



DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL  
DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION

**Annual Professional Photography Permit**  
**Professional Photography Permit Fee \$150**  
**Permit Expires:**

Business Name:		Contact Person:	
Phone:	Fax:	Email:	Website:
Photographer's Name(s):	1.	2.	3.
Address:		City/State/Zip:	

Definitions:

1. **Professional Photography** shall be defined as photographs taken by a photographer in a professional capacity for a session and image purchase fee, by salary or through the display, resale or use of those photographs.

Permit Conditions:

1. This permit grants access to state park areas open to the general public.
2. This permit gives authorization to a photography business for up to three (3) individual photographers.
3. Photographer shall have permit available for inspection when photographing in Delaware State Parks.
4. Photographer and those accompanying said photographer shall follow all state park rules and regulations.
5. Vehicles entering the park during fee season (March 1 to November 30) must pay the park entrance fee. This permit is for photography only and does not guarantee entrance during regular or peak seasons.
6. This permit does not grant exclusive use of any area within state parks.
7. Use of areas or indoor venues available to the general public may not be available to photographer unless special arrangements are made in advance with the park. Additional fees may apply.
8. Use of drones, videography, audio recording, or use of excessive props, actors and/or models may require a special use permit or be restricted from certain park areas due to the impact on the natural resource and/or park visitor experience. Contact the state park office if any of the above are being brought into the park.
9. Division reserves the right to close any area of the park from photography use at any time.
10. Proof of a Delaware business license is required when applying for the photography permit.
11. The State of Delaware has required minimum standards for all photographer(s) conducting business with State agencies. A Certificate of Insurance must be submitted with your application. Photographer(s) shall provide the minimum insurance coverage as listed below:
  - a. Commercial General Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$2,000,000 aggregate  
and
  - b. Automotive Liability Insurance – proof of insurance covering all automotive units used in the work (includes bodily injury and property damage to others),  
and
  - c. The photographer(s) shall maintain such insurance as will protect against claims under the Worker's Compensation Act and from any other claims for damages for personal injury, including death, which may arise from operations under this permit. (Note: this is not applicable if photographer has no hired employees)

The photographer(s) is an independent contractor and is not an employee of the State of Delaware.

All contractors must carry (a), (b) and (c).

The certificate holder shall be listed as follows:

**State of Delaware  
Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control  
Division of Parks and Recreation/Professional Photography Permit  
89 Kings Hwy  
Dover, DE 19901**

**Note: The State of Delaware shall NOT be named as an additional insured.**

**Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions.**

- 12. Photographer expressly agrees to hold the State of Delaware, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control and the Division of Parks and Recreation and its employees harmless from any and all claims arising out of any violation by photographer of any law, rule, regulation or order and from any and all claims for loss, damage or injury to persons or property of any nature arising from the negligence or carelessness of its employees while on park property.
- 13. The Division reserves the right to terminate this permit for any violation without refund to the photographer.
- 14. Dune and restricted beach access is prohibited. For dune and restricted beach access, please contact park office for a Special Use Permit.

***I have read and understand the provisions for specified photography and agree any violation of state park rules and regulations under Title 7 Chapter 47 of the Delaware Code may result in the revocation or suspension of this permit.***

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Application Submission:**

Permit application, business license and insurance certificate shall be submitted via email to: [Parks\\_OBS@Delaware.gov](mailto:Parks_OBS@Delaware.gov)

**-OR-**

Submit your application, business license and insurance certificate to:

Delaware State Parks/OBS Photography

89 Kings Highway

Dover, DE 19901

***Credit card payments are preferred.*** You will be contacted via phone for credit card payment. If paying by check, please include a certified check with your mailed application.

**Official Use Only**

Amount Paid/Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method

Receipt No: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit Issued By: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card  Check

Permit No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_