

# WELCOME TO THE UPPER DELAWARE RIVER



The National Park Service invites you to enjoy this very special place now known as the Upper Delaware National Scenic and Recreational River — 73 miles of beautiful, varied landscape, and changing and challenging waterscape.

For good times on the river, remember...

**WEAR A LIFE JACKET** (personal flotation device, or PFD for short). When an accident happens it may be too late to put on your PFD. A PFD is particularly important whenever water is rough or cold; weather is threatening, children are involved, or the canoeist is a beginner.

**BE CLOTHES CONSCIOUS.** If canoeing between November and May (when most canoe liveries are closed because of cold weather, and the water is coldest) wear a wet suit or woolen clothes. Even when the air is warm, water may be cold; hypothermia is possible whenever water temperature falls below 70°F. Wear sneakers to protect feet from rocks and broken glass. Wear clothes that protect you from sunburn.

**PROTECT YOUR GEAR.** Tie down equipment not in use. Protect supplies and extra clothes in waterproof storage containers.

**RESPECT THE RIVER** and the property of people who live along it. Learn about the river before you go out on it. Take along a plastic trash bag so that you can carry out anything you carried in. Use public or commercial accesses to the river; stay off private property. Always tell someone where you are going and when you expect to return.

With the signing of the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978, 73 miles of the Delaware River along the New York/Pennsylvania border became the Upper Delaware National Scenic and Recreational River.

The most visible sign of that new status is the presence of National Park Service personnel. As you travel the valley between Hancock and Sparrow Bush, park rangers will be available to help. During the summer season, more help can be obtained at National Park Service Information Centers at these public access sites:

Damascus, PA  
Lackawaxen, PA

Skinnners Falls, NY  
Narrowsburg, NY

For further information and assistance, write or call area National Park Service offices:

Headquarters  
P.O. Box C  
Narrowsburg, NY 12764  
(717) 729-7135

Information Center  
Main Street  
Narrowsburg, NY  
914-252-3947

North District Office  
Cochecton, NY  
914-932-8218

South District Office  
Shohola, PA  
717-559-7527

UPPER DELAWARE  
RIVER CONDITIONS  
INFORMATION LINE  
914-252-7100



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