



ACCESS AND USE OF NATIONAL PARK SERVICE (NPS) – BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY LANDS RELATED TO HUNTING:

- HUNTING IS PROHIBITED ON ALL BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY LANDS.
- **828-348-3473** (Dog Retrieval Permission) – Permission must be obtained to track dogs from Parkway lands for the purpose of retrieving them within Parkway boundaries. Permission is granted for up to **3hrs** upon contacting 828-348-3473 and leaving hunter contact information. Call and retrieval must occur within the same **3hr** period.
 - Other than retrieval, as stated above, the use of telemetry, GPS or other tracking devices to monitor running dogs is prohibited on Blue Ridge Parkway lands.
- Hunters may park their vehicle in a safe location on Parkway lands, preferably in established parking areas and pull-outs, and take a direct route to non-Parkway lands open to hunting.
- Dogs must be on a leash no longer than 6 feet at all times on Blue Ridge Parkway lands.
- **828-298-2491** (Parkway Dispatch) - Any transport of game across Blue Ridge Parkway lands requires a notification call to Blue Ridge Parkway Dispatch prior to action.

LEGAL REFERENCES:

36 CFR section 2.1- Preservation of natural and cultural and archeological resources: [eCFR :: 36 CFR 2.1 -- Preservation of natural, cultural and archeological resources.](#)

36 CFR section 2.4- Weapons, traps and nets: [eCFR :: 36 CFR 2.4 -- Weapons, traps and nets.](#)

36 CFR 1.5- Closures, Public Use Limits:

<https://www.nps.gov/blri/learn/management/compendium-cfr-1-5.htm>

36 CFR section 2.2- Wildlife Protection:

<https://www.nps.gov/blri/learn/management/compendium-cfr-2-2.htm>

Virginia Laws Digest:

<https://dwr.virginia.gov/hunting/regulations/publiclands/#nationalparks>

<https://dwr.virginia.gov/hunting/regulations/general/#hunting-with-dogs>

<https://dwr.virginia.gov/hunting/regulations/general/#definitions>