

## **New York State residents: You may be able to visit our state parks for free!**

**To qualify, you must be 62 or older, or have a disability.**

### **New York State Golden Park Program**

This is for New York State residents 62 or older. No application is needed. Simply show your New York State Driver License at the park entrance.\* Or, show your New York State Non-Driver Identification Card. Either of these will serve as your pass.

This program gives you free vehicle access to most\* state parks, boat launch sites, and arboretums. You can also access state historic sites and state-operated\* golf courses for a discount. Offered Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Questions? Please call State Parks at 518-474-0456, or write:  
Golden Park Program  
State Parks  
Albany, NY 12238

### **New York State Access Pass Program**

The Access Pass allows use not only of state parks, but also of boat launches, arboretums, state historic sites, and state-operated recreational facilities.\*\* The Pass is not valid for amenities, such as some services or locations operated by an outside concessionaire.

To apply for an Access Pass, you must be a New York State resident and provide proof of disability. The application describes how to do this. You must also provide a recent photo of yourself. It will be attached to your Pass.

- [Individual Access Pass Application \(pdf\)](#)
- [Individual Access Pass Guidelines \(pdf\)](#)

The disabilities below are eligible. They're fully described in the application.

- AM - amputee
- BL - blind
- DD - developmentally disabled
- DF - deaf
- MH - mental health
- VA - disabled veteran
- WC - nonambulatory wheelchair user

Mail your completed application, and all required materials, to:

Access Pass  
State Parks  
Albany, NY 12238

Questions? Please call State Parks at 518-474-2324 during normal business hours. Or, email [accesspass@parks.ny.gov](mailto:accesspass@parks.ny.gov). Allow 2-4 weeks for the application to be processed.

*\*free vehicle access is not valid at Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park, Earl W. Brydges Artpark State Park, Fahnestock Winter Park, and Oak Orchard State Marine Park.*

*\*\*operated by the New York State Office of Parks & Recreation and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.*