

79-4-501 Peace officer authority of park rangers.

- (1) The division has the duty to:
 - (a) protect state parks and park property from misuse or damage; and
 - (b) preserve the peace within state parks.
- (2) Employees of the division who are POST certified peace officers and who are designated as park rangers by the division director, are law enforcement officers under Section 53-13-103 and have all the powers of law enforcement officers in the state, with the exception of the power to serve civil process.
- (3) The division has the authority to deputize persons who are peace officers or special function officers to assist park rangers on a seasonal temporary basis.

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