



## Help protect these special places

Report any cases of wildlife harassment, illegal landings, suspicious aircraft, or other illegal activities to Park Wardens:

1-780-852-3100 OR 1-877-852-3100 (TOLL FREE)

For more information or to apply for permits:

Parks Canada Western Arctic Field Unit PO Box 1840 81 Kingmingya Road Inuvik, NWT X0E 0T0 867-777-8800



## Flying In and Around

NATIONAL PARKS AND NATIONAL HISTORIC SITES in Canada's Western Arctic









## Respect Wildlife

In Canada it is unlawful to operate aircraft in or near national parks and national historic sites in a manner that disturbs wildlife.

- If an aircraft causes an animal to move, flee, or shows signs of distress, then it is too close.
- Never circle, chase, hover over, dive bomb, or pursue wildlife.
- Whenever possible, minimize the amount of time circling before landing.
- Do not alter the flight path to approach wildlife, and avoid flying directly over animals or marine life.
- Caribou calving grounds should be avoided whenever possible.
- Avoid congregations of animals.
- Transport Canada recommends that overflights should be conducted at least 2000 ft AGL over National Parks and Historic Sites, except for landings, take-offs, or when required for safety.

- Maintain an altitude of 3500 ft AGL above bird sanctuaries and areas with bird concentrations (colonies or moulting areas).
- Plan routes that minimize flights over habitats likely to have birds and avoid sensitive areas such as seabird colonies, breeding colonies, moulting areas and raptor nesting sites.

## Permits Are Required

Aircraft landings are restricted in national parks, and Aircraft Access Permits are required prior to landing.

- To apply for a landing permit please contact the Western Arctic Field Unit using the information provided in this brochure.
- Aircraft Access Permits are not to be used for wildlife viewing, filming, or photography.
  Separate permits are required for these activities.
- All commercial aircraft companies planning to operate in the national parks must also possess a National Parks Business License
- Use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs, drones) are only permitted for limited commercial and research purposes.
  A permit is required.