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Park Act

BC Parks Recreation User Fees Regulation

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Definitions

- 1 In this regulation:
- "**Act**" means the *Park Act*;
- "**adult**" means a person 16 years of age or older;
- "**backcountry**" means an area in a park, conservancy or recreation area that is not frontcountry;
- "**camp**" means to occupy a campsite, to set up a tent or other shelter or to remain overnight;
- "**campsite**" means an area in a park, conservancy or recreation area developed by the ministry to accommodate persons who wish to camp;
- "**child**" means a person under 16 years of age;
- "**dock**" means a structure connected to dry land and used for the purposes of mooring a vessel;

- "frontcountry"** means an area in a park, conservancy or recreation area within one kilometre of either side of the centreline of a park road or a highway;
- "group"** means 15 or more persons;
- "group campsite"** means a campsite developed by the ministry to accommodate a group or a youth group;
- "ministry"** means the ministry of the minister charged with the administration of the *Park Act*;
- "mooring buoy"** means a float, anchored in water and not connected to dry land, that is used for the purpose of mooring a vessel;
- "off season"** means the period from the day after Labour Day to June 14 of the following year;
- "park"** includes any land, trail, path or waterway comprised in an order under section 6 (1) (a) to (g) of the Act;
- "party"** means up to 8 persons, of whom at least one, but no more than 4, is an adult, and who may have with them
- (a) one recreational vehicle,
 - (b) one non-recreational vehicle, or
 - (c) one non-recreational vehicle and one legally towed trailer that is not a trailer primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational or travel use;
- "recreational vehicle"** means a self-propelled vehicle or a trailer, primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational or travel use;
- "senior"** means a resident of the Province who is 65 years of age or older;
- "summer season"** means the period from June 15 to Labour Day;
- "vessel"** means a boat, canoe, kayak or other craft used, or capable of being used, for navigation on water;
- "youth group"** means 12 or more persons
- (a) undertaking a camping trip or day use trip organized by a school, not-for-profit society or recreational centre operated by a municipality or regional district for the benefit of the members of the youth group who are under 19 years of age, and
 - (b) supervised by a representative of the school, not-for-profit society or recreational centre who is 19 years of age or older.

[am. B.C. Regs. 378/2010, s. 1; 82/2011, s. (a).]

Tax under *Excise Tax Act* (Canada)

2 All fees include the tax imposed under Part IX of the *Excise Tax Act* (Canada).

[am. B.C. Reg. 115/2010.]

Fee ranges

3 The fee ranges set out in Column 2 of Table 1 for the use or service set out in Column 1 are prescribed for the purposes of section 29.2 (1) of the Act.

Table 1		
Item	Column 1	Column 2

	Use or service	Fee range
1	frontcountry camping	\$5–\$35 per party or vessel per night
2	backcountry camping	\$5–\$10 per person per night
3	use of a group campsite by a group	\$20 – \$120 per group campsite per night (base rate) plus \$1 – \$5 per adult per night, and \$1 – \$5 per child per night. <i>Minimum fee per group campsite per night:</i> the base rate plus the fee for 15 adults.
4	use of a group campsite by a youth group	\$1 – \$2 per person per night. <i>Minimum fee per group campsite per night:</i> \$50. <i>Maximum fee per group campsite per night:</i> \$150.
5	sani-station	\$2–\$5 per use
6	group picnic site rentals	\$28–\$60 per group per use
7	cabin rentals	\$4–\$42 per person per night
8	docking	\$2 per metre per vessel per use not exceeding 24 hours
9	mooring buoys	\$9–\$14 per vessel per night
10	annual vessel camping	\$600 per vessel per year
11	Bowron Lakes canoe circuit	\$30–\$60 per person

[am. B.C. Reg. 378/2010, s. 2.]

