

## Parks, Reserves, National Monuments, etc. H 1925

**BACKGROUND:** *Most of the provisions for formulating and qualifying geographic names, presented in H 690 and H 810, apply also to names of parks. There are certain aspects of parks, however, that require special provisions not applicable to other types of geographic features. This instruction sheet presents these special provisions for formulating, qualifying, and providing references for names of parks. It also discusses various special provisions for assigning names of parks, and entities within parks, as subject headings. For instructions on constructing and assigning headings for regions based on geographic features, including parks, see H 760. For instructions on establishing names of dwellings with extensive grounds, such as National Trust properties, see H 1572.*

*The term **park** is used in this instruction sheet in the generic sense to include the following types of entities:*

*Public and private parks of any type  
Nature conservation areas, natural areas, natural history  
reservations, nature reserves  
Wild areas, wilderness areas, roadless areas  
Forest reserves and preserves  
Seashores, marine parks and reserves, wild and scenic rivers, national rivers  
Wildlife refuges, bird reservations and sanctuaries, game ranges and preserves,  
wildlife management areas  
Historic sites, national monuments, etc.  
Indian reservations and reserves  
Amusement parks  
Gardens  
Trails, etc.*

*Until 2005, headings for entities of the above types were established as subject headings tagged **151** unless they were needed as descriptive access points. In the latter case, they were established as name headings but followed subject cataloging conventions as to the tagging and form of the headings. Beginning in 2005, a new practice was adopted. A heading for a park as a physical entity is now established only as a subject heading, never as a name heading. It is tagged **151** and qualified according to the provisions in this instruction sheet. A heading that is needed as a descriptive access point for a park as a corporate entity is established as a separate name heading, tagged **110** and qualified by the term (**Agency**) and further geographic qualifier if needed. For example, the following pairs of headings could potentially exist:*

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### **BACKGROUND:** (Continued)

<i>Subject heading:</i>	151 ## Yellowstone National Park
<i>Name heading:</i>	110 2# Yellowstone National Park (Agency : U.S.)
<i>Subject heading:</i>	151 ## Yosemite National Park (Calif.)
<i>Name heading:</i>	110 2# Yosemite National Park (Agency : U.S.)

*The subject heading is never valid for use as a name heading, but the name heading is valid for use either as a name heading or as a subject heading that may be assigned to a work that is about the agency that administers the park.*

### **1. Establishing headings for parks.**

**a. Formulating the heading.** Establish a heading for a park directly under its own name in the vernacular of the country in which it is located, unless the park is so well known that it appears in a conventional English form in most English-language reference sources. Use the form of name found to be in predominant usage after doing authority research. If the vernacular form cannot be found in the work cataloged or in readily available reference sources, establish the heading "provisionally," as described in H 1334, sec. 2.d.(3). Qualify the heading in accordance with the general rules for qualifying geographic features (see H 810). Tag the heading **151**.

**National parks.** If, according to the above guidelines, a heading for a nationally owned and administered park or reserve is to be established in the vernacular, establish it in the vernacular of the country as a whole, even if it is located in a republic or province where another language prevails. If the country recognizes more than one official language, and one of them is English, establish the park in English. For example, establish Canadian national parks located in Québec in English rather than French.

**Wilderness areas.** Establish headings for wilderness areas in the form [...] **Wilderness** ([*geographic qualifier*]).

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*b. Used for references (451 fields).* Add 451 fields for any variant forms found. If an English form is found in any source, but the heading is still being established in the vernacular, add a 451 field for the English form. If the park name has a generic term in the initial position, also add a 451 field from the inverted form with the proper name in the initial position. Omit this field, however, if any of the 451 fields in straight order begin with the same word. If the initial words of a park consist of a forename and surname, also add a 451 field with the surname in the initial position. *Examples:*

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151 ## $a Parque Nacional El Avila (Venezuela)
451 ## $a Avila, Parque Nacional El (Venezuela)
451 ## $a El Avila, Parque Nacional (Venezuela)
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*Omit this 451 since  
the next 451 begins  
with the same word.* ➤

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151 ## $a Parque Nacional Iguazú (Argentina)
451 ## $a Iguazú, Parque Nacional (Argentina)
451 ## $a Iguazú National Park (Argentina)
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151 ## $a Louise McKinney Riverfront Park (Edmonton, Alta.)
451 ## $a McKinney Riverfront Park (Edmonton, Alta.)
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Generally, do not add 451 fields in which the only variation is the abbreviation of the generic words in the heading. For example, do not add the 451 field **Red Rock Lakes N.W.R. (Mont.)** to the heading **Red Rock Lakes National Wildlife Refuge (Mont.)**.

