

FILM PERMIT REGULATIONS

MARIN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- This information sheet pertains to Department of Public Works (DPW) permits for filming on County-maintained roads. For other County filming permits:** Contact Parks & Open Space at (415) 473-6387 for filming at County Parks; contact the Community Development Agency at (415) 473-6269 and CDA Code Enforcement at (415) 473-7875 for filming at the County Civic Center, County property or filming with helicopters. The cost of a Helicopter Permit is \$250 per day.
- Permits from agencies other than County of Marin:** Applicant is responsible for acquiring any required permitting from other agencies to include, but not limited to; Cal-Trans, Mt. Tamalpais State Park, Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Point Reyes National Seashore, Tomales Bay State Park, Marin Municipal Water District, and North Marin Municipal Water District. Check area maps of the intended filming locations to see if any other agencies may have jurisdiction, and contact the agency to determine their permitting requirements.
- DPW Permits and Fees:** A Film and Encroachment Permit must be obtained from DPW for filming on County roads. Film permit applications must be submitted a minimum of three days in advance of requested dates of filming. The filming fee is \$500 per day plus a one-time encroachment fee of \$256.77. Permit shall be kept at the site. DPW: (415) 473-6530 DPW FAX: (415) 473-3799
- Highway Patrol Required:** When filming on County roads, traffic control must be provided by the California Highway Patrol (CHP). The film company must contract for these services directly with the CHP and pay any necessary fees. CHP (CORTE MADERA): (415) 924-1100.
- Insurance:** The filming company must furnish insurance coverage for liability, bodily injury and property damage in an amount not less than \$1,000,000, naming the County of Marin as additional insured. This amount may be increased if dictated by special circumstances.
- Time Restrictions:** Filming on the following roads is not allowed on weekdays between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and between 3:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.: Gate 6 Road, Lucas Valley Road, Nicasio Valley Road, Novato Boulevard, Fallon Rd., Panoramic Highway, Paradise Drive, Platform Bridge Road, Pt. Reyes-Petaluma Road, Sir Francis Drake Boulevard. Special signing is required for filming on Bear Valley Road during the above hours. Time constraints may be applied to other roads under special circumstances. No filming is allowed during weekends on Bear Valley Rd., Pierce Pt. Rd., and Sir Francis Drake Blvd. past Inverness.
- Special arrangements must be made when filming at the following locations:** The village areas of Tomales, Pt. Reyes Station, Bolinas or Nicasio; within six miles of Marshall on Marshall-Petaluma Road; on Greensburg or Whiteplains; in Kent Woodlands; in other densely populated areas. Local contact persons are:

BOLINAS: Bolinas Fire Chief (Anita Brown) 868-1566; BCPUD, Jennifer Blackman (415)868-1224
FAIRFAX-BOLINAS RD: MMWD, Laurie Offenbach (415) 945-1180 (loffebach@marinwater.org)
MARSHALL: Lori Kyle (510) 666-0069. (East Shore Planning Group)
NICASIO: Rocky Shone (415) 662-2016 rockyandmarcy@aol.com (Nicasio Landowners Assn. Pres.)
TOMALES: (707) 879-8484, info@tomalesfilmcommission.com
OTHER AREAS: Kent Woodlands, Jeanne Williams (415) 721-7429 williams@kwpoa.com ;
Greensburg and Whiteplains contact Carolyn at (415) 250-6264 carolyn@goodmanmarketing.com
When filming within Pt. Reyes Nat'l Seashore: Kevin Mc Kay (415) 464-5111 kevin_mckay@nps.gov
Check with DPW staff on special requirements.
- Wetting of the roadway** is allowed only on condition that the CHP remains onsite until they deem the road safe for passage. Wetting of the road is not allowed if freezing temperatures are imminent.
- Traffic and private property:** The filming company must take all necessary measures to ensure that the filming activities do not unreasonably impede the flow of vehicular traffic, restrict access to public or private property, or damage public or private property.
- Refunds:** If the permit is cancelled, \$70.00 will be refunded on the encroachment permit and all but \$100.00 on the film permit, subject to verification of cancellation from the California Highway Patrol.

STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR FILMING ON COUNTY ROADS

1. Traffic control shall be approved by DPW and carried out by the California Highway Patrol.
2. Two lanes of traffic shall be kept open at all times except for short intervals not to exceed three minutes.
3. Access for ranchers and farmers to their agricultural lands shall be maintained at all times.
4. Standard traffic signs should be erected at each end of the project and they should consist of C9R-1 (Flagman Ahead) and C227 (Men and Equipment): these signs to be supplied by the film producers.
5. There shall be a set of short wave radios at the site for traffic control.
6. This permit allows no waiver of the California Vehicle Code or Marin County Code Title 15, Traffic.
7. This permit is for filming only and the only props allowed are cars. No special effects are allowed unless specifically permitted below.
8. All equipment, props, debris, litter, etc., shall be removed at the end of the last day of filming.
9. No material shall be stored within eight (8) feet of the edge of pavement or traveled way or within the shoulder line where the shoulders are wider than eight feet.
10. Any damage to the existing roadway or structures due to filming operations under this permit shall be restored to original condition by the permittee.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. WETTING OF THE ROADWAY: Allowed ONLY upon condition that the California Highway Patrol remains onsite until they deem the roadway safe for passage of vehicles. Wetting of the roadway is NOT allowed if freezing temperatures are imminent.
2. RESTRICTED FILMING HOURS: Filming on the following roads is not allowed between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and between 3:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday:

Gate 6 Road
Bear Valley Road
Fallon-Two Rock Road
Lucas Valley Road
Nicasio Valley Road
Novato Boulevard
Panoramic Highway
Paradise Drive
Platform Bridge Road
Pt. Reyes-Petaluma Road
Sir Francis Drake Blvd. between San Rafael and Inverness
Bollinas Area: Permission from Fire Department and the BCPUD required if filming outside of 8:00AM through 5:00PM.

Filming on the following roads is not allowed on the weekends:

Bear Valley Road
Pierce Point Road
Sir Francis Drake Blvd (entire length)