

Ceahlau National Park Regulations

Chapter 1 – the establishment, purpose, limitations and management of Ceahlau National Park.

Art.1

1. Ceahlau national park is a protected natural area, as established per the Minister's Council decision no. 1625/1995 and reestablished through the Order of the Minister for waters, forests and environmental protection no 7/1990, as well as Law no 5/2000 regarding the approving of national territory landscaping – section 3 – protected areas.
2. Ceahlau national park, spanning over a 7742.5 ha area, was spatially defined through OUG no 230/2003 regarding the demarcation of biosphere natural reservations, national parks and natural parks and their administrative constitution, with ulterior modifications.
3. Through the order of the Minister for environment and durable development no 1964/2007 regarding the institution of the natural area and publicly important site protection regime, as an integrant part of the European ecological network, Natura 2000 in Romania, modified and elaborated through Order 2387/2011, Ceahlau was declared publicly important site ROSCI0024 over an area of 7737 ha, its limits coinciding nearly completely with those of Ceahlau National Park.

Art.2

1. Being appointed in the second category of I.U.C.N, Ceahlau National Park is defined as being a protected area, administered especially to the protection of ecosystems and for recreation.
2. Ceahlau national park is situated in Neamt County, on the administrative territory of Bicaz City and Ceahlau, Bicazul Ardelean and Tasca villages.

Art.3 Ceahlau National Park has been taken over administratively on the basis of Administration Contract no 52181/MMSC/08.10.2014, no 13792/CJN/08.10.2015, drawn up between the Minister for Environment and Climate Changes and the Neamt County Council.

Art.4

The objectives of Ceahlau National Park management are:

- a. The conservation and protection of biological diversity and landscape elements;
- b. The promotion of tourism and recreation activities, in accord with the conservation objectives and natural heritage.
- c. The interdiction of anthropic activities that impact the environment, that are not in the interest of the local communities situated inside and around the protected area and those activities

which do not use traditional techniques or new technologies with a low impact on the environment.

- d. The undertaking of scientific research and environment monitoring activities that do not impact the protected elements.
- e. The promotion and encouraging of educational activities within the local population, tourists and wide audiences.
- f. The promotion of ecologically reconstructive actions in the areas in which the ecologic balance was affected.

Art.5 The map with the limits and internal zoning of the Ceahlau National Park was created according to OUG 230/2003 regarding the defining of biosphere reservations, national parks and natural parks and the establishment of their administration, with the ulterior modifications, as well as the emergency OUG no 57/2007 regarding the regime of protected natural areas, the conservation of natural habitats, wild fauna and flora, approved with modifications and addendums through Law 49/2011, with ulterior modifications and addendums and with the Order of the Minister for agriculture, forests, waters and environment no 552/2003 regarding the approving of interior zoning of national parks and natural parks from the point of view of biological diversity conservation necessity and presented in Annex 2.1. which is and integrant part of the present regulation.

Art.6 The internal zoning of Ceahlau National Park was defined in accord with the OUG 57/2007 stipulations regarding the regime of natural protected areas, the conservation of natural habitats, wild flora and fauna, approved with modifications and addendums through Law 49/2011 with ulterior modifications and addendums, with defining areas of strict protection, areas of integral protections, areas of durable management and areas of durable development of human activities.

The following areas have been defined on the territory of Ceahlau National Park:

1. Strict protection area: Ocolasul Mare Scientific Resort, Polita cu Crini Scientific Resort.
2. Integral Protection areas:
 - a. Ocolul Silvic Bicaz: u.a. 48-54, 64-94, 106-115 from UP VIII Bistra, u.a 38-45, 54-57, from UP IX Neagra and u.a. 42-44-53-62 from UP X Izvorul Muntelui;
 - b. Ocolul Silvic Poiana Teiului: u.a 63-83, 87, 88 from UP I Izvorul Alb and u.a 34-38; 50-5, 70, 72, 73, 80-86, 89-90, 91B, 91C, 95B, 971 98A1 99-106, 112A, 112B, 113C from UP II Ceahlau;
 - c. The remainder of the area is represented by grazing land
 - d. Duruitoarea Waterfall Natural Monument, 3rd category IUCN;

