

Colorado Rock Art Association

Field Trip Policies and Procedures

Participants' responsibilities: Participants on CRAA field trips must follow the CAS Code of Ethics, CRAA Code of Ethics and CRAA field trip policies as well as all local, state, and national antiquities laws and act as responsible members of the organization. Trip leaders' decisions are final and participants must respect those decisions. You are responsible for your own safety.

Archaeological ethics: Do not enter onto private land without permission. Do not collect artifacts or conduct excavation unless the work is done in conjunction with a legal archeological project. Do not touch, disturb or damage associated archaeology.

Posting of photos and location of sites: If you plan to share photos or information about sites on the internet or other social media, remove any indication of location including GPS coordinates or identifying features. To protect the identity of other participants ask permission to use their photo before putting it on social media.

Trip registration: Field trip registration is open to current paid CRAA members. If the trip is not filled by members the trips may be opened to other CAS chapters. Before the trip the Leader should provide information about the trip including itinerary, costs, contact information, maps, history of the area, ideas for lodging and supplies participants should bring.

Fees: Participation in field trips may require fees such as entrance fees to archaeological and historic sites, guide fees, campground fees etc. The trip leader will indicate required fees when advertising field trips. If the participant cancels after paying the fees there may or may not be a refund of those fees.

Pets: Unless otherwise authorized by the trip leader, pets are not allowed on field trips. Service animals, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities act, are exempt from this rule.

Staying together as a group: Participants must remain in close proximity for the safety and consideration of the group. Inform the trip leader in advance if your plans deviate and you must leave the group for any reason. If you have difficulty keeping up with the group, notify the leader and agree on a course of action.

Special physical needs: Trip leaders will provide necessary information for participants to decide if trip is appropriate for their physical abilities. In rare instances the trip leader may feel that someone does not have the ability to meet the physical demands of a trip. The trip leader and participant will make a decision whether that person should attempt the trip.

Carpooling: Some archaeological sites have limited parking and participants will be asked to carpool. Trip leaders are not responsible for arranging carpools. Participants who carpool with

another member are expected to reimburse that member for their share of vehicle expense. If you carpool with another person you do so at your own risk. Drivers are required to have appropriate insurance and the necessary special equipment and skills to drive off road in remote areas. Neither the trip leader nor the organization is responsible for any damage to vehicles.

Caravanning: While caravanning, maintain sight contact with the vehicle ahead of and behind you. Stop at any turnoff or fork and stay at that spot until you are certain the driver of the vehicle behind you knows the route.

In the event of misbehavior: If members behave inappropriately on a field trip, such as exhibiting rude behavior, tampering with archaeological artifacts or sites, or not staying with the group, the trip leader may determine that those persons cannot participate in the remaining activities of that field trip. The trip leader will tell the offending participants, with witnesses from the remaining people on the trip, that they will not be able to participate further in the rest of the field trip. The leader's decision is final. The trip leader will report the incident to the CRAA board which will take the appropriate action. The leader has the discretion to not accept someone on the trip who has exhibited misbehavior in the past.

No controlled substances allowed: Alcohol and marijuana or other controlled substances are not allowed on field trips except in camp or in town after the field trip and only then if such consumption is allowed under applicable local, state and federal laws. Consumption of controlled substances will not be allowed at any archaeological or historical site including in vehicles on the way to or from sites.

Release and Waiver : Participants will be required to sign a release and waiver form. By signing the form participants agree that they have read it and agree to comply with all field trip policies and procedures.

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