
Approved:	<i>original approved by Christine Houghton, Director, Visitor Services Branch, BC Parks, Ministry of Environment</i>
Effective Date:	28-June-2011
Relationship to Previous Policy:	This policy replaces all previous policy regarding permit expiration

Park Use Permits

Permit Expiration

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to clearly state when park use permits and resource use permits issued under the *Park Act* are considered to have expired.

Scope

This policy applies to park use permits and resource use permits (PUPs) within parks, protected areas, conservancies and recreation areas. Ecological reserve permits and permits for operation of campgrounds and BC Parks' facilities are not addressed by this policy.

Definitions

“**expiry**” means the termination of a permit which has come to the end of its term

“**park use permit**” means a licence, issued under the *Park Act*, authorizing an activity or a course of behaviour or conduct, or the occupancy, use, development, exploitation or extraction of a natural resource on or in a park

“**resource use permit**” means a licence, issued under the *Park Act*, authorizing an activity or a course of behaviour or conduct, or the occupancy, use, development, exploitation, or extraction of a natural resource on or in recreation area

“**term**” means a fixed and definite period of time during which a permit is issued or the period of time between the start of the commencement date and the end of the expiration date

“**termination**” means an ending to the permit at or before the end of the anticipated term which may be due to natural expiration, mutual agreement or cancellation by the Province.

Policy

1.1.1 Expiry of a Permit

Expiry of a park use permit or resource use permit (PUP) occurs when the ‘expiration date’ of the PUP has been reached. The expiration date will clearly be stated in the permit document.

1.1.2 Permits Allowed to Expire

PUPs are allowed to expire where:

- the permit is non-renewable (e.g. short term); or
- the Permittee did not wish to renew their permit (no application for renewal received).

If an application for renewal of a PUP is received prior to the expiration date, the permit will not be allowed to expire.

1.1.3 No Renewal of Permit upon Expiry

Once the expiration date of the PUP has passed, a new application for a PUP must be made. All past indebtedness to the Province must be paid before a new application will be considered. Issuance of a new PUP is at the discretion of BC Parks.

1.1.4 Continuation of Rights Under Other Legislation

Other licenses or permits held by the Permittee and issued under other legislation (e.g. *Wildlife Act*) remain valid upon the expiry of a PUP held in conjunction with those licenses/permits; however, rights under those licenses/permits may not be exercised within a park unless the Permittee holds a valid and subsisting PUP.

APPROVED AMENDMENTS:

Effective Date:	Summary of Changes:
YYYY-MM-DD	