

Quttinirpaaq National Park (Tanquary Fiord)

This is the main operations facility for Quttinirpaaq National Park. There are six weather haven-style structures designated for park operations, including a kitchen, 3 two-bedroom sleepers, an office, and a latrine. All buildings are heated and have solar power. There are also 3 weather haven structures for visitors including a large sleeper, kitchen, visitor centre and 2 latrines. There are several un-heated storage facilities on site including a large Quonset.



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Owner
[Parks Canada](#)

Membership
Regular Member

Website
www.pc.gc.ca/quttinirpaaq

Latitude
81.4

Longitude
-76.883333

Location
Tanquary Fiord

Nearest Community
Grise Fiord

Territory/ Province
Nunavut

Aboriginal Government/ Homeland
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through a Joint Park Management Committee as outlined in the Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement for Auyuittuq, Quttinirpaaq, and Sirmilik National Parks.

Facility Type

Seasonally-Operated Field Camp

Research Hinterland

Coastal, Glacier, Marine, Polar Desert, Sea Ice

Main Research Disciplines

Climatology, Environmental Sciences, Soil Science

Research History

During the original Defence Research Board Operation from 1962-1974 research at Tanquary Fiord focused on meteorological, oceanographic, and sea ice studies.

Current Projects

Weather monitoring; vegetation community monitoring; active layer monitoring.

Power

Generator, Solar, Wind

Communications

Satellite phone, VHF

Local Transportation

Air access only to the site

Equipment Storage

There are several un-heated storage facilities on site including a large Quonset.

Dormitory/Sleeping Facilities

Three two-bedroom sleepers, pending availability

Dining/Kitchen Facilities

One kitchen weather haven

Laboratory Facilities

N/A

Fuel Availability

Both Parks Canada, Polar Continental Shelf Program and Department of National Defence maintain fuel caches at Tanquary Fiord for operational needs only, except in the case of an emergency. Arrangements for fuel can be made through PCSP. Please see polar.nrcan.gc.ca for more details.

Research Requirements

Please contact the Research Coordinator for the Nunavut field Unit of Parks Canada at (867) 975-4762 or Nunavut.Research@pc.gc.ca

Special Rules and Regulations

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Local External Resources

None, a high degree of self-sufficiency is expected.

Nearest Medical Service

Nursing Station in Grise Fiord (570 km), and Iqaluit hospital (2440 km via Resolute), air access only

Safety Considerations

A high degree of self-sufficiency is expected. Anybody traveling to Quttinirpaaq National Park has to participate in a mandatory safety orientation delivered by Parks Canada staff.

Cost

No charge for permitted researchers.

Other Information

Site is accessible by Twin Otter or helicopter only

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