3. Durable conservation area or tampon-area has a surface of 2129.8 ha, representing 27.5% of the Cheahlau Park surface and includes forests pertaining to Ocolul Silvic Bicz and Ocolul Silvic Poiana Teiului.
4. The durable development of human activities area is represented by:
 - a. Durau 1 area with a surface of 16.47 ha of land, grazing land covered in regenerated forest vegetation, situated at the exterior limit of the durable conservation area;
 - b. Durau 2 area with a surface of 204.11 ha of forest land and grazing land, including a 12.24 ha area situated in the area pertaining to Durau and Ceahlau villages, the reference unit being Durauas, and the remainder of the area being forestry.
 - c. Fantanele area with a surface 0.03 ha, which holds Fantanele Cabin and its annexes;
 - d. Toaca weather station area, with a surface of 0.23 ha which holds the building of the weather station, the weather platform and the television and mobile phone antennas;
 - e. Weather Cabin area, with a surface of 0.04 ha which holds the building of the cabin, annexes and platforms with specific equipment.
 - f. Dochia area, with a surface of .048 ha which includes Dochia cabin and its annexes;
 - g. Izvorul Muntelui area, with a surface of 2.76 ha, situated in the Izvorul Muntelui village, as per the General Urban Plan of Bicz city. On this area, on either side of county road 155F, the cabin complex Izvorul Muntelui is placed, containing vacation homes with their annexes and other amenities.
 - h. Poiana Stanile area with a surface of 1.0 ha, pertaining to Antonie cel Mare skete and comprises the building of the skete and church foundation, anterior to the administrative takeover of Ceahlau National Park by the Neamt County council. The land they are situated was given to the Cathedral of Moldavia and Bucovina by the local Council of Bicz City.
 - i. Biczul Ardelean area – the confluence of Bistra Mare and Mangalaria rivers has a surface of 2.06 ha and is situated in the Biczul Ardelean village. 12 buildings are placed on the property, each with different goals, set up prior to the administrative takeover of Ceahlau National Park by the Neamt County Council in 2004;
 - j. Biczul Ardelean – Franturi Area is situated at the confluence of Bistra River with Franturi River and has a surface of 1.7 ha included in the village of Telec, as per the General Urban Plan of Biczul Ardelean Village;
 - k. “Martin” durable development area has a surface of 0.5 ha. Before 1989, a trout farm pertaining to Ocolul Silvic Poiana Teiului was in use;

- I. "Schitul Cerebuc" durable development area has a surface of 1.11 ha and it is comprised of grazing specific vegetation and include buildings belonging to Cerebuc Skete;
- m. Stefan cel Mare si Sfant Skete durable development area has a surface of 0.2ha.

Art.7. Protected natural areas that overlap Ceahlau National Park are mentioned in Annex 1 at the Order of the Minister for the environment and climate changes no 1472/2014 regarding the approval of the revised list of natural protected areas that require their own administrative structures and the evaluation criterions that established the necessity of administrative assignation of Natura 2000 sites.

2. The following protected natural areas are included in Ceahlau National Park:
 - a. Polita c Crini scientific resort, 1A category – IUCN;
 - b. Duruitoarea Waterfall natural monument, 3rd category – IUCN;

Art.8

The management of Ceahlau National Park is ensured by the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park, under the Neamt County Council, with its headquarters in Durau resort, Ceahlau Village, Neamt County.

Art.9

1. The Scientific Council, playing the part of scientific authority on the territory of the protected natural area guides the activity of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park.
2. The Scientific Council approves the activities scheduled by law, in the areas of integral protection and areas of durable conservation.
3. The Scientific Council analyses and approves the studies of impact for the activities/programs/projects undertaken on the entire territory of Ceahlau National Park.

Art.10

1. The Administrative Consulting Council of Ceahlau National Park is comprised of institution, economic organizations, non government organizations, authorities and local communities representatives, who are declared, in any manner, owners of areas or goods, or who have interests in the perimeter or the vicinity of the protected natural areas, and who are involved and interested in applying protection, conservation and durable development measures in the area.
2. The Administrative Consulting Council is consulted in the drafting of Ceahlau National Park Management Plan.
3. The activity of the Administrative Consulting Council is based on the organization and functioning Regulations, approved by the law.

Chapter II – Regulations of activity in Ceahlau National Park

Art.11

1. Activities that may be undertaken in strict protection areas:
 - a. Scientific research activities;
 - b. Ecologic education;
 - c. Eco-tourism activities.
2. The mentioned activities can take place only with the approval from the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park.
3. In order to obtain the approval of the Administrative Division on Ceahlau National Park, the request of the applicant will be submitted at least 2 weeks prior to the proposed date for beginning the activity and will include the following information:
 - a. The institution/organization of the applicant;
 - b. The field of activity in which the institution/organization operates;
 - c. The objectives, the proposed activities and the duration;
 - d. The participating personnel, a maximum of 9 people and their professional or scientific qualifications;
 - e. Contact information of the team leader.

Art.12

1. Activities that may be undertaken in integral protection areas:
 - a. Scientific and educational activities, with the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park,
 - b. Eco-tourism related activities that do not imply constructions/investments;
 - c. Rational use of grazing lands to mow and/or graze domesticated animals property of the members of the communities that hold the right to utilize the land in any law approved way, on the areas, in timeframes, with species and effectives approved by the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park, so as not to affect the natural habitats or the existing species of fauna and flora;
 - d. Localization of operative extinguishing of fires;

- e. Interventions to aid the maintaining of habitats, in order to protect certain species, groups of species of biotic communities that constitute the object of protection, as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection.
 - f. Ecologic reconstruction of natural ecosystems interventions and those related to the rehabilitation of degraded or inadequate ecosystems, as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection.
 - g. Activities devised to obviate the effects of calamities, as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection. Should the calamities affect forest areas, these activities are undertaken as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection responsible for forestry;
 - h. Preventive actions that inhibit the overpopulation of forest varmits, which do not entail extraction of trees, the subsequent monitoring actions, with the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park.
 - i. Preventive actions that inhibit the overpopulation of forest varmits, and which entail evacuating wooden materials from the forest, in the event of overpopulation hot spots, as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection responsible for forestry
 - j. In the case of projects or plans that must be undertaken for imperative reasons of major public interest, the stipulations of Art.28, OUG 57/2000 will be applied, with its ulterior modifications and addendums.
2. Prohibited activities in integral protection areas:
- a. Any form of exploitation and use of natural resources and any means of using the lands, which are incompatible with the foal of protection and/or conservation;
 - b. Building-investing activities, with the exception of those destined for the administration of the natural protected area and/or scientific research activities, or those destined for national security or the prevention of natural calamities, as well as those destined to preventing tourist related accidents – permanent first aid points and mountain rescue centers.
3. In order to obtain the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park, the documents submitted at least 2 weeks prior to the proposed date of beginning must comprise:

