



## SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK MARA RIVER MIGRATION CROSSINGS GUIDELINE

Welcome to Serengeti National Park and we hope you enjoy your stay with us!

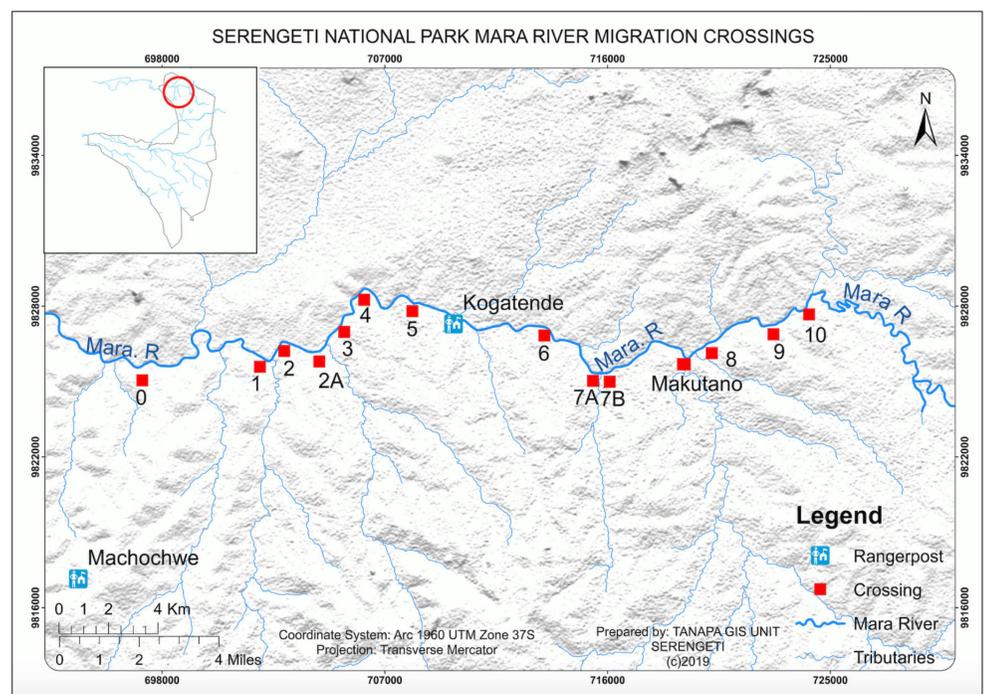
The Great Migration is the defining characteristic of the Serengeti-Mara Ecosystem.

Both the Mara River and the Great Migration are key conservation targets of the Serengeti National Park management authority. Park management understands that all visitors to this area need to get the best wildlife experience, without compromising the integrity of the Ecosystem.

**Please help us Conserve this beautiful Park by observing the following RULES AND REGULATIONS when going for Mara River crossings of the Migration, to make your own visit, and those of others, enjoyable:**

- General rules and regulations of the Park found on the back of your permit apply.
- Do not set up a table or undertake any picnic activity on the banks along the Mara River.
- When migrants are seen congregating for a crossing, all vehicles should remain stationary in the designated areas with clear signage.
- Once the animals start crossing the River, vehicles are permitted to slowly approach the River at a speed not exceeding 20km/h (No Rushing!).
- Animals that have crossed must be given sufficient space for them to pass freely (No Animal Blocking!).
- Vehicles at the designated crossing points (please see map below for locations) must be stationed on only one side of the Mara River as per the table below (to allow for unhindered views), and facing one direction (depending on the direction of light).
- When approaching the River during a crossing, make sure you do not go beyond the allowable distance from the river bank, as indicated in the table below for each crossing point.
- Please remain in your vehicle at all times (unless in emergency situations), in the designated areas and within the designated distances, where you can watch and photograph the animals crossing unhindered.

River crossing point identifier (see map)	Allowable distance from the River bank in meters	Permissible side of the Mara River (runs East-West in the Park)
No. 0 (zero)	80 m	One side only
No. 1	30 m	One side only
No. 2	30 m	One side only
No. 3	30 m	One side only
No. 4	30 m	The Northern side of the River only
No. 5	30 m	One side only
No. 6	30 m	Both sides of the river, depending on flooding
No. 7A	40 m	One side only
No. 7B	50 m	One side only
Makutano	60 m	One side only
No. 8	30 m	One side only
No. 9	20 m	One side only
No. 10	30 m	Northern side of the River, except when flooded.



**IMPORTANT:** Please be informed that Park Management may at any time designate areas within the Park off-limits to tourism activities for reasons such as:

- Preventing disturbance to breeding or calving of endangered species e.g. black rhino;
- Allowing for recovery of degraded vegetation from, for example, a heavily-used Migration crossing point;
- Extremely wet conditions which can cause extensive road damage.

If you have any concerns, or need to report an incident of any kind, please do not hesitate to speak to one of our tourism patrol vehicles, email us on [serengeti.tourism@tanzaniaparks.go.tz](mailto:serengeti.tourism@tanzaniaparks.go.tz) or phone our **hotline +255 689 062243**.

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