

Acknowledgement of Danger: Release and Hold Harmless Agreement
San Miguel Island (SMI)
Channel Islands National Park

(This form is subject to the Privacy Act of 1974)
Issuing Agencies—U.S. Navy & National Park Service

AUTHORITY: Federal law, including 10 USC Chapter 159 and associated regulations

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: Indicates certification by an individual or corporation to hold the U.S. Government, Department of Defense, Department of Interior, and any SMI Lessee or Lessor harmless in consideration of permission granted by the U.S. Government to visit SMI.

ROUTINE USES: Used to gain access to SMI.

DISCLOSURE IS VOLUNTARY: Failure to provide this information would result in an individual or corporation being denied access to SMI.

TERM OF PERMIT: This permit is valid for the current calendar year for SMI. Some areas may be periodically closed due to military operations.

San Miguel Island is owned by the U.S. Navy and operated by the National Park Service. There are risks inherent in visiting any wild remote place like the Channel Islands. On San Miguel there are additional risks stemming from the island's historic use as a bombing and missile test range.

To visit San Miguel Island, you must acknowledge that you have been informed of these risks and that you agree to hold the U.S. Government harmless of any liability. It is therefore important that you read the following carefully before signing:

SMI contains the danger of property damage and permanent, painful, disabling and disfiguring injury or death due to high explosive detonations from falling objects such as aircraft, aerial targets, live ammunition, missiles, bombs, etc.

SMI contains the danger of property damage and permanent, painful, disabling and disfiguring injury or death due to the presence of expended, but still live, bombs, rockets, cannon rounds, flares and other types of warheads. Unexploded munitions may be encountered anywhere within SMI: lying on the ground partially or completely buried. These munitions can still explode though they may have lain on the island for decades. I have been instructed NOT to approach or disturb any military equipment or ordnance discovered on SMI.

In addition to the risks posed by ordnance items, visitors to SMI are also exposed to any or all of the hazards that present on any of the other islands in the National Park. In signing this agreement, I agree to be sure I am informed of and that I abide by all regulations and safety precautions enumerated in park bulletins.

Upon my own initiative, therefore, and at my own risk, I accept permission to enter this area and in consideration of such permission do, for myself, my spouse, my children, my heirs, personal representatives, and assignees of the same, remise, release, and forever discharge as well as agree to indemnify and hold harmless the United States Government, any lessee therefrom, and individual officer, agent, employee, or director thereof from any claim of liability for injury, death, or property damage arising out of my usage or presence upon said San Miguel Island in accordance with permission to enter thereon.

I further affirm that I will never prosecute or assist in prosecuting any civil action against the United States Government, the U.S. Navy, the U.S. Department of Interior, or any of their agents, employees, service members, contractors, or lessees for claim or liability arising from my entry to SMI.

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Permit #
2017--

Please fill in the following:

Name (Print or Type) Date

Street Address City/State/Zip Code

Home Telephone Work Telephone

Driver's License Number State of Issuance

Each adult individual in the group must complete and sign and submit a separate HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT AND PERMIT APPLICATION. (Persons under 18 who are not traveling with a parent or guardian must have theirs signed by their parent or guardian as well.)

I, _____, have received a pamphlet with regulations and procedures for legal access to SMI. I understand that non-compliance with any state and federal laws, and SMI rules and regulations by myself, or anyone accompanied by myself, is a violation of this permit. My access may be revoked or suspended for violations or conduct inconsistent to the management goals of SMI. **I CERTIFY THAT BEFORE SIGNING BELOW, I RECEIVED, READ, AND UNDERSTAND THE HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT, SMI REGULATIONS, AND PAMPHLET.**

Signature Date

If under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian must complete the following acceptance of the above certification:

Name (Print or Type) Date

Driver's License Number State of Issuance

Signature Date

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