- a. Regarding Paragraph 1, section a:
 - i. The institution/organization of the applicant;
 - ii. The field of activity of the institution/organization;
 - iii. A brief description of proposed activities;
 - iv. A detailed list of team members, containing their occupation and role;
 - v. The contact information of the applicant/
- b. Regarding Paragraph 1, section c, the applicant with submit the request at least 15 days prior to the start of the grazing season; the request must be approved by the owner/administrator of the grazing field and must contain:
 - i. Identity information of the applicant and his position;
 - ii. The placement and surface for which the authorization is requested;
 - iii. Species and number of animals;
 - iv. The timeframe for which the authorization is requested.
- c. Regarding Paragraph 1, sections e, f, g, h, the request for authorization must contain:
 - i. The written request from the forest administrator;
 - ii. A record of valorizing the affected wood;
 - iii. Regarding section h, a record of findings and evaluations of the range of forest varmints or another document asserting the mass increase in varmints.

Art.13

1. Activities that may be undertaken in the durable conservation area:
 - a. Scientific and educational activities with the approval of Ceahlau National Park Administration;
 - b. Eco-tourism activities that do not entail building/investments, with the approval of Ceahlau National Park Administration;
 - c. Rational use of grazing lands to mow and/or graze animal by the owners of the lands or those who have the right to use them in any way acknowledged by the law, on the areas, in the timeframes, with the species and effectives approved by the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park, so as to prevent affecting the natural habitats, as well as the existing species of flora and fauna;

- d. Localizing and operative extinguishing of fires;
- e. Interventions to aid the maintaining of habitats, in order to protect certain species, groups of species of biotic communities that constitute the object of protection, as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection.
- f. Ecologic reconstruction of natural ecosystems interventions and those related to the rehabilitation of degraded or inadequate ecosystems, as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection.
- g. Activities devised to obviate the effects of calamities, as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection. Should the calamities affect forest areas, these activities are undertaken as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection responsible for forestry;
- h. Preventive actions that inhibit the overpopulation of forest varmints, which do not entail extraction of trees, the subsequent monitoring actions, with the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park.
- i. Preventive actions that inhibit the overpopulation of forest varmints, and which entail evacuating wooden materials from the forest, in the event of overpopulation hot spots, as per the proposition of the Administrative Division, with the approval of the Scientific Council and the central public authority for environment protection responsible for forestry
- j. Traditional activities of using renewable resources, within the limits of production capacities and support of ecosystems, through technologies with reduced impact, such as forest fruit, mushroom and medicinal plant gathering, respecting the present laws. These activities may be undertaken solely by owners/administrators of land in Ceahlau National Park or by local communities, with the approval of the Administrative division of Ceahlau National Park, only in personal use, not commercial or industrial;
- k. Traditional activities of cultivating farmlands and husbandry, as well as other traditional activities undertaken by local communities;
- l. Maintenance activities for plantations and conservation activities, with a focus on promoting natural regenerations and without extracting dead wood, exception being the cases where varmint attack are present and pose an expansion danger to wide areas, in the outer parcels of strict or integral protection areas;

- m. Applying forests treatments that promote natural regeneration of plantations, with the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park: transformation cutting treatment towards gardening, gardened or quasi-gardened cutting treatment, classical or marginal progressive cutting treatment, classical or marginal successive cutting treatment, with a regeneration period of minimum 10 years. Forest related workmanship and treatments will be undertaken with the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park.
2. The necessary documents to obtain authorization, and which will be submitted at the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park are:
- a. Regarding Paragraph 1, section a – identical to Art.11, Paragraph 3, section a of this regulation compendium;
 - b. Regarding Paragraph 1, section c, the applicant will submit the request for authorization at least 15 days prior to the grazing season start, and must contain:
 - i. Identity information of the applicant and his position;
 - ii. The placement and surface for which the authorization is requested;
 - iii. Species and number of animals;
 - iv. The timeframe for which the authorization is requested.
 - v. The request must be approved by the owner/administrator of the grazing field.
 - c. Regarding Paragraph 1 sections e, f, g, h, i, k, the request for authorization must contain:
 - i. The written request from the forest administrator;
 - ii. A record of valorizing the affected wood;
 - iii. Regarding section h, a record of findings and evaluations of the range of forest varmints or another document asserting the mass increase in varmints.
 - d. Regarding Paragraph 1, section j, physical or juridical persons that own/administer fields within Ceahlau National Park will submit a request and the Administrative Division of the Park, where they must specify the place, produce gathered and the proposed quantity, the timeframe of gathering, as well as the number of participants.

