



## **No Discover Pass required on these days in 2026**

**OLYMPIA** – Washington’s state land management agencies have designated 12 Discover Pass free days for 2026, creating more opportunities for visitors to experience our state’s beauty.

On these free days, a Discover Pass is not required to park at Washington state parks or on lands managed by the Washington State Department of Natural Resources and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. Sno-Park permits are still required when visiting Sno-Parks.

Each of the Discover Pass free days celebrates an important day of the year with the opportunity to get outside and enjoy the restorative impact of nature with friends, family or in a moment of well-deserved solitude.

### **The 2026 dates are:**

- **Thursday, Jan. 1 – New Year’s Day**
- **Monday, Jan. 19 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
- **Monday, March 9 – Billy Frank Jr.’s birthday**
- **Thursday, March 19 – State Parks’ 113th birthday**
- **Wednesday, April 22 – Earth Day**
- **Saturday and Sunday, June 6-7 – Free Fishing Weekend**
- **Friday, June 19 – Juneteenth**
- **Sunday, Aug. 9 – Smokey Bear’s birthday**
- **Saturday, Sept. 26 – National Public Lands Day**
- **Saturday, Oct. 10 – World Mental Health Day**
- **Wednesday, Nov. 11 – Veterans Day**

The annual pass is \$45 and provides unlimited day-use parking for everyone in the passholder's vehicle, making it convenient and cost-effective for groups, families and households carpooling in one vehicle. The pass is valid for an entire year from the month it is purchased and can be transferred between two vehicles.

The Discover Pass can be used at:

- Over 100 state parks
- 350 recreation sites
- 700 water access spots
- More than 90 Natural Areas and Natural Resources Conservation Areas
- 33 wildlife areas

The Discover Pass provides critical funding for State Parks, DNR and WDFW. These funds support recreation and conservation opportunities, keeping bathrooms cleaned and trails maintained, caring for the health of forests and protecting seashores for generations to come.

Learn more about the Discover Pass: <https://parks.wa.gov/passes-permits/get-park-pass/discover-pass>