

# Keep Colorado Wild Pass



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What is the new Keep Colorado Wild Pass?

Colorado residents can get a \$29 annual state parks pass when registering a car, motorcycle, recreation vehicle or light truck through the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV).

The Keep Colorado Wild Pass gives you entry to all Colorado state parks (see a Colorado State Parks Map). It also funds search and rescue teams, avalanche safety and outdoor education.

### What does the Keep Colorado Wild Pass look like?

When you buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass, a Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) logo is printed on your vehicle registration card from the DMV. Your registration card is your state parks pass. No additional window sticker or receipt is required or provided.

### How do I use my Keep Colorado Wild Pass at a Colorado state park?

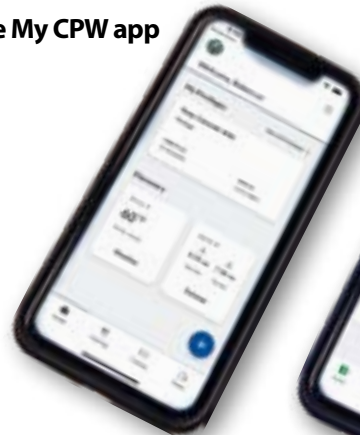
Simply show your vehicle registration card with the CPW logo to enter a park. If the park entrance is not staffed, you can enter, but may be asked to show your pass at any time. You will not receive a window sticker in the mail. Do not display your vehicle registration on your dashboard.

### Can I display my pass on my phone?

Yes. Turn your Keep Colorado Wild Pass digital for each vehicle.

1. Link the pass to your new or existing CPWshop.com account. (See Linking Guides online).
2. Download the My CPW app or the MyColorado app.
3. Show your pass on your phone to enter a Colorado state park.

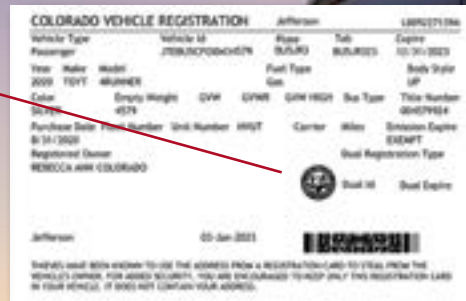
The My CPW app



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### **How do I buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass?**

Colorado residents can buy the pass through the DMV when they register a motorcycle, recreation vehicle, motor vehicle or light truck. You can only buy the pass during your vehicle registration through the DMV; it cannot be purchased at CPW locations.

### **How long is the Keep Colorado Wild Pass valid?**

The pass is valid for the length of your vehicle registration and expires with your registration card expiration date. Colorado residents can get or opt out of the pass every year during the vehicle-registration process.

### **What does the pass not include?**

This pass does not grant access to city parks, national parks, federal recreation fee areas, state wildlife areas or state trust lands. Camping, fishing, hunting, boats, snowmobiles and OHVs still require the appropriate reservations, licenses and registrations.

### **Can I enter a state park on foot or by bike?**

Yes. You can show your Keep Colorado Wild Pass to enter state parks and recreation areas without a vehicle and enter with up to three additional visitors aged 16 and older. Coloradans 16 years old or younger can visit state parks for free.

### **I have multiple vehicles. Do I have to get a Keep Colorado Wild Pass when registering each vehicle?**

Yes, if you plan to use that vehicle to access state parks. The pass is linked to your license plate during your annual vehicle registration with the DMV and is only linked to the registered vehicle. The pass is not transferable between vehicles.

### **What if I lose my vehicle registration card?**

You can request a duplicate registration at [myDMV.Colorado.gov](http://myDMV.Colorado.gov), at any MV Kiosk location or with your county motor vehicle office. The reprinted registration card will show the CPW logo like the original one.

### **I already have a valid state park pass at the time of my vehicle registration. Can I get a refund?**

If you have a regular-priced annual parks pass (Aspen Leaf Annual, Vehicle-Affixed Annual, Family Annual or Annual Multiple passes) at the time that you choose to get the Keep Colorado Wild Pass, you can request a monthly prorated refund on the original regularly priced annual pass. To be eligible for the refund, you must have held the original pass for less than nine months.

Customers will be refunded to the card on file in the system used for online or phone purchases. All other pass refunds will be paid in the form of a check. Checks may take up to 90 days for customers to receive.

### **How do I request a refund?**

Read the Keep Colorado Wild Pass Refund Guide.

1. Link the Keep Colorado Wild Pass to a new or existing CPWshop.com customer account. Follow the New CPWShop.com Customer Linking Guide and Existing CPWShop.com Customer Linking Guide or contact the CPW Call Center at 303-297-1192 (8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mon. to Fri.).
2. View the “Active Products” on your account summary. Select the product you want a refund for (i.e., your overlapping annual vehicle park pass or your Keep Colorado Wild Pass). Make sure to select the correct product. Once a refund is issued, we cannot reverse it.
3. Click the “Request Refund” button. A “Request Refund” button will not appear if you are ineligible for a refund on that product.

