

Trip Planning

Deposits and Payments – A \$300.00 per person is required to confirm a reservation. Deposits may be made by personal check or Visa/Mastercard. Final payment may be made by cash, personal check, traveler's checks or Visa/Mastercard. Deposits are nonrefundable and may be transferred to other available dates, to another person, in the same year.

Directions – The Thunderhook Fly-Ins/Smoothrock Camp base is located in Armstrong, Ontario. We are reached by departing Thunder Bay, Ontario northbound on Highway 527. Approximate drive time to Armstrong from Thunder Bay is 2.3 hours. Thunder Bay has a modern commercial airport with numerous commercial airlines serving the city. Rental cars, vans, and limo service to our base are also available. Guests arriving by private wheeled aircraft may land at Armstrong Municipal Airport. There are no services available however pick-up to our base can be arranged. Guests arriving at Armstrong by private seaplane may land on Mattice Lake and moor at Thunderhook/Smoothrock Seaplane Base. Thunderhook handles 100 octane and Jet-A AV fuel.

Bait and Live Bait – Guests may import into Canada night crawlers packed in commercial bedding. Live minnows and leeches must be purchased in Canada. Smoothrock can take care of your bait for you via order which must be placed with us in advance. Note: Many guests now use dead salted minnows, which may be imported into Canada, and other artificial baits such as Gulp Alive.

Border Crossing – A valid passport or NEXUS card and a second ID such as a driver's license or birth certificate are required to enter Canada and return to the United States. Children under age 15 with parental consent may travel between countries with certified copy of their birth certificate. Children traveling under the supervision of another must have written permission from a parent or guardian. If you are arriving in Canada or returning to the USA by air, a passport is required.

Fishing Licenses – are available at our air base.

Weight Limitations – Smoothrock Camp: 125lbs per person. In accordance with Canadian Air Regulations all luggage will be weighed prior to your departure. Excess baggage and supplies may be transported to Smoothrock or outpost camps for an additional charge. Max weight per bag, box, or cooler is 70lbs.

Equipment Damage – You are responsible for damage to equipment. Boats and motors will be checked for damage. Resort staff at Smoothrock Camp will perform this duty. Damage does not include normal wear and tear of equipment. A chart of costs for repairs is available at our air base and may be requested by mail or email. Some homeowner's policies cover damage to property, such as boats and motors. We encourage you to investigate this prior to your trip with us.