



**Symposium on
Science and Stewardship to Protect and Sustain Wilderness Values
WILD9 - the Ninth World Wilderness Congress
Meridá, Mexico 6-13 November, 2009**

Poster Guidelines

Posters are always a featured emphasis of this international symposium, encouraging interaction and discussion across cultures. Currently, we have over 20 posters scheduled for presentation. Papers developed from poster presentations will not be differentiated from those developed from oral presentations, in the compiled Proceedings. Our preference is that posters are developed in English, but if your poster must be in Spanish, please either provide an English translation of the abstract or we will help you obtain a translation for posting with your poster.

When will posters be displayed?

We are currently working on the draft working sessions schedule for 9-12 November. Posters will likely be presented in a high traffic, very visible location during the afternoon of the 9th, as part of the kick off of the Symposium. Sometimes posters will also be integrated into oral sessions. In this case, poster presenters will formally introduce themselves and their posters within the working sessions in which they have each been assigned and then have time to interact with Congress delegates on their poster topic. Watch for updates on the Symposium schedule on the official WILD9 website at (www.wild9.org) for additional Congress information.

Are posters included in the Proceedings?

Yes! Full research or stewardship topical papers can be written and submitted for publication in the Proceedings. Posters are treated no differently than oral presentations in the Proceedings. Author guidelines for Proceedings papers are also attached in this e-mailing.

What should be included in the poster presentation?

- Title, followed by name and affiliation of the author(s)
- Abstract (always first) (100 words or less)
- Introduction and statement of purpose of presentation
- Photos of places discussed
- Methods or tasks involved
- Results of research or stewardship tasks
- Implications to protected area stewardship or research

Key points to remember in developing your poster.

Keep it simple - stick to key points and essential information with a minimum of text.
Make it self-explanatory -- viewers must be able to grasp the presentation if you are busy.
Make your poster easy to read -- large, bold lettering; bold, simple figures; clear layout.
Provide 8.5 x 11 sized copies of your poster or draft of your paper with your contact information for delegates to take home with them.

Displaying Your Poster

There are 2 basic display alternatives:

1. Bring your own, free-standing display board, on which your poster is already mounted and set this on the table provided, or it can be free-standing.
2. Bring your mounted or unmounted poster to affix it to the display panel that will be provided.

Each poster presentation that will be mounted on our poster boards will be allotted a vertical space 44 inches high x 44 inches wide (1.12 meters x 1.12 meters). This 44 x 44 space is the **MAXIMUM** you have — you may be sharing a 4 foot x 8 foot (1.22 meters x 2.44 meters) panel with another presenter. We highly recommend that you allot space for a title (using 4-inch [10.5 centimeter] high letters) running across the top of your poster; this will make it much easier for people strolling through the posters to immediately grasp your subject. Either straight pins or Velcro dots can be used to secure display materials to the panels. Masking or duct tape cannot be used. Each panel will have a 2 foot x 6 foot (61 centimeters x 1.83 meters) table placed directly underneath it (in front of it, in the case of computer demos) to use for any handouts or display copies of publications. You are responsible for bringing all materials needed to display your poster.

Please plan to *arrive with your poster 15-20 minutes prior* to the beginning of your session in order to set up your poster.

Good Luck in Preparing Your Poster Presentation for the 9th World Wilderness Congress!

ANY QUESTIONS?

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