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strike or otherwise cause damage to any underwater feature.

(2) All watercraft, carrying passengers, for hire, shall comply with applicable regulations and laws of the U.S. Coast Guard and Territory of the Virgin Islands.

(3) Anchoring will only be permitted in emergency situations to protect life and property.

(4) Anchoring shall only be permitted from 48 hours prior to landfall of the hurricane to 48 hours following passage of the hurricane.

(5) No lines or ropes shall be attached to mangroves or other shoreline vegetation.

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§ 7.47 Carlsbad Caverns National Park.

(a) *Cave entry.* (1) With the exception of the regular trips into Carlsbad Caverns under the guidance or supervision of employees of the National Park Service, no person shall enter any cave or undeveloped part or passage of any cave without a permit.

(2) *Permits.* The Superintendent may issue written permits for cave entry without escort only to persons engaged in scientific or educational investigations. The Superintendent shall approve issuance of a permit provided:

(i) That the investigation planned will have demonstrable value to the National Park Service in its management or understanding of park resources, and

(ii) That the permit applicant is adequately equipped and experienced so as to ensure the protection and preservation of park resources.

(3) *Solo exploration.* Solo exploration or investigation is not permitted in any cave or undeveloped part or passageway of any cave within the park.

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§ 7.48 Lake Mead National Recreation Area.

(a) *Aircraft, designated airstrips.* (1)(i) The entire water surface of Lakes Mead and Mohave are designated landing areas, except as restricted in § 2.17 of this chapter.

(ii) Aircraft may not be operated under power on those water surface

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areas designated as special anchorages, including fairways, as defined in 33 CFR 110.127.

(2) Temple Bar landing strip, located at approximate latitude 36°01' N., approximate longitude 114°20' W.

(3) Pearce Ferry landing strip, located at approximate latitude 30°04'37" N., approximate longitude 114°02'44" W.

(4) Cottonwood landing strip located at approximate latitude 35°29' N., approximate longitude 114°40' W.

(5) [Reserved]

(6) Echo Bay landing strip located at approximate latitude 36°19' N., approximate longitude 114°27' W.

(b) *Powerless flight.* The use of devices designed to carry persons through the air in powerless flight is allowed except in harbors, swim beaches, developed areas, and in other locations designated as closed to this activity.

(c) *Parking.* Vehicles or boat trailers, or vehicle/boat trailer combinations, may be left unattended for periods up to 7 days, when parked in parking areas adjacent to designated boat launching sites, without written permission obtained in advance from the superintendent. Any vehicle or boat trailer or vehicle/boat trailer combination which is left in parking areas adjacent to designated boat launching sites in excess of 7 days without written permission obtained in advance from the superintendent may be impounded by the superintendent.

(d) *Fishing.* Unless otherwise designated, fishing in a manner authorized under applicable State law is allowed.

(e) The Superintendent may exempt motor vessels participating in a regatta that has been authorized by permit issued by the Superintendent from the noise level limitations imposed by § 3.7 of this chapter.

(f) *Personal Watercraft.* (1) A person may launch and operate a personal watercraft in park waters or beach a personal watercraft on park lands, except in the following areas:

(i) In the designated Primitive area known as the Gypsum Beds, which is described as Arizona T31N; R20W Portions of sections 2, 3, 10 and 11; and

(ii) In the designated Primitive area known as the Virgin River, which is described as Nevada T36N; R68E Portions of Sections 25, 26, 34, 35, 36; and