



Park & Read

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How many passes will be issued to libraries if the distribution is based on legal service areas?

A: Class 1: pop 0-3,999 2
Class 2: pop 4,000-6,999 4
Class 3: pop 7,000-11,999 4
Class 4: pop 12,000-25,999 4
Class 5: pop 26,000-49,999 8
Class 6: pop 50,000-950,000 8, plus 10 additional per system to be placed at their discretion

Q: Is there a limit to the number of passes given out per day? Is the project designed so that libraries will have passes to offer throughout the program period?

A: Treat this pass like any circulating material. You may assign it a material type. You will receive a laminated shelf card to represent each pass. When someone “checks out” the pass, the shelf card will be out of circulation for a 7-day period. At the end of the 7 days it can be returned to the shelf for someone else to “check out.” This shelf card can set to automatically expire so it doesn’t have to be “checked in.” Cards can be kept behind the desk in an index or accordion file for retrieval.

Q: Will this apply to MichiCard and seasonal cardholders?

A: MichiCard libraries are not obligated to check out passes to MichiCard patrons, but they may choose to do so. This is a voluntary program and some libraries may choose not to enroll.

Q: Are minors eligible to receive the passes?

A: Yes, minors are allowed to check out the pass if they have a valid card from their home library.

Q: Will the program require a lot of paperwork for the libraries? Is it necessary to retain the names of the patrons who receive the passes?

A: The Park & Read pass may be checked out as any other circulating material. Stamp the date of expiration on the pass. There is no reason to retain patron information; statistics are kept by the DNR.

Q: Will you provide a press release kit including logos, graphics, etc., that can be locally tailored and submitted to our community contacts and added to our websites?

A: Yes, and the Department of Natural Resources will also be doing statewide promotion of the program. You will receive the laminated shelf cards, park passes and posters.

Q: May cardholders receive multiple passes throughout the program period?

A: Yes. If the pass is in circulation, then it is available for anyone to use. Treat the pass as you would any other circulating material.