Art.14

1. Activities that may be undertaken in durable development areas:
- a. Building/investing activities that respect the durable use of natural resources principle and prevent any type of significant negative effects on biodiversity, with the approval of

the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park, as per the legally approved urban plans;

- b. Eco-tourism related activities;
 - c. Sporting and recreation activities, with the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park;
 - d. Traditional farmland cultivation and husbandry;
 - e. Sports, industrial and pisciculture fishing, with the approval from the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park;
 - f. Activities that ensure the health and safety of people and animals, and help raise the living standards;
 - g. Maintenance activities for plantations and conservation activities, with a focus on promoting natural regenerations with the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park;
 - h. Activities that are specific to the manner of ecologic cultivation of farmlands and husbandry, in accord with the specific legislation;
 - i. Forest fruit, mushroom and medicinal plant gathering, respecting the present laws. These activities may be undertaken solely by owners/administrators of land in Ceahlau National Park or by local communities, with the approval of the Administrative division of Ceahlau National Park;
 - j. Other traditional activities undertaken by local communities.
2. To undertake investment/development proceedings that may have a significant negative impact on the environment, it is necessary to obtain the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park, granted as per the decision of the Scientific Council.
 3. To obtain authorization for construction/investment proceedings, it is mandatory to draft a record regarding the impact on the environment/an adequate evaluation.

Forestry

Art.15 Only the forestry activities included in the forest management guidelines are allowed on the lands included in the national forestry fund, and legislative dispositions must be respected, regarding the functional zoning of the forests and Ceahlau National Park.

1. The Administration Division of Ceahlau National Park participates in the arrangement proceedings of forests and grazing fields included in Ceahlau National Park, with the purpose of applying them in tune with the management plan of Ceahlau National Park.

2. The administrators of the national or private forest fund are obliged to supply the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park with all the documents necessary to check the manner in which the stipulations of the forest arrangement are respected , referring to applying treatments to the national forestry fund, as well as respecting the forestry regime regarding vegetation outside the national forest fund on Ceahlau National Park, competent authorities being contacted in the event of breaking stipulations.
3. The administrators of the national or private forest fund are obliged to supply the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park with all the documents necessary to check the manner in which the stipulations of the forest arrangement are respected, referring to the structure of forest regeneration.
4. The forest administration structures are obliged to provide the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park with the location plan of mass wood exploitation on the surface of Ceahlau National Park, before the start of the new forestry year, to obtain authorization. Changes brought to the schedule during the production year will be authorized by the Administrative Division.
5. Forest administration structures must get documents of valorizing authorized by the Administrative Division if they do not make up schedules of wood disposition.
6. The Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park has the right to check the annual applying of forest arrangement stipulations on the surface of Ceahlau National Park.
7. Wood exploitation on the surface of Ceahlau National Park will be done in accord with the Order of the Minister for the environment and forests no 1540/2011 regarding the approving of the Instructions for the deadlines, manner and timeframe of gathering and transport of wood, as well as emergency OUG no 57/2007 regarding the regime of the protected natural areas, conserving of natural habitats, wild flora and fauna, with the ulterior modifications and addendums, approved through Law 49/2011 with ulterior modifications and addendums.
8. Regarding activities meant to protect forests and to prevent mass increase in the number of forest varmits that needs evacuation of wood from forests, in quantities that surpass the stipulations of the arrangement, or activities that obviate the effects of calamities, the necessary documentation will be submitted to the Administration Division of Ceahlau National Park in order to receive their approval and authorization from the Scientific Council, and must comprise:
 - a. A written request from the administrator of the forest;
 - b. The document of valorizing affected wood;
 - c. The situation of wood volume to be extracted, compared to the stipulations of the arrangement;

- d. In order to obtain authorization for applying forest treatments that promote natural regeneration of the plantations, the documents that must be submitted to the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park must comprise the written request of the forest administrator to approve the wood disposition schedules, the documents of valorizing and the technologies used in the exploitation of wood.
9. Administrative structures of the forestry fund on the area of Ceahlau National Park are obliged to communicate the volume of exploited wood in the previous year, and will do so in the first month of the following year, comparing the volume with the stipulations of the forest arrangement.
10. Administrative Division personnel collaborate with forestry personnel that deals with managing the forestry fund on the basis of an accord signed between the two parties.

Hunting

Art.16 Hunting is strictly forbidden on Ceahlau National Park territory.

1. It is forbidden to feed, build feeding grounds and scarf species of venatorial interest on distances smaller than 1 kilometer from the limits of Ceahlau National Park.
2. Venatorial management plans of venatorial fund management will be correlated to the demands of conserving the species mentioned in the management plan of Ceahlau National Park.
3. Abiding to the current laws, no species from the fauna of Ceahlau National Park will be sampled, exceptions being those sampled for scientific reasons.
4. The Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park participaces in evaluating the effective species of venatorial interest, on the venatorial funds that overlap the territory of the Park.
5. The peace area, called for by Law 407/2006 of hunting and the protection of venatorial fund, with its ulterior modifications and addendums, is identified in the basin of Slatina River, beginning from Obcina Tirsoara area, Slatina Peak, Obcina Lacurilor, La Scaune, Jgheabul lui Voda, Piciorul Schiop, Piciorul lui Bucur, the confluence of Slatina and Martin rivers and covers 3 hydrographic basins: Slatina (partially), Martin and Rupturi.
6. Inside the peace area the following are forbidden:
 - a. Tourist access, with the exception of preexisting trails, with the possibility of regulating certain timeframes;
 - b. Any manner of phonic pollution;
 - c. Exploitation of renewable resources;
 - d. Fossil fueled vehicles, exceptions being:

- i. The Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park
 - ii. Venatorial fund administrators
 - iii. Other state institutions in order, who must preemptively give an official notice to the Administration Division and the venatorial fund administrators.
- e. Forest exploitations during coupling and kidling season for species of venatorial interest:
- i. 15th of January-15th of February for wolves and wild cats;
 - ii. 15th of May-15th of June for bears;
 - iii. 15th of July-15th of August for deer;
 - iv. 10th of September-15th of October, hart mating season;
 - v. 1st of November-15th of December for wild boars;
 - vi. 31st of March-30th of May for kidling.

