

Leave No Trace Principles

1. Plan ahead and prepare

Know the regulations and identify the LNT practices appropriate for your area. LNT practices in marine environments are different from practices in the desert.

2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces

Learn when to hike together and when to spread out across the tundra. And, when it's time to camp, avoid that lush bench of soft green heather and camp on the gravel bar.

3. Properly dispose of:

i. Human waste

That includes burning toilet paper or carrying it out.

ii. Cooking waste

Carry out that left-over oatmeal, but disperse or concentrate your gray water.

iii. Hunting and fishing waste

Follow ADF&G regulations and recommendations

4. Leave what you find

So that others experience the joy and wonder that you have.

5. Minimize campfires

Build fires in places where they will not leave a scar, like the gravel river bank.

6. Respect wildlife

Follow recognized practices in bear country, and maintain appropriate viewing distances.

7. Be considerate of other people

When you make camp, find a spot well off the trail so you minimize your impact on other groups.