



Photography Policy

Blandford Nature Center, a private non-profit, provides a beautiful backdrop for photography. We welcome the opportunity to host photographers and their clients on the grounds but we must ensure minimal interruption to paid programs and sensitive areas on the property. We invest substantial funding and effort each year to ensure the grounds and buildings are maintained. Photography membership dues and day passes directly support this effort. To maximize enjoyment and use by all of our guests, a formal photography policy has been implemented.

For the purposes of this policy, a professional photographer is defined as someone who is being paid to take photographs on Blandford Nature Center property. This includes amateur photographers acting in the role of professional photographer.

Those who wish to use Blandford Nature Center as a backdrop for their professional photography sessions are required to purchase a photography membership and register for their visit seven days in advance. Day passes are also available for purchase. All photographers must check in at the visitor center upon arrival during open hours. You must also sign an acknowledgment form regarding sensitive areas to avoid.

Photography memberships are \$100 for a year and cover one named photographer. Additional photographers from the same business may be added for \$10 each. Membership includes admission for up to 8 clients at a time. A membership card and lanyard will be issued; card must be worn at all times when working with clients on the property. Membership must be current and renewed annually.

Day passes are available for those who may need a onetime session. Day passes are \$3 a person, including the photographer and clients. Paid field trips and programs will have priority over areas in use; you may not get photos in the area you desire if you do not register in advance.

Site Use Rules and Regulations:

- Please be respectful of the property and other guests at all times.
- Parking is only permitted in the designated parking areas. The flow of visitors along driveway must not be interrupted.
- Photographers and clients need to stay on the trail to avoid damaging sensitive habitat areas.
- Plants, decorations, plant markers, rocks, water features, and benches can be included in pictures but must not be moved.
- No props are permitted without prior approval from Nature Center staff.
- Changing in restrooms is permitted, however all parties must be respectful of other guests' needs.
- Appropriate clothing must be worn at all times.



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- No smoking or drinking is allowed on the property.

Blandford Nature Center staff reserve the right to approach anyone conducting a photography shoot to enforce this policy.

This policy applies to photographers on the grounds during all open hours, from dawn until dusk. Photography after public hours has the same fees and restrictions. There is no availability of public restrooms after public hours.