*c. Broader terms (550 fields).* Add a 550 (broader term) field for the most specific generic heading for the type of park being established, subdivided by the name of the country in which the park is located. In the case of Canada, Great Britain, and the United States, subdivide this heading by the name of the first order political division in which the park is located. *Examples:*

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151 ## $a Timbavati Game Reserve (South Africa)
550 ## $w g $a Game reserves $z South Africa
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151 ## $a Duck Mountain Provincial Park (Man.)
550 ## $w g $a Parks $z Manitoba
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151 ## $a Muddy Run Recreation Park (Pa.)
550 ## $w g $a Recreation areas $z Pennsylvania
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151 ## $a Central Park (New York, N.Y.)
550 ## $w g $a Parks $z New York (State)
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#### c. Broader terms (550 fields). (Continued)

**National parks.** If the park is nationally owned and administered, also add a 550 (broader term) field for the heading **National parks and reserves** subdivided by the name of the country in which the park is located, or, in the case of Canada, Great Britain, and the United States, by the first order political division.

*Examples:*

```
151 ## $a Tiger Haven Reserve (India)
550 ## $w g $a National parks and reserves $z India
550 ## $w g $a Wildlife refuges $z India

151 ## $a Apalachicola National Forest (Fla.)
550 ## $w g $a Forest reserves $z Florida
550 ## $w g $a National parks and reserves
      $z Florida
```

*Exception:* If the most specific generic heading for the type of national park being established is **Parks—[place]**, omit that 550 and add only the 550 **National parks and reserves—[place]**. *Examples:*

```
151 ## $a Mount Cook National Park (N.Z.)
550 ## $w g $a National parks and reserves
      $z New Zealand

[not 151 ## $a Mount Cook National Park (N.Z.)
550 ## $w g $a National parks and reserves
      $z New Zealand
550 ## $w g $a Parks $z New Zealand]

151 ## $a Badlands National Park (S.D.)
550 ## $w g $a National parks and reserves
      $z South Dakota

[not 151 ## $a Badlands National Park (S.D.)
550 ## $w g $a National parks and reserves
      $z South Dakota
550 ## $w g $a Parks $z South Dakota]
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#### c. Broader terms (550 fields). (Continued)

**Trails.** For trails located in more than three first order political divisions of Canada, Great Britain, or the United States, add the 550 **Trails—[country]** rather than subdividing the reference by a region within the country. *Examples:*

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151 ## $a Appalachian Trail
550 ## $w g $a Trails $z United States
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[not 151 ## $a Appalachian Trail
550 ## $w g $a Trails $z Atlantic States]
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**d. Parks that are coextensive with geographic features.** Some parks are exactly coterminous with other geographic entities, most commonly with islands. In such cases, establish a separate heading for the park and for the feature. When establishing either heading, link it as a related term to the other heading if it has already been established. *Example:*

```
151 ## $a Isle Royale (Mich.)
550 ## $w g $a Islands $z Michigan
551 ## $a Isle Royale National Park (Mich.)
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151 ## $a Isle Royale National Park (Mich.)
550 ## $w g $a Game reserves $z Michigan
550 ## $w g $a National parks and reserves $z Michigan
551 ## $a Isle Royale (Mich.)
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**Assignment of headings.** For parks that are coextensive with geographic features, assign the park heading only to works that discuss the entity *as a park*, that is, works about such aspects as the history of the establishment of the park, the facilities available for public use, etc. For all other works, and for purposes of geographic subdivision of topics, use the heading for the feature. In the case of the example above, the heading **Isle Royale National Park (Mich.)** would be used for a work such as a guidebook describing the park's hours of opening, dining and lodging facilities, etc., while the heading **Isle Royale (Mich.)** would be used for a work such as a discussion of the wildflowers in the park.