Fishing

Art.17. Fishing establishments, populating, growing, developing and valorizing of fish will be done with the authorization of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park.

2. Fishing, with the exception of destined establishments, is forbidden on the territory of Ceahlau National Park.
3. Artificial repopulation of fishing funds will be done by the managers of the fishing funds, only with indigenous species and with authorization for the Administrative Division.
4. Administration Division personnel have the right to check on the legality of fishing on the area of Ceahlau National Park, with regards to current legislation.

Rational use of grazing lands

Art.18

1. Grazing fields and meadows in Ceahlau National Park may be used rationally to mow and/or graze only domestic animals, property of community members that own fields or own the right to use them in any way recognized by the national current law, on the areas, in the timeframes and with the species and effectives approved by the Administration Division of Ceahlau National Park, so that it does not affect the natural habitats and existing flora and fauna species.

2. Pastoral activity on the territory of Ceahlau National Park is done in accord with specialist field studies, including the load of animals according to reliability of sub-alpine and alpine grazing fields, as established by silvi-pastoral arrangements drafted by specialists in the field and paid for by those who use them. These studies will correlate with the management plan of Ceahlau National Park.
3. Grazing will be subjected to the following regulations:
 - a. Goat grazing is forbidden;
 - b. Grazing on Ocolasul Mare Scientific Resort and Polita cu Crini Scientific Resort, gobbings and grass covered rocks is strictly forbidden;
 - c. Grazing and herd shifting on tourist trails is forbidden;
 - d. Placing sheep folds is only permitted with the approval from the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park. They will be adapted to the specific mountainous environment and will fit in with the landscape;
 - e. Placing sheep folds in the immediate vicinity of rivers is forbidden;
 - f. The number of dogs allowed is established by the grazing contract, as per the legal regulations. The dogs must be equipped with cogs, they will be de-wormed and vaccinated, this aspect being proved through the dog's health card.
4. Owners/administrators of grazing fields will be subjected to legal consequences for drafting grazing contracts that do not abide to the legislative stipulations regarding grazing, such as respecting grazing capacity of the field, the place for grazing, the species of domestic animals, the numbers of dogs allowed and others of the like.
5. The Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park has the right to perform field checks in order to ensure that legislative regulations are abided regarding grazing, and also the right to withdraw authorization should the stipulations not be respected.

Scientific Research

Art.19

1. The main goal of scientific research in Ceahlau National Park is the study and conservation of the natural heritage.
2. After categorizing species and evaluating their degree of vulnerability, the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park will ensure the monitoring endemic, vulnerable, perilous or rare elements, as well as habitats and target species.
3. Scientific research projects within Ceahlau National Park will be undertaken with the approval of the Administrative Division and of the Scientific Council. The Administrative Division will provide

logistic support by request and, as possible, will support the research activity taking place on the territory of the park. The results of the studies/research will be communicated, in copy, to the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park.

4. Results approved by able scientific forums, and which are to be taken from the projects and themes of research will be used for action propositions and measures.
5. The manner of valorizing and implementing the results of research comprised in the Management Plan will be established through protocols between the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park and the people responsible for research projects.

Spelean Activity

Art.20

1. Identifying and localizing natural carst phenomena is done through the Management Plan.
2. Spelean exploring will be done abiding to current regulations, with the approval of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park.
3. Collecting samples of any kind from the cavernous environment is forbidden, with the exception of projects authorized by the Scientific Council of the Administrative Division, for scientific purposes.

Non-renewable natural resource exploitation

Art.21 The exploitation of mineral resources, soil, litter and gravel from shores, rivers in commercial and industrial purposes is forbidden on the entire expanse of Ceahlau National Park.

Tourism, rules for visitation

Art.22

1. Tourist and recreation activities are permitted in Ceahlau National Park, as long as they abide to the present Set of Regulations.
2. Access points in Ceahlau National Park are:
 - a. **Gate 1: Durau, Ceahlau village** – it is situated in the West-NorthWestern area of Ceahlau National Park and serves a number of 3 tourist trails that link Durau Resort and Dochia Cabin.
 - b. **Gate 2: Izvorul Muntelui** – situates in the eastern area of Ceahlau National Park and serves a number of 3 tourist trails that link Izvorul Muntelui Cabin and Dochia Cabin.
 - c. **Gate 3: Bistra** – situated at the confluence of Bistra Mare and Bistra Mica rivers, and connects Bicazul Ardelean and Dochia Cabin though La Scaune tourist trail.

