Wilderness Canoeing Regulations

1. The canoe permit must be carried by the group leader, who is responsible for the entire party.
2. Parties must launch before 10:00 am to ensure that the overnight stop is reached before dark.
3. Each canoe party must register when entering and leaving the swamp.
4. Pets and swimming are not permitted in the swamp.
5. Motors of any kind are not permitted on canoe trips.
6. Keep trails free from litter. Please carry out any litter you generate.
7. Firearms and other weapons are prohibited. No hunting.
8. All flora and fauna in the swamp are protected. Do not feed or harass any animals or pick plants.
9. Follow exactly the route on your permit. Do not stray from assigned trail. Only one party per stop allowed.
10. You must remain at the designated overnight area between sunset and sunrise.
11. Open fires are permitted only at Canal Run, and Floyd's Island.
12. Portable toilets with disposable bags are required.
13. Portable camp stoves are required for cooking.
14. All licenses, permits, equipment, and effects, including vehicles and canoes are subject to inspection by state and federal officers.
15. All state, federal and county laws regarding alcohol consumption are strictly enforced.
16. Any additions or changes to permits must be completed prior to departure.
17. Entrance fees are included in the Overnight canoeing permit.

Unauthorized commercial guiding and outfitting is strictly prohibited. Click here for guiding regulations.

NOTE: Parking placards showing your permit number must be displayed on dash of all vehicles you leave parked overnight at any refuge entrance.