

2011 Outdoor Challenge for Children Official Rules

1. Participants must be younger than 18 years-old.
2. Print the checklist of outdoor activities, the entry form, including the Photographer Release and Model Release forms.
3. Each participant must take a book to a state park. READ all or some of it while at the park. Take a photo of the participant with the book at the park.
4. Each participant must also complete five more of the outdoor activities on the checklist. A photo must be submitted with each of the five activities.
5. Participants may complete more than five activities but only one prize will be earned.
6. Digital photographs must be a minimum resolution of 1024x768 (or higher) pixels. Formats that are accepted are .jpg, .gif, .bmp, .eps, .psd and .tif.
7. Photographs must be color. Photographs may be either vertical or horizontal.
8. Please name the photos using the following pattern:
Park Name_challenge_participant name_activity title
Example: Honeymoon Island_challenge_Joe Smith_hiking
9. Photos must be taken at a Florida state park or on its waters.
10. Minor digital enhancements for cropping, red-eye removal, filters and corrective functions are permitted, but images that have been altered significantly will be disqualified. Contestants are not permitted to place borders, frames or backgrounds around their images or to place watermarks, dates, signatures or copyright images onto photos.
11. Participants must pay the day-use entry fee to the state parks they visit. Prices vary. Most parks range from \$5 to \$10 per vehicle, up to eight occupants. Camping and other activities are an additional fee.
12. Each entry submitted must be accompanied by the Checklist and Entry Form. The Photographer Release form grants the Florida Department of Environmental Protection the royalty-free and nonexclusive right to distribute, publish and use the photograph(s) in publications to promote Florida's state parks and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. A model release must be submitted for each recognizable person in the photo. A parent or guardian must consent for people under 18 years old.
13. Photographs might be published on the web, used in social media or shared with news media. Full names will not be shared.
14. There are two ways to submit entries. Please do not send prints.
 - a. Contestants may email their digital photos (up to 5 MB) to Outdoor.Challenge@dep.state.fl.us. Completed forms may be scanned and emailed to the same address.
 - b. Contestants may submit photographs digitally by mail on a CD or DVD.
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15. The deadline for entries is 5:00 p.m., Friday, September 30, 2011.
16. Participants will receive a FREE one-day pass to a Florida state park in the mail. Allow two to six weeks for delivery. A One Day Pass is good for entry into any Florida State Park, up to eight people. Except at Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park and Weeki Wachee Spring State Park, where the pass is good for two people. Does not include Skyway Fishing Pier State Park, camping or other fees.
17. Have fun!
18. Entry materials will not be returned.
19. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection has non-exclusive rights to crop registered photographs for display purposes, if necessary, and for other needs as required or as they see fit.
20. In the event that ownership of any photograph submitted to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection is contested in any manner, Florida Department of Environmental Protection reserves the right to discontinue use of said photograph and disqualify the photograph from the contest.
21. Entries that fail to comply with the Contest Rules will be disqualified.
22. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection reserves the right to change the Contest Rules as necessary.

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