- d. **Gate 4: Neagra** – situated on Neagra Mare River and connects Tasca and Dochia Cabin.
3. Eco-tourism may be practiced in scientific resorts, with the approval of the Administrative Division, in groups of up to 9 visitors, and accompanied by a representative of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park.
4. Specialists and scientific researchers may undertake scientific research activities in scientific resorts, with the approval of the Administrative Division and with the obligation of submitting a report with the results of the research.
5. Persons authorized to perform tourist related accident prevention activities, search and rescue interventions or obviating calamity effect interventions are exempt from imposed restrictions.
6. Visitor access, camping and bringing of animals on the territory of Ceahlau National Park is done after paying a fee, as per the current legislative stipulations.
7. The value of fees is proposed by the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park and established through the decision of Neamt County Council with the approval of the central authority for environment protection. Access fees for visitors ensure access on all maked trails in Ceahlau National Park.
8. The following people are exempt from tax payment:
 - a. Children under the age of 5
 - b. Members of the Scientific Council and the Administrative Division
 - c. Volunteers that can prove they are performing activities for the Administrative Division on the basis of an official note or contract
 - d. Permanent personnel and volunteers for Mountain Rescue
 - e. Forest personnel from the forestry district in the Ceahlau National Park area, in a work related situation, on the accord between the Administrative Division and the managers of venatorial funds that overlap the protected area
 - f. Owners of land and household annexes in Ceahlau National Park or its vicinity, where access is granted through Ceahlau National Park.
 - g. Personnel of entities authorized to function on the territory of Ceahlau National Park.
 - h. War veterans
9. During high visitor flux timeframes, namely 15th of July-15th of September, the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park may hire additional personnel on the basis of contracts of civilian conventions of service providing.

10. The park may be visited only on homologated trails, marked with conventional signs – marks donned with a band, a triangle, a cross or a point in different colours, depending on the trail and framed in white.
11. Straying from the trails mentions in Paragraph 2 is forbidden. The following are considered exceptions:
 - a. Administrative Division personnel in work related situations
 - b. Volunteers hired by the Administrative Division
 - c. Forestry personnel, employees of mountainous rangers in work related situations
 - d. Employees of the police, the army, firefighters, etc in work related situations and accompanied by representatives of the Administrative Division
 - e. Researchers that are part of research projects
 - f. Participants in competitions or organized camps and only if the program has requested to stray from the trail and if it has been approved by the Administrative Division; participants will be accompanied by employees of Mountain Rescue
 - g. Access to equipped alpinists until the entry point to alpine trails
 - h. Access to speleologists until the exploration objective.
12. The organization, maintenance and rehabilitation of tourist trails, as well as the organization of new trails and the installation of indicator and informative panels are done on the basis of Government Decision 77/2003 regarding the establishment of new mountainous accident preventing measures and organizing rescue activities in the mountains.
13. Camping on the Ceahlau National Park territory is only permitted in camps organized for this purpose.
14. Outside organized camping sites, camping is permitted, with the approval of the Administration Division, in the following circumstances:
 - a. to facilitate the undertaking of research activities;
 - b. if the jobs of volunteers working in the park impose it;
 - c. in emergency situations, camping is permitted in the bivouac.
15. In organizing a camp site, the following are forbidden:
 - a. Digging ditches around tents
 - b. Dislodging vegetation patches to protect tents;

- c. Using vegetation such as savin, fern, moss or branches under the tents.
16. Lighting fires and using open fires outside specially organized and marked fireplaces on the territory of Ceahlau National Park is prohibited.
17. Waste regime in Ceahlau National Park operates as follows:
- a. Dumping and abandoning waste of any kind is prohibited;
 - b. Tourists have the duty of clearing out the waste they generate during their stay in the park and depositing it outside the park or in waste collection centres on the park's territory;
 - c. Waste deposited in the collection centres will be periodically taken out by employees of the Administration Division, or will be part of ecological actions undertaken by different associations, organizations or volunteer groups, under the supervision and guidance of Ceahlau National Park employees;
 - d. The Administration Division will draft collaboration contracts with cleaning companies that operate in the communities that limit the Park to ensure the transportation of the waste to the depositing ramps in the area;
 - e. Waste coming from tourist cabins or other locations that perform activities in the area of Ceahlau National Park will be temporarily deposited within their limits, in specially assigned places, so as not to be accessible to dogs and wild animals, and afterwards being evacuated under the supervision of the cabin administrators.
18. The following are prohibited in order to ensure the protection of biodiversity:
- a. Any means of gathering, capturing, killing, destroying or injuring specimens in their natural habitat, no matter the stage of their biologic cycle;
 - b. Damaging, destroying and/or intentional gathering of nests and/or eggs in nature;
 - c. Damaging and/or destroying reproduction or resting areas;
 - d. Gathering, cutting, de-rooting or intentionally destroying flora;
 - e. Owning, transporting, trading or changing specimens of flora and fauna taken from nature, regardless of the stage of their biologic cycle, no matter the purpose. Exceptions are approved by the Administration Division and other competent forums with the authorization of the Administrative Division.
19. Access with pets:
- a. Access of pet dogs on the territory of the Park is permitted only if they are permanently leashed and after paying the access fee;

