



## Trustees Property Portrait Photography Rules & Regulations (Non-Commercial Use Only)

The Trustees of Reservations is a member-supported nonprofit conservation organization that preserves, for public use and enjoyment, properties of exceptional scenic, historic, and ecological value in Massachusetts, and works to protect special places across the state. Certain Trustees properties may be used as sites for outdoor portrait photography. In order to provide the best possible experience and avoid conflicts with visitors to the selected property, the following guidelines must be followed by the photographer (“User”):

**Property usage is permitted on a limited basis and is subject to public and private events taking place on any given day. Dates and times must be approved well in advance. Allow 5-7 days for approval.**

1. The User must purchase an annual membership to The Trustees at the Contributing Level (\$140) or above. If the User is already a member, User must upgrade to the Contributing Level. Annual membership to The Trustees supports our mission and allows us to maintain our properties. Visit [www.thetrustees.org/joinus](http://www.thetrustees.org/joinus) to purchase your Membership. We will ask you to forward your confirmation email as proof of purchase.
2. For certain properties, an additional fee may be required for photo shoots.
3. Photography is permitted only during normal open hours at Trustees properties. Review [www.thetrustees.org](http://www.thetrustees.org) for details.
4. No more than 6 people (not including the photographer) may attend the photography session.
5. Mini sessions are not permitted at any Trustees property. Photographers may book one session per day.
6. The User is not entitled to exclusive use of the property, and the property will remain open to the public. Under no circumstances can the public be excluded from the use area. Photographer and client may not interfere with the visitor experience.
7. The photographer, clients and guests shall park in the parking area designated for the location or locations selected. Parking anywhere but the designated area for the selected location is prohibited.
8. Email confirmation of permission must always accompany the User during the activity period.
9. Considerations for public safety and the protection of the structural and natural resources at the property take precedence over any of the User’s activities. The Trustees reserves the right to end the activity at any time.
10. The Trustees reserves the right to monitor all the User’s activities and prohibit any use that it deems to conflict with The Trustees operating policies, including but not limited to:
  - Drones or remote controlled arial equipment are not permitted.
  - Littering is prohibited, and any materials brought in must be removed. Trash receptacles will not be available.
  - Cutting or removing vegetation is prohibited.
  - Balloons, sparklers, and kites are prohibited.
  - Alcoholic beverages are not permitted at any time on any Trustees property being used for a photo shoot.
  - All photo subjects must be fully and appropriately clothed.
  - Dogs may be permitted, and user is responsible for reviewing the Trustees property regulations at [www.thetrustees.org](http://www.thetrustees.org).
  - Indoor facilities may not be available for use of this nature.

User shall be responsible for all the actions and activities of their party: photographer, client, and guests. The User agrees to assume all liability for any property or personal damage resulting from their use of the property. **The User shall hold The Trustees harmless, and shall release The Trustees of all liability, for any loss, injury, damage, illness, or expense as a result of or related to the use of the property.**