Keep Colorado Wild Pass

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the Keep Colorado Wild Pass?

Starting on Jan. 1, 2023, the Keep Colorado Wild Pass is a \$29 annual state park pass included in the Colorado vehicle registration process through the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Learn more: cpw.info/keepcoloradowildpass

Why buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass?

Colorado's great outdoors and wildlife are among our most treasured resources. Your \$29 purchase provides entry to state parks, protects wildlife, lands and water, supports search and rescue programs and funds new trails and park maintenance.

What will the Keep Colorado Wild Pass look like?

When you hold a Keep Colorado Wild Pass, a Colorado Parks and Wildlife logo will be printed on your vehicle registration card from the DMV.

When can I buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass?

Starting Jan. 1, 2023, the pass can be purchased during the Colorado vehicle registration process through the DMV.

How long is the Keep Colorado Wild Pass valid?

The pass is valid for one year or until the current vehicle registration expires. Colorado residents will have the option to buy or decline the pass every year during the vehicle registration process through the DMV.

What outdoor activities are included with the Keep Colorado Wild Pass?

The pass provides entry to all Colorado state parks. For information on outdoor recreation and to find a Colorado State Parks Map, visit <u>cpw.state.co.us</u>.

What if my \$80-120 Annual State Park Pass is still valid when I'm eligible to buy a \$29 Keep Colorado Wild Pass during my 2023 vehicle registration?

Colorado Parks and Wildlife is determining how to best refund this type of overlap, and a plan will be available soon to address "dual" valid passes. More information will be posted on cpw.info/keepcoloradowildpass.

If I don't own a car or I am not a Colorado resident, can I buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass?

No. The pass is only offered to Colorado residents during the annual Colorado vehicle registration process through the DMV. All regularly priced CPW daily or annual park passes are still available to customers ineligible to buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass.

If I already own a CPW specialty park pass or DMV specialty vehicle plate that gives me free entry into state parks, do I need to buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass?

In 2023, get a \$29 Keep Colorado Wild Pass with your vehicle registration. The Pass: > Includes entry to state parks > Protects wildlife, lands and water > Supports search and rescue programs > Funds trails and local community projects > Helps make the outdoors safe and available to all All of Colorado wins when you stay opted in.

No, you can decline the pass. Your CPW-issued specialty park pass (Columbine, Centennial, Blue Spruce, Independence, Volunteer or Military Pass) already authorizes you free or lower-cost entrance to Colorado state parks. All military plates and registration cards will include the pass with no additional fee.

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Benefits:

The new Keep Colorado Wild Pass gives all Coloradans an easy way to support Colorado's natural resources, outdoor recreation, wildlife and local communities in an important and meaningful way.

- How will money from the Keep Colorado Wild Pass benefit Colorado residents? The goal is to generate at least \$36 million annually. The first \$32.5 million will go toward state park maintenance and development, the next \$2.5 million will go towards search and rescue and \$1 million to the Colorado Avalanche Information Center. Any revenue beyond that will go to building more state parks, wildlife projects and outdoor educational programs. Read the 10 pass funding goals, visit <u>cpw.info/keepcoloradowildpass</u>.
- How will the pass support search and rescue programs? With the Keep Colorado Wild Pass sales, there may be \$2.5 million generated funds annually that will be used to better support the volunteer and equipment needs of the Colorado backcountry search and rescue system.
 - How will the pass help wildlife? The 50% of funds in excess needed for state parks and outdoor safety will be used to support the State Wildlife Action Plan, which helps fund wildlife and habitat conservation work for the 960 species that CPW manages.

How to use the pass:

Simply show your vehicle registration card that shows your purchase to the CPW staff at any staffed entrance station when asked. If the entrance is not staffed, you may enter the park with the knowledge that you may be checked for proof of purchase while in the park.

- I have multiple vehicles. Do I have to buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass when I register each vehicle? Yes. The Keep Colorado Wild Pass purchased during your annual vehicle registration with the DMV is linked to the specific vehicle being registered. The pass is not transferable between vehicles.
- What if I lose my vehicle registration card? Please contact your <u>local DMV location</u> for information on how to replace your lost vehicle registration card. When you get a new registration card, your previous pass purchase will show on your card.
- How do I decline the Keep Colorado Wild Pass? The pass fee is included in the vehicle registration pricing total to make purchasing and investing in Colorado's outdoors an easy step during the annual vehicle registration process. However, residents will have the option to decline the pass. Details about the decline process are being finalized by the DMV at this time. More information will be posted on cpw.info/keepcoloradowildpass.



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