- b. Access is permitted only if the owners prove the dogs are vaccinated by providing the dogs' health cards;
 - c. Field agents and mountain rescue can use utility dogs in guarding or interventions and rescue missions;
- 20. Disturbing the peace is strictly prohibited on the territory of Ceahlau National Park. The cabins situated in the area are not allowed to organize any activities that do not follow the current legislation regarding the acceptable level of noise.
- 21. It is strictly forbidden:
 - a. To destroy or damage information panels and indicators, as well as plaques, poles or markings on tourist trails;
 - b. Damaging refuges, shelters, footbridges or any other building/settlement on Park territory.
- 22. It is strictly forbidden:
 - a. To use any type of detergent or soap in flowing waters;
 - b. To wash any kind of vehicles in flowing waters and at the streams on Ceahlau National Park territory.
- 23. The Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park monitors the effect caused by tourist activities with the purpose of establishing the impact it has on the biodiversity and on the state of tourist trails. In the care of finding a negative impact adequate protection measures will be imposed, going as far as restricting access to tourists.
- 24. Only warning panels will be displayed on the roads that lead to the entrances of the park and, where needed, barriers will be placed in order to restrict access to vehicles that use fossil fuel.
- 25. Motorized access is strictly prohibited on tourist trails, exception being:
 - a. Administrative Division personnel in patrol or on a mission;
 - b. Mountain Rescue personnel on a mission, patrolling or during training;
 - c. Mountain Rangers personnel, police, firefighters in training or on a mission;
 - d. Land and building owners, on trails approved by the Administrative Division
- 26. Landing helicopters in Ceahlau National Park is only possible with the approval of the Administrative Division.

27. Commercial filming or photography is not allowed except with the approval of the Administrative Division, after paying a fee and with the obligation to mention that the footage was taken on the area of the Park.

Art.23 Mountain Rescue

1. Mountain Rescue units are active in Ceahlau National Parks, ensuring permanent monitoring in fixed locations, patrolling the trails and participating in interventions in case of accidents.
2. The Administrative Division collaborates with the Mountain Rescue units and offers them logistic support if requested.
3. Alpine courses/competitions, or any other type of sporting races that are organized in Ceahlau National Park are allowed with the approval from the Administrative Division and Mountain Rescue, if they will be presided by authorized instructors. In submitting the request regarding the organization of such events, the authorization will also be presented.

Art.24 Constructions

1. Building/investment activities are prohibited in Ceahlau National Park, with the exception of those destined to administrate the protected natural areas and/or tourist, sporting or research activities, or those destined to ensuring national security and mountain rescue, security and healthcare for people and animals and preventing or obviating natural calamities;
2. Any act of building/investing undertaken in the park that is susceptible to having a negative impact on the park will be halted until said impact on the environment is evaluated/until an adequate evaluation takes place, as per the stipulations of the current legislation, and only after obtaining the authorization from the Administrative Division.

Art.25 Studies, projects and Activities

Any studies or projects that plan exploitation activities regarding the natural resources, or which plan the undertaking of activities in the area of the park, no matter their nature (be it forestry related, agricultural, zoo technical, tourist related, geological, hydro technical, evaluating the venatorial/fishing fund, etc, sporting activities and recreational ones) will be mandatorily subjected by the applicant to approval from the Administrative Division, and, by case, from the Scientific Council.

Art.26

1. The updating of organization and urbanism documents for the villages and their areas overlapping Ceahlau National Park will be done by the responsible public administration authorities, and will include the stipulations regarding the mentioned site of public importance.
2. Modifying and updating the organization documents mentions in paragraph 1 will be done with the approval from the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park, in order to ensure its conformity with the stipulations of the management plan.

3. The documents mentioned in paragraph 1, modified and/or updated by the authorities mentioned in paragraph 1 will include the limits of Ceahlau National Park in the graphic annexes.

Art.27 Financing

The financing of the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park is provided from:

1. State budget from the Neamt County Council and local Councils;
2. Personal income (form activities and entry fees)
3. Projects developed by the Administrative Division or in collaboration with other institutions/organizations and financed through local, national or international programs;
4. Subventions, donations, sponsorships, contributions and others of the like.

Art.28 Other regulations

1. In major situations (fires, natural calamities), authorized institutions may intervene according to legislative stipulations. They have the obligations of notifying the Administrative Division about: the nature of the intervention, the place of the incident, the trained personnel and manner of intervention. The Administrative Division will have an active part in the alerting and mobilizing process in order to prevent and obviate the effect of such events.
2. Interventions in special circumstances (epidemics, infestations, damages provoked by venatorial fauna, incontrollable overpopulation) are carried out with the approval from the Administrative Division, granted, by case, on the basis of authorization from the Scientific Council and central environmental forestry and veterinary authorities.

Chapter III – Sanctions

Art.29 Sanctions.

4. Not respecting the stipulations of the present set of regulations will result in, by case, contravention responsibility, civil, penal or administrative sanctions, and will be applied by responsible institutions, as per legislation stipulations.

Chapter IV – Final directives

Art.30 Final directives

1. the implementation of the present set of regulations is done by the Administrative Division personnel and by personnel holding control attributions from the National Environment Guard, the central public authority dealing with the protection of the environment, and by its zonal structures that are responsible with environment protection, as well as the central public authority for forestry and its local structures, county police stations and county ranger stations.

