State of California – Natural Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

California State Parks
Golden Bear Pass

Terms and Conditions

California's State Park System is the largest in the country, offering some of the world's most varied natural wonders. No matter where you are headed, there are exciting activities to choose from. We hope you enjoy your upcoming visits and state park adventures!

California State Parks has rules and regulations to protect park areas for the enjoyment of future generations as well as for the convenience and safety of the park visitors. Please observe the terms and conditions listed below that apply to this pass and its use. Violation of the terms and conditions could result in pass revocation.

Duration

- This pass is valid January 1 through December 31 of the calendar year listed on the card.

Applicable Benefits

- This pass provides free vehicle day use at most units of the California State Park System operated by the California Department of Parks and Recreation.
- The vehicle day use benefit is applicable to one passenger vehicle with a capacity of nine persons or less or highway licensed motorcycle, occupied by the pass holder, where a vehicle day use fee is collected.
- Pass holders will not be assessed the Oversized Vehicle Fee (OVF).
- This pass is issued as a personal benefit to the pass holder and spouse or registered domestic partner (only if such persons are named on pass card).
- This pass may be used any day of the week (holidays included), during non-peak season, if space is available.

Using the Pass

- The pass holder is required to present the physical Golden Bear Pass (photocopies not accepted) and valid state-issued driver license or other suitable photo identification (interim/temporary not accepted) to receive applicable program discounts at California State Parks operated units.
- To receive pass benefits at self-pay locations, clearly display the pass on the vehicle's dashboard where it is visible through the windshield.

Restrictions

- The pass holder must abide by any and all rules and regulations applicable to California State Parks, including camping sites, or to the use of this pass, as amended from time to time.
- No priority will be given to pass holders. The use of facilities is on a "first- come, first-served" basis when space is available.

- The pass holder may not lend, loan, reassign, or resell any State Park pass or the privileges allowed to anyone.
- This pass's benefits may not be accepted at State Park units operated by federal or local government agencies, private agencies, or concessionaires.
- This pass is not valid for per-person entry or tour fees (such as museums), boat use, camping reservation discounts (including group and alternative campsites), special events, additional/extra vehicle fees, sanitation disposal use or for supplemental fees.
- This pass is not valid for commercial, industrial, or business use, including, but not limited to, fleet use or pooling.
- This pass cannot be used in conjunction with any other pass and/or discount.
- This pass holder may only hold one Golden Bear discount pass issued by California State Parks.
- This pass will be cancelled if the pass holder is found not to meet the program qualifications.
- This pass is subject to revocation for misconduct, including, but not limited to, dishonoring pass guidelines or abusing pass privileges.

Pass Purchase and Replacement Details

- All sales are final. No refunds will be made for any reason including, but not limited to, loss, theft, park closures or environmental conditions such as lower water levels, fire, or inclement weather.
- A lost, stolen, or damaged pass may be replaced through reapplication.

For questions about the Golden Bear pass program, please contact the California State Parks Pass Sales Office at (800) 777-0369 ext. 2 or (916) 653-8280.

Our Mission

The mission of the California Department of Parks and Recreation is to provide for the health, inspiration and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting its most valued natural and cultural resources, and creating opportunities for high-quality outdoor recreation.