### **How much will my refund be?**

A refund for the Keep Colorado Wild Pass will be \$29 if eligible. The refund amount for an overlapping annual vehicle park pass will be prorated. The refund will be issued by check to the mailing address listed on your CPWshop.com account or back to your credit card.

### **Is there a lower-cost park pass option for income-eligible residents?**

Yes. CPW offers a \$14 Centennial State Park Pass to income-eligible residents. Residents can opt out of the Keep Colorado Wild Pass during their vehicle registration and then complete the online pass form or visit a CPW state park to purchase a Centennial State Park Pass.

### **If I already own a CPW specialty park pass that gives me free or lower-cost entry into state parks, do I need to get a Keep Colorado Wild Pass?**

No. Your CPW-issued specialty park pass (Columbine, Centennial, Blue Spruce, Independence, Volunteer or Military pass) already authorizes free or lower-cost entrance to all Colorado state parks.

### **Can I get a senior camping discount?**

Yes. Residents age 64 and older can get a discounted camping rate (\$3 per night) on Primitive, Basic, Electric and Full Hookup sites, Sunday through Thursday, excluding holidays. You must link your Keep Colorado Wild Pass to a new or existing CPWshop.com customer account before you make your camping reservations.

The discounts cannot be retroactively applied to the reservation. Follow the New CPWShop.com Customer Linking Guide or Existing CPWShop.com Customer Linking Guide or contact the CPW Call Center at 303-297-1192 (8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mon. to Fri.).

**If I own a specialty license plate that gives me free entry into state parks, do I need to buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass?**

Colorado residents with any applicable fee-exempt military license plates, Colorado Disabled Veterans or Purple Heart license plates may access Colorado state parks for free; if you renew your vehicle registration online, stay opted in and the pass will be added at no cost. The veteran must be present in the vehicle to use the pass. For more information, read the DMV Frequently Asked Questions at [dmv.colorado.gov](http://dmv.colorado.gov).

**I don't own a vehicle. Can I get a nonmotor vehicle state park pass for \$29?**

Yes. A nonmotor vehicle \$29 Individual Annual Pass is available on [CPWshop.com](http://CPWshop.com) or at your local CPW office or state park. This pass is only for individuals accessing state parks without a motor vehicle.

**I am not a Colorado resident. Can I buy a Keep Colorado Wild Pass?**

No. All regularly priced Colorado state park passes are still available to nonresidents.

**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 toward search and rescue teams and \$1 million to the Colorado Avalanche Information Center. Any revenue beyond that will go to wildlife projects and outdoor educational programs.

**Will the Keep Colorado Wild Parks Pass include the Cherry Creek Water Basin stamp?**

No. Customers must purchase a Cherry Creek Water Basin stamp if they visit Cherry Creek State Park. The physical or digital version (My CPW App) of the Cherry Creek Water Basin stamp can be shown as proof of purchase.

**What type of vehicle is ineligible to get a Keep Colorado Wild Pass through vehicle registration?**

International Registration Plan (IRP), trailers, government vehicles and vehicles with farm plates are not included in the Keep Colorado Wild Pass program. For more information, read the DMV Frequently Asked Questions at [dmv.colorado.gov](http://dmv.colorado.gov).

**How do I opt out of the Keep Colorado Wild Pass?**

You can opt out of the pass during the annual registration process with the DMV online, through a kiosk, by mail or in person with a customer service representative. Same-day reversals can be done at any DMV office.

- If in person, tell the county clerk you are declining the Keep Colorado Wild Pass.
- If online or at a kiosk, there will be a prompt during the transaction asking if you want the Keep Colorado Wild Pass. Select "No" to opt out of the pass.
- If you are mailing your vehicle registration renewal to the county, your renewal card for most counties (beginning with Jan. 2023 cards) will have the amounts with and without the pass. Write the check for the amount that does not include the \$29 pass.
- Check with your local DMV Office for any questions about the registration total.

**I opted out of getting the Keep Colorado Wild Pass during my last vehicle registration, can I opt in during my next renewal?**

Yes. You can opt in to get the pass during the vehicle-registration process with the DMV online, through a kiosk, by mail or in person with a customer service representative.

- If in person, tell the county clerk you want the Keep Colorado Wild Pass.
- If online or at a kiosk, there will be a prompt during the transaction asking if you want the Keep Colorado Wild Pass. Select "Yes" to get the pass.
- If mailing your vehicle registration renewal to the county, your renewal card for most counties will have the amounts with and without the pass. Write the check for the amount that includes the \$29 pass.
- Check with your local DMV office for any questions about the registration total.