

Professional Filmmakers Code of Conduct

TO THE INDUSTRY: Production company personnel are guests on State owned and operated property and are requested to treat State property and all its surrounding properties, as well as the public, with courtesy. Improving relationships with the local communities that host filming rewards all those involved.

The **California Film Commission** requests that you adhere to the following guidelines when filming in California:

1. When filming in a neighborhood or business district, proper notification should be provided to each merchant or resident who is directly affected by the company. This includes parking, base camps, and meal areas. The filming notice should include: *name of company *name of production *company contact *kind of production *type of activity & duration.
2. Production vehicles arriving on location in or near a residential neighborhood should not enter the area before the time stipulated in the permit, should park one by one, and turn off engines as soon as possible. Cast and crew should observe designated parking areas.
3. Do not trespass onto neighbors' or merchants' property. Please remain within the boundaries of the property that has been permitted for filming.
4. Moving or towing of the public's vehicles is prohibited without the express permission of the municipal jurisdiction or the owner.
5. Cast and crew meals should be confined to the area designated in the permit. All catering, craft service, construction, strike and personal trash must be removed from location.
6. Removing, trimming and/or cutting of vegetation or trees is prohibited unless approved by the permit authority or property owner.
7. All signs erected or removed for filming purposes will be removed or replaced upon completion of the use of that location unless otherwise stipulated in the permit.
8. Please keep all noise levels as low as possible.
9. Observe designated smoking areas and always extinguish cigarettes properly.

10. The cast and crew should not bring guests or pets to the location, unless expressly authorized in advance by the production company.
11. All sets and props should be removed upon completion of use.
12. The production company will comply with the provisions of the permit at all times.
13. Production companies will refrain from using lewd or offensive language within earshot of the general public.