

Access Permits at Mt. Spokane

Different access permits are required depending upon where you leave your vehicle as follows:

1. **Roadside Parking:** A Discover Pass (daily or annual) is required for roadside pullout winter parking outside of designated Sno-Park lots within Mt. Spokane State Park.
2. **Lower Loop Road (the Hairpin) Sno-Park Lot:** A regular Sno-Park (daily or annual) is required during the Sno-Park season (mid-November-April). A Discover Pass is not required for those with an annual Sno-Park permit, but it is required for those with only a daily Sno-Park permit.
3. **Snowmobile and Selkirk Lodge Lots:** For annual Sno-Park permit holders, the additional special grooming sticker is required. The Discover Pass is not simultaneously required. For those with a daily Sno-Park permit, a Discover Pass is simultaneously required, but a special grooming permit is not required.
4. **Downhill Ski Area Parking Areas:** Neither a Sno-Park nor a Discover Pass is required for those purchasing a lift ticket, tubing ticket, or for those skiing with a season pass. However, a Discover Pass is required on days when the ski area is closed and for those using the lot for another type of recreation.
5. During the **summer season**, a Discover Pass is required to access the Park with a motor vehicle.
6. Year round access to neighboring **Inland Empire Paper Company lands** requires a recreational access permit. Annual permits are \$40 per person or \$65 per family. Daily permits are \$10 per vehicle, including all occupants. Permits can be purchased at White's Outdoor in Spokane at 4002 E. Ferry and at Wholesale Sports in Coeur d'Alene at 3534 N. Government Way. See the IEPCO website at iepcoco.com/recreation.htm for additional locations, road maps, and the latest information about the permit system. Skiers using the groomed nordic trails do not need this pass.

When making your decision regarding whether to buy a daily permit or an annual permit, remember that Sno-Park permits are good throughout Washington, and Discover Passes apply not only to all Washington State Parks, but to Department of Natural Resources and Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Recreation lands as well. To obtain Sno-Park and Discover Passes online and for more information, go to www.parks.wa.gov.

Discover Passes can be purchased at all sporting goods stores that sell hunting and fishing licenses. They can also be purchased at the Park office for cash or check. They are valid for one year from the date of purchase. A complete list of dealers is available at www.discoverpass.wa.gov or by calling toll free 1-866-320-9933. Passes may also be purchased at the Discover Pass website. The penalty for not having a pass is \$99.00. Revenue from the pass goes to State Parks, the Department of Natural Resources, and Fish and Wildlife, with most of the funding going to State Parks to help make up for the loss of general fund money. As of July 2011, passes are \$30 annually or \$10 per day. There is an additional dealer fee of \$2.00 for the annual pass and \$0.50 for the day-use pass. The Discover Pass is also required to park at Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife and Washington Dept. of Natural Resources parking areas. The Discover Pass went into effect July 1, 2011.

Buying Your Sno-Park Permit

To park in any of over 45 Sno-Parks in Washington State, including the three Sno-Park parking lots in Mt. Spokane State Park, you need to purchase a Sno-Park permit. A one day permit is \$20. For the full season (November-April), permits are \$40 for areas without special grooming like the Lower Kit Carson Loop Road (hairpin) lot, and \$80 for areas which include special grooming like the snowmobile lot and the Selkirk Lodge nordic skiing lot at Mt. Spokane. There is an additional \$2.00 vendor fee for annual permits if not purchased directly from the state. Permits can be purchased on-line at www.parks.wa.gov/winter. Permits can also be purchased at the following local dealers:

Mt. Spokane State Park Office at the Park entrance. (509) 238-4258. Cash and checks only. Staff are not always available.

Mt. Spokane Ski and Snowboard Park, Lodge 2. (509) 238-2220. Drive straight past the turnoff for the nordic area and Selkirk Lodge and proceed to the end of the road to reach Lodge 2. Lodge is generally closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Yoke's Fresh Market 14202 N. Market, Mead, WA (509) 242-0200.

Fitness Fanatics 12425 E. Trent, Spokane Valley, WA. (509) 922-6080.

North Division Bicycle 10503 N. Division, Spokane, WA (509) 467-2453.

REI 1125 N. Monroe, Spokane, WA (509) 328-3908.

Mountain Gear 730 N. Hamilton, Spokane, WA (509) 326-8180.

Spokane Parks & Recreation 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd. Spokane, WA (509) 625-6246.

Southside Auto License 2933 E. 29th Ave. Spokane, WA (509) 534-6022.