



Sharpen Our Skills

Recreation Passport

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Did you know that Michigan state parks are largely self-supporting?

Approximately 97% of state parks funding is generated by user fees (including the Recreation Passport) and royalty revenues; just 3% comes from Michigan's General Fund tax dollars.

What is the Michigan Recreation Passport?

A license-plate (or window sticker) system required for motorized vehicle access to state parks and recreation areas, state forests, boat launches, and state-managed boating access sites, and state forest campgrounds.

Why is it Helpful for our Parks?

The Passport provides funding for maintaining and improving Michigan's outdoor spaces and for protecting natural resources now and for the next generation. All revenue generated by Recreation Passport sales goes into a restricted fund that supports state park infrastructure and operations and a local grant program for community recreation agencies, state forest campgrounds and nonmotorized pathways and trails, cultural and historic resource restoration.

How much does it cost?

Vehicles \$13 and motorcycles \$7 when purchased at time of license plate registration renewal through the Secretary of State. \$5 service fee if purchased at a park location.

What Value will it bring to you and your family?

Your Passport will give you access to Michigan state parks and recreation areas, state forest campgrounds, and boating access sites for one low price. It provides year-round vehicle access to our outdoor spaces for recreation experiences such as camping, boating, fishing, hiking, fishing pier access, and thousands of miles of motorized and nonmotorized trails.



"100-plus state parks and recreation areas, more than 1,000 state-managed boating access sites, 140-plus state forest campgrounds, and parking at thousands of miles of trails and other outdoor spaces."