photography policy online at:

<http://parks.nv.gov/wpcontent/uploads/2009/10/photopolicy.pdf> or scan the QR code below for the policy and an application.

Photo permits are also required for use of closed areas, before or after normal park hours, or any photography that interferes with the public's normal use and enjoyment of the park.

**NAC 407.0071 "Commercial photography" defined. (NRS 407.0475, 407.065) "Commercial photography" means photography engaged in for financial gain, including, without limitation, the sale of a photographic image as a product or for use in advertising, motion pictures, television productions or portfolios and the archiving of an image by a person who uses photographic skills, equipment or resources to provide a photographic product for sale. (Added to NAC by Div. of St. Parks by R164-97, eff. 3-1-98)**



### SPRING MOUNTAIN RANCH STATE PARK GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Visitors may not enter closed or restricted areas without park supervision or written permission:
  - Please keep off the ranch house lawn.
  - The historical area is closed unless during a supervised tour by park staff or volunteers
  - Lake Harriet is home to the endangered Pahrump Poolfish. No swimming or disturbing of this sensitive wildlife habitat is allowed.
  - Visitors must stay on designated park trails and roads due to the sensitive historical and natural resources.
  - No climbing or hanging from trees. Many of them are 200-300 years old and are extremely fragile.
2. Due to acoustics in Red Rock Canyon, amplified music or instruments, DJs, PA systems, loud stereos, and other such devices are not allowed under any circumstances during normal park hours.
3. Use of the concession building, stage area, event lawn, pastures, or event parking lot is not allowed without special use permit. For special use details, please contact the park for guidelines and requirements.
4. No tent or pole stakes are allowed in the lawn area. Recreational items of a non-personal nature, including but not limited to: dunk tanks, climbing walls, trampolines, or bounce houses are not allowed.
5. No water balloons or piñatas are permitted in the park. All litter must be picked up immediately.
6. Pets must be on a leash no longer than 6 feet and under control at all times. Owners are responsible to clean up waste.
7. Entrance fees are required of all visitors prior to entering the park
8. Park hours are posted at the entrance. After hours use is prohibited without prior permission
9. Gathering of wood or plants is prohibited. All visitors must bring their own charcoal and keep fires in the grill provided. No ground fires are allowed.
10. All decorations must be removed prior to leaving and litter picked up and disposed of.
11. Alcohol is allowed, however all state laws are enforced by Law Enforcement Rangers
12. All lawful orders given by park staff during your visit must be followed.
13. This is only a partial list of park rules. For a complete list, or more information, please contact the park office at (702) 875-4141