



# NATIONAL PARK TRUST<sup>SM</sup>

TREASURE FOREVER.

## BUDDY BISON<sup>®</sup> USER AGREEMENT

**Organization Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Individual Point of Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Ship to Address (if different):** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Usage Date(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Return By Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Event Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your interest in Buddy Bison and for helping National Park Trust to introduce Buddy Bison to families in your community. As you know, Buddy Bison has proven to be a wonderful ambassador to encourage children to visit, appreciate, and protect our national, state and local parks.

We are glad to loan our valuable Buddy Bison full-size costume and ice vest to your organization, but we need to have your organization's agreement on certain terms and conditions of use before we ship.

There are many loan requests for this costume, and the costume when worn by your personnel will be the recognized mascot for National Park Trust. We therefore want to be sure "Buddy Bison" is portrayed correctly, and then promptly returned to us for the next organization that wants to use Buddy Bison to promote parks.

Please sign and fax or email this signed form back to NPT at (fax) 301-279-7211 or (email) [emily@parktrust.org](mailto:emily@parktrust.org) to indicate your organization's agreement to the following:

1. Your organization will cover all shipping and insurance costs (replacement cost of **Buddy Bison is \$1,000; ice vest is \$100; blue plastic shipping box is \$30**) for us to send Buddy to you, and for you to send him back to us. We require that you ship him back to us, at the address above, by no later than the above "RETURN BY DATE" by insured priority delivery by UPS or Federal Express with a tracking number so he does not get lost!
2. Your organization's personnel (but NOT the person in the costume!) will introduce Buddy Bison at your event as the mascot of National Park Trust, a national parks charity whose mission is "preserving parks today, creating park stewards for tomorrow". Your organization personnel (but not the person in the costume!) will explain to children that Buddy Bison says "Explore Outdoors, the Parks are Yours!"

3. **Buddy Bison must wear his NPT Buddy Bison T-shirt at all times in public.** Yes, he must be fully dressed!
4. As you can tell, **BUDDY BISON DOES NOT TALK**, but he does run, skip, jump, dance and play!
5. Buddy Bison must appear in full costume at all times – no headless Buddy Bison please!. Even missing small pieces, such as the gloves, make a big impact on Buddy’s image!
6. Your organization will assure that Buddy Bison will not be used to scare children and at all times is a good ambassador for our parks.
7. Buddy Bison is happy to be photographed. You or your guests may send photos to [buddy@buddybison.org](mailto:buddy@buddybison.org) and NPT will post them on [www.buddybison.org](http://www.buddybison.org) along with a summary of your event. You can even share them with us on social media. Please refer to the Buddy Bison Mascot Guide for more information. Note: National Park Trust reserves the right to require the removal of any photos from social media platforms in which Buddy is not fully costumed.
8. Your organization will provide a **\$165 wear-and-tear donation** to National Park Trust on or before the time of shipment.
9. Since we have received numerous requests for the costume, we ask that you ship the costume back to NPT within 3 business days of your event, and in all events no later than the above “Return By” date, and send the tracking number to [emily@parktrust.org](mailto:emily@parktrust.org).
10. Your organization is responsible for the costs of repairing or replacing Buddy Bison and/or the ice vest if there is damage or loss of the costume during your use and until the costume and ice vest is physically returned to NPT’s headquarters in Rockville, Maryland. If there is damage to the costume when it arrives, you must immediately notify us in writing and if possible email a photo in order to demonstrate that the damage existed prior to your use. *Please note that the full actual replacement cost of a Buddy Bison costume is currently over \$1,000.* Please also note: Buddy’s head is paper mache and cannot be dropped!
11. Buddy Bison can only be used for your parks-related event, and cannot be used for any other purpose.

Please sign and return this form to us by fax, email or mail to indicate your agreement to these terms and conditions. We will separately confirm our agreement to ship after receipt of your agreement. Again, thank you for using Buddy Bison to bring kids to parks!

Sincerely, Grace Lee, Executive Director

ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREED  
BY THE FOLLOWING AUTHORIZED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE :

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_