



# PHOTOGRAPHY

Moments...Inspired by Nature

## Commercial Photography Permit Policy

(Approved copy must be with photographer while on premises)

Thank you for considering the Miami County Park District (MCPD) as a location for your photos. The policies below relate to all guests, but a Commercial Photography Permit is required for those who wish to use MCPD property for commercial photography and for profit. We are dedicated to preserving our park locations as a valuable resource to the public in this area and ask that all photographers help by adhering to the policies below. We encourage you to take pictures while visiting the park - to preserve your memories and to share on social media.

### A permit is required if the photographer:

- ✔ Sells produced images
- ✔ Uses imagery for advertisement
- ✔ Is paid for services while on MCPD property
- ✔ Uses props or equipment which might interfere with programs or park visitors

### A permit is not required for:

- ✔ Personal use
- ✔ Special occasion photography/videography
- ✔ Members of news media

### Photography Policies:

- 1) Standard Miami County Park District rules & regulations for park use apply.
- 2) Permits can be obtained from & submitted to the MCPD Administration Office at Lost Creek Reserve. Non-refundable payment is due upon approval and prior to use. Office Hours are M-F, 8am-4pm. Non-refundable payments can be made via cash, check, or credit card.
- 3) All film and photography projects conducted by businesses and by persons for profit-making purposes must have applied for, received, and paid for a Commercial Photography Permit to conduct projects on MCPD property.
- 4) No permits will be granted for projects which conflict with scheduled MCPD programs and events. For annual permits, it is the responsibility of the permit holder to check the master calendar with the MCPD office before their visit. MCPD staff reserve the right to reject applications or require change of location if interference with normal park operation occurs.
- 5) No permitted film or photography project may impede access to public areas to other park visitors/users unless exclusive access has been specifically outlined in the permit request and approved by MCPD. Also, no person in the park shall move or remove any MCPD property, including natural features and plants.
- 6) Vehicles are to stay in public parking lots and are not permitted on trails or in areas normally restricted to visitors unless access has been specifically outlined in the permit request and approved by MCPD.
- 7) Permit holders may not impact off-trail areas at MCPD which are normally off-limits to visitors, including buildings and equipment, unless permission has been specifically outlined in the permit request and approved by MCPD.
- 8) Equipment and props cannot be left unattended while on MCPD property. MCPD will not be liable for any equipment or props brought into the parks and will not be responsible to help with transportation, unless permission has been specifically outlined in the permit and approved by MCPD. All people involved with the shoot must be appropriately clothed/dressed for the public park setting.
- 9) Any film or photos that include MCPD signage or logos require approval by the MCPD Executive Director.
- 10) Drone photography is not permitted - contact the MCPD Executive Director for special permission.

