



Recreation Passport Replaces State Park Sticker

Fact Sheet

Updated 4-8-10

The Recreation Passport is Michigan's solution for funding your favorite recreation destinations, and it begins October 1, 2010.

Instead of spending \$24 for an annual motor vehicle permit or boating access permit, you will now be asked to support the Recreation Passport with a \$10 fee when renewing your vehicle registration with the Secretary of State.

When you opt-in, your \$10 will do so much more than get you into the state parks:

- **80%** will be used to rebuild and maintain your state parks and recreation areas.
- **10%** will be directed to your county, city and township parks through grant funding.
- **7%** will go toward your state forest campgrounds, pathways and non-motorized trails.
- **2.75%** will support your state park cultural and historic resources.
- **0.25%** will be used to educate and update you on the value of the Recreation Passport.

Opt-in and preserve parks for generations to come!

Since 2004, Michigan State Parks and Recreation Areas have received no state tax support and are primarily funded through user fees.

The Recreation Passport legislation was created to prevent drastic cuts to park and forest programs – and it will take the support of outdoor enthusiasts like you to make the idea a reality. Opt-in on every vehicle you register to support green spaces and recreation in your community and throughout Michigan.

Additional Info You Need to Know:

- Supporting the Recreation Passport gives you access to all 98 state parks and recreation areas, 133 state forest campgrounds, 879 miles of trails, and every state-administered boating access site in Michigan.
- Camping fees will remain in effect.
- When registering a motorcycle, the fee requested is just \$5.
- There will be a designation on your normal license plate registration sticker to indicate you have paid. Entering a park without opting-in will result in paying a Recreation Passport fee of up to \$20 or could result in a \$100 fine.
- Out of state visitors will still pay the \$8 daily, or \$29 annual fee for park and/or boating access site entrance.

View the complete legislation at www.michigan.gov/recreationpassport

For more information, ask state park staff or call 517-373-9900.

"The Department of Natural Resources and Environment is committed to the conservation, protection, management and accessible use and enjoyment of the state's environment, natural resources and related economic interests for current and future generations."