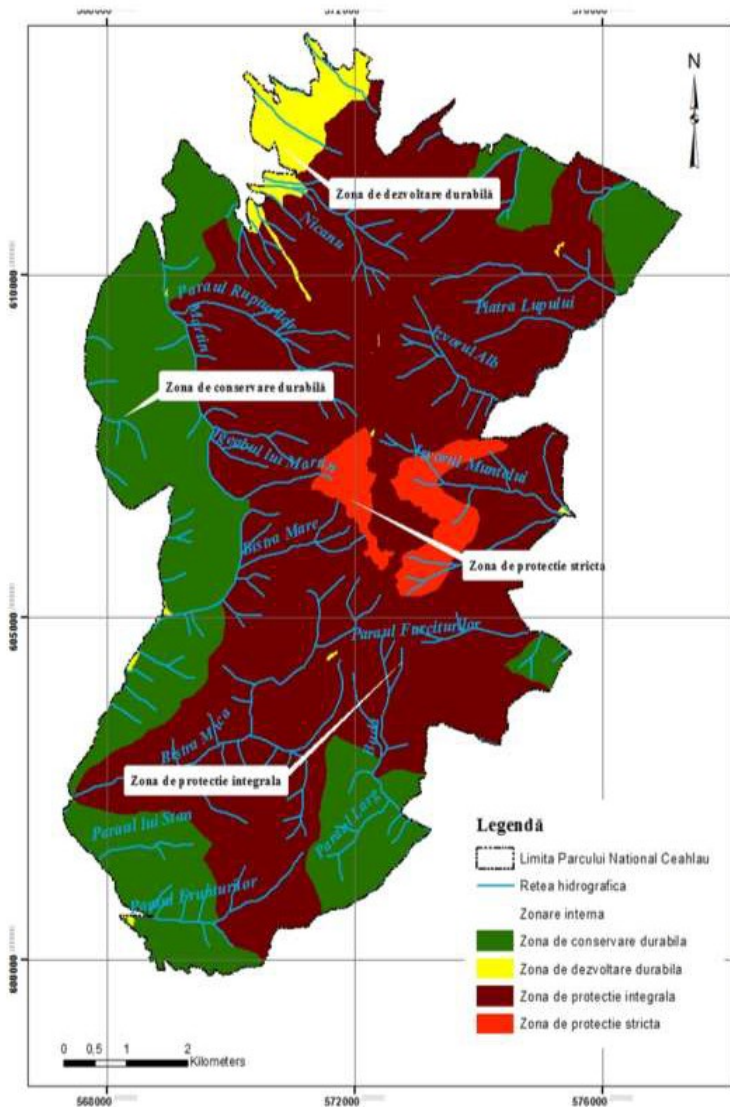
2. Modifications to the present set of regulations are implemented by the Administrative Division, with approval from the Scientific Council and Administration Consulting Council and approved by order from the Minister, at the proposal of the central public authority for environment protection.
3. The regulations, as well as the value of taxes and fines established through the Decision of the Neamt County Council will be brought to public knowledge.
4. The present set of regulations was drafted by the Administrative Division of Ceahlau National Park and authorized by the Scientific Council and the Consulting Council.
5. The map of Ceahlau National Park – borders and internal zoning, in annex 2.1 is an integral part of the present set of regulations.
6. The compulsoriness of authorized institutions to preliminarily notify the Administrative Division is arbitrary and forced in order to intervene in events of major force, because, in the event of disaster or natural calamities, based on the legally infringed prerogatives, the prefect will lay-out and monitor the execution of necessary disposition to limit/obviate the effects.
7. Breaking the stipulations of the present set of regulations will result in, by case, contravention responsibility, civil, penal or administrative sanctions, and will be applied by responsible institutions, as per legislation stipulations.
8. According to Law 350/2001 regarding the organization of the territory and urban area, with its ulterior modifications and addendums, after approving the present set of regulations, competent public local authorities are obliged to update the documents regarding the organization of the territory and urban area, by integrating the stipulations regarding the natural protected areas. Moreover, the documents drafted after the approving of the present set of regulations must include stipulations regarding the natural protected area.
9. After approving the regulations regarding the natural protected areas, the administrator will inform competent local administrative authorities of the obligation to update the Organization Plan of County territory and of the General Urban Plan, by including the stipulations regarding the natural protected areas.
10. The authorization from the Administrator of the natural protected area is necessary not only for updating organization documents of the territory and urban area, but also for those to be drafted in the future.
11. The administrator of the natural protected area grants authorization for the organization documents and urban documents, which include the limits of the natural protected area.
12. In order to exactly localize the natural protected area in the organizing documents and urban documents, in the graphic annexes of the documents, it is necessary that, through the care of competent local administrative authorities, the limits of the natural protected area be included, with its eventual zoning, according to the stipulations of emergency Government Decision no 57/2007 regarding the

regime for natural protected areas, conservation of natural habitats and wild flora and fauna, with its ulterior modifications.

13. The responsibility for managing the natural protected area lies with the Neamt County Council, named hereafter administrator, according with the Ceahlau National Park Administration Contract no 52181/MMSC/08.10.2014, no 13792/CJN/08.10.2014, signed between the Minister for the Environment and climate changes and Neamt County Council.

Annex to the present Set of Regulations

The map of Ceahlau National Park



Legend

1. The limit of Ceahlau National Park
2. Hydrographic network
3. Internal zoning
4. Durable Conservation Area
5. Durable Development Area
6. Integral Protection Area
7. Strict Protection area