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The Worst Rule Ever

To the American colonists, the Royal Proclamation of 1763 must have seemed like the worst rule ever. In the aftermath of the French and Indian War, the proclamation prohibited colonial settlement west of the Appalachian Mountains. All land claims made by colonists or by colonies were eliminated. Parliament claimed the proclamation was made to prevent encroachment on native lands and to protect White settlers from attacks. The colonists countered that the free settlement of the land was the entire point of the French and Indian War. Many simply ignored the Royal Proclamation of 1763 and settled land anyway.

In the spirit of the colonial response to the Royal Proclamation of 1763, what is the worst rule that you have ever had to follow, or, that someone has tried to make you follow? Why was it so bad? If you can't think of a time you had to follow a terrible rule, think of one you've read about in literature or seen in the movies.