Hornstrandir Nature Reserve – Filming of Wildlife

The Environmental Agency of Iceland has received the application from Park & Park Media, Inc. about filming within the Hornstrandir Nature Reserve, dated the 7th of July 2016.

Hornstrandir Nature Reserve is protected by law (Act no. 332/1985). According to the regulation about protection of the area, all individuals are required to behave in a way so nature and wildlife will not be disturbed or harmed. In addition, the 6th Act no. 64/1994 states that everyone is required to minimize their impact in the presence of wild animals and their habitats. Finally, according to the 12th article no. 64/1994 all unnecessary traffic is prohibited around arctic fox den sites.

Park & Park Media, Inc. aims to film the wildlife, arctic foxes included, within the Hornstrandir nature reserve between the 20th July and 5th August, depending on weather. Number of employees on location will be four, with handheld cameras, drone included.

The Environment Agency emphasizes due to filming with drones:

- An unmanned aircraft should never be flown near people. Please take precaution not to disturb people’s experience, their safety or personal privacy nor the general peace of the protected areas filmed.
- An unmanned aircraft should never be flown near animals or birds, neither in nesting areas nor during nesting season or any other seasonal time when animals or bird habitats are considered vulnerable.
- The conductor of the unmanned aircraft is responsible for the aircraft within the protected area. This includes responsibility so that people, fauna and nature is unharmed because of the aircraft’s use and that no permanent mark be left on the site in question. Should the aircraft crash, all components from it must be collected and removed from the area.
• Liability for the use of unmanned airplanes goes by Act no. 60/1998.

Sincerely

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