



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving the 2020 Tribal Member Fishing & Camping Regulations)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (“Constitution”) provides, at Article IV, Section 1(f) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power “To protect and preserve the wildlife, plant life, forests, natural resources and... to regulate hunting and fishing on the reservation”; and

WHEREAS, The Game & Fish Department, this day, comes before the Council and requests the approval of the Draft Tribal Member Fishing and Camping Regulations for 2020 (“Member Regulations”) (attached and incorporated herein by reference); and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the regulations is to provide sustainable use of Tribal recreational and natural resources and to promote economic development; and

WHEREAS, The recreational use seasons, prices, possession limits, prohibitions and regulations contained therein are based on sound biological, business and sustainable use principles; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council finds that the Member Regulations will help the Tribe protect and preserve its wildlife while appropriately providing for outdoor recreation, and that approving them is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves and adopts the 2020 Tribal Member Fishing and Camping Regulations, as amended and incorporated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution shall be deemed null and void and have no legal effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.


Resolution No. 12-2019-245

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on **DECEMBER 4, 2019** duly adopted by a vote of **NINE** vote for, **ZERO** against, and **ZERO** abstentions by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on September 30, 1993, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman Date 12/5/19



Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary Date 12/5/19

Major Regulation Changes For 2020 Outdoor Recreation Regulations

1. Prices

- Increase the price of the 30-Day Camping Permit from **\$175.00** to **\$200.00**.
- Increase the price of the Black & Salt River Special Use Permit from **\$15.00/day** to **\$20.00/day**.
- Increase the price of Rent-A-Lake Access Permit from **\$4.00/day** to **\$5.00/day**.

2. Season Outdoor Recreation Permit

- Add a Season Outdoor Recreation Permit for **\$75.00**. The Season Outdoor Recreation Permit dates are from Mid-May through Labor Day.

3. Second Pole Permit

- The Second Pole Permit for the Salt River below U.S. 60 bridge downstream will include the Bonito Prairie Stock Tanks. The Second Pole Permit is **\$9.00/day** (including Tribal Members).

4. Non-member Spouse Annual Recreation Permit

- Non-member Spouse Annual Recreation Permit is **\$75.00** (valid for fishing, boating and general recreation)



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**2020 White Mountain Apache Tribal Member
Fishing & Camping Regulations**

Fishing Permits

Fishing permits are required for any Tribal member 10 years of age or older who will be fishing any reservation waters.

Fishing permits are free and can be picked up at the Game & Fish Offices in Whiteriver/Hon-Dah.

Individuals must bring in tribal ID or affidavit to show proof of membership of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

Permits are valid January 1st through December 31 of each year.

It is unlawful to alter permits and to possess an altered permit.

It is unlawful to use another person's permit.

Duplicate permit: A person may obtain a duplicate permit if the original is damaged, lost or stolen.

Duplicate tribal member fishing permit.....\$5.00

Fish limits

Trout (Apache, Brook, Brown and Rainbow)

Adult- Five fish per person in possession per day.

Juvenile (10-14 years old) - 3 fish per person per day.

Sub-Juvenile (9 years old & under) - 2 fish per person per day.

Bass (Largemouth and Smallmouth)

Adult- Fifteen fish per person per day.

Juvenile (10-14 yrs. old) - 8 fish per person per day.

Sub-Juvenile (9 years old & under) - 8 fish per person per day

Channel Catfish

Adult- Fifteen fish per person per day.
Juvenile (10-14 yrs. old) – 8 fish per person per day.
Sub-Juvenile (9 years old & under) – 8 fish per person per day
Sunfish, Northern Pike, Flathead Catfish and Bullhead Catfish- No Limit
Waterdogs and Crayfish – No Limit

Changes for 2020

There will be time restrictions for the public (including Tribal members that are planning on fishing Tonto Lake, from September 1 through October 10, 2020.

Drift Fence Lake and Pacheta Lake will be DAY USE ONLY from September 1st to October 10, 2020

Any Sonora Sucker, Desert Sucker and Roundtail Chub caught will need to be released back into the water as soon as possible.

Special Use Lakes

Tribal Members will need to purchase SPECIAL USE PERMITS for the following:
Christmas Tree Lake..... **\$30.00 Day per person up**
until July 4th.
After July 4th**\$25.00 Day per person**
Rental Lakes (Cyclone Lake and Hurricane Lake). Lake rental amount plus **\$5.00** per person per day.

White Mountain Apache Tribal Member Camping Permit and Regulations

Camping permits are required starting Saturday Mid-May through Labor Day.

A camping permit is required of individuals camping in a campsite at the following areas:

Big Bear Lake campsite	Hawley Lake campsite
Little Bear Lake campsite	Ditch Camp campsite
Horseshoe Lake campsite	Lower Log campsite
A-1 Lake campsite	Upper Log campsite
Sunrise Lake campsite	

No **camping permit** is required for the southeast campsite and west end campsite of the reservation.

Camping Permit Cost

Daily camping permits per vehicle.....**\$9.00/day**
30 –day camping permit per vehicle.**\$175.00**

One permit per vehicle per campsite.
Camping is allowed only in designated camping areas.