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**2. Parks as geographic subdivisions.** Subdivide topical headings by names of parks that are outside of cities in accordance with the normal rules for geographic subdivision (see H 830). When using the name of a park as a geographic subdivision, assign the heading for the park, with topical subdivision if appropriate, as an additional heading to the work being cataloged.  
*Examples:*

*Title: Winter wind studies in Rocky Mountain National Park.*  
650 #0 \$a Winds \$z Colorado \$z Rocky Mountain National Park.  
650 #0 \$a Winter \$z Colorado \$z Rocky Mountain National  
Park.  
651 #0 \$a Rocky Mountain National Park (Colo.)

*Title: 2000 miles on the Appalachian trail.*  
650 #0 \$a Hiking \$z Appalachian Trail.  
651 #0 \$a Appalachian Trail \$x Description and travel.

*Note: For geographic subdivision practice for parks that are located in cities, see sec. 3.a., below.*

### 3. Special provisions for assignment of headings.

**a. Parks in cities.** When assigning as a heading the name of a park located in a city, also assign the heading for the city with an appropriate topical subdivision, if the work falls within the scope of the provisions of H 1845, *Local History and Genealogical Source Materials*. *Example:*

*Title: Creating Central Park, 1857-1861.*  
651 #0 \$a Central Park (New York, N.Y.) \$x History.  
651 #0 \$a New York (N.Y.) \$x History \$y 1775-1865.

*Note: Do not use names of parks in cities as geographic subdivisions. Instead, assign separate headings as required to bring out the topic, the park, and the city.*  
*Example:*

*Title: The falconer of Central Park.*  
650 #0 \$a Bird watching \$z New York (State)  
\$z New York.  
650 #0 \$a Birds \$z New York (State) \$z New York.  
651 #0 \$a Central Park (New York, N.Y.)

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### 3. *Special provisions for assignment of headings.* (Continued)

**b. Topical themes.** To works about parks that have a special topical theme or focus, assign additional headings as required to bring out this theme. *Example:*

*Title: 'Round and about the dunes.*

651 #0 \$a Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore (Ind.)  
\$v Guidebooks.

651 #0 \$a Indiana Dunes State Park (Ind.)  
\$v Guidebooks.

650 #0 \$a Sand dunes \$z Indiana \$z Indiana Dunes  
National Lakeshore \$v Guidebooks.

650 #0 \$a Sand dunes \$z Indiana \$z Indiana Dunes State  
Park \$v Guidebooks.

**c. Parks as administrative agencies.** To works that focus on, or include a substantial amount of material on, a park as an administrative agency rather than as a geographic entity, assign as a subject heading the appropriate name heading for the park instead of, or in addition to, the established subject heading. For example, a work about the administration of Mount Rainier National Park would be assigned

610 20 \$a Mount Rainier National Park (Agency : U.S.)

A work that is both a physical description of the park and that includes a substantial amount of material about its administration would be assigned

651 #0 \$a Mount Rainier National Park (Wash.)

610 20 \$a Mount Rainier National Park (Agency : U.S.)

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**4. Structures, monuments, and geographic features within parks.** Treat structures, monuments, or geographic features in parks, including both those that are the principal focus of the park and those that are only incidentally present in the park, as named entities in their own right. Establish separate headings for them in accordance with H 1334 or H 690. The former practice of linking the two headings as RTs has been discontinued. *Examples:*

150 ## \$a Cleopatra's Needle (New York, N.Y.)  
550 ## \$w g \$a Obelisks \$z New York (State)

151 ## \$a Central Park (New York, N.Y.)  
550 ## \$w g \$a Parks \$z New York (State)

151 ## \$a Great Smoky Mountains (N.C. and Tenn.)  
451 ## \$a Great Smokies (N.C. and Tenn.)  
451 ## \$a Smokies (N.C. and Tenn.)  
451 ## \$a Smoky Mountains (N.C. and Tenn.)  
550 ## \$w g \$a Mountains \$z North Carolina  
550 ## \$w g \$a Mountains \$z Tennessee

151 ## \$a Great Smoky Mountains National Park (N.C. and Tenn.)  
550 ## \$w g \$a National parks and reserves \$z North Carolina  
550 ## \$w g \$a National parks and reserves \$z Tennessee

**Assignment of headings.** Assign the heading for the *park* to works that discuss the park as a whole including such aspects as the history of its establishment, the facilities available for public use, its organization, administration, financial affairs, etc. Assign the heading for the *feature, structure, or monument* to works that discuss only the entity itself without regard to its presence in the park, including such aspects as its physical description, history of construction, restoration, etc. To works that discuss *both* the park and the specific entity, assign both headings.