Specific fees

- 4 (1) The fee ranges prescribed in section 3 do not apply to the parks, conservancies and recreation areas listed in Table 2, and instead the specific fees in Table 2 apply to those parks, conservancies and recreation parks.
- (2) The specific fees set out in Column 3 of Table 2 are prescribed for the purposes of section 29.2 (1) of the Act for the use or services listed in Column 2 for the corresponding park, conservancy or recreation area listed in Column 1.

Table 2			
Item	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Park, conservancy or recreation area	Use or service	Fee
1-3	Repealed. [B.C. Reg. 378/2010, s. 3.]		
4	Khutzeymateen	backcountry camping	\$15 per person per night
5	Liard River Hot Springs	day use area	Daily: \$5 per adult per day \$3 per child per day \$10 per family per day Annual: \$10 per person per year \$20 per family per year
6	Repealed. [B.C. Reg. 82/2011, s. (b).]		

7-9	Repealed. [B.C. Reg. 378/2010, s. 3.]		
10	Maquinna Marine	day use area	\$3 per person per day
11	Repealed. [B.C. Reg. 82/2011, s. (b).]		
12	Peace Arch	group picnic building rental	\$200 per group per use
13	Tatshenshini-Alsek	river rafting trip (Dry Bay take out) between August 31 and July 5	\$100 per person per trip
14	Tatshenshini-Alsek	river rafting trip (Dry Bay take out) between July 6 and August 30	\$125 per person per trip
15	Tatshenshini-Alsek	river rafting trip (other than Dry Bay take out)	\$25 per person per day
16	Tweedsmuir (North)	camping	\$50 per vessel or aircraft per trip
17	Tweedsmuir (North)	use of portage equipment	\$50 per vessel for each direction of a trip

[am. B.C. Regs. 378/2010, s. 3; 82/2011, s. (b).]

Repealed

5 Repealed. [B.C. Reg. 378/2010, s. 4.]

Fees for vessels

6 The fee for the overnight use of dock and mooring buoy facilities applies to vessels that tie or anchor to another vessel using the dock or mooring buoy facilities.

Repealed

7 Repealed. [B.C. Reg. 82/2011, s. (c).]

Repealed

8 Repealed. [B.C. Reg. 82/2011, s. (c).]

Exemptions for children under the age of 6

9 If a fee established in this regulation or in a directive by the minister is payable per person or per child the fee does not apply to a child under the age of 6.

[en. B.C. Reg. 378/2010, s. 5.]

Exemptions for persons with disabilities

10 The fees established in this regulation or in a directive by the minister for the use of a frontcountry campsite do not apply to a party containing one or more persons who produce BC Parks approved evidence of receiving federal or provincial income assistance for persons with disabilities.

[am. B.C. Reg. 82/2011, s. (d).]

Exemptions for volunteers

11 The fees established in this regulation or in a directive by the minister for the use of a frontcountry campsite do not apply to volunteers working on a project or providing a service in a park, conservancy or recreation area that has been approved by a park officer.

[am. B.C. Reg. 82/2011, s. (d).]

Exemptions from fees during off season

12 The fees established in this regulation or in a directive by the minister for the use of a frontcountry campsite do not apply during the off season when no services and only limited, if any, facilities are available.

Off season camping fees for seniors

13 (1) Subject to section 12, if a party includes at least one senior and all the other adults in the party, if any, are either seniors or spouses of seniors in the party, the fee for the use of a frontcountry campsite during the off season

(a) is calculated at one half of the summer season frontcountry camping fee established by regulation or directive of the minister for that campsite, or

(b) is the off season frontcountry camping fee established by regulation or directive of the minister for that campsite, whichever is lower.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to the use of a group campsite.

[en. B.C. Reg. 378/2010, s. 6.]

Fees for second non-recreational vehicle

14 (1) A party that is authorized by a park officer to have a second non-recreational vehicle on a campsite must pay a fee of one half the camping fee per night established in this regulation or in a directive by the minister up to a maximum of \$12.

(2) A party that is authorized by a park officer to have a second non-recreational vehicle in a designated long-stay campsite is exempt from the fee for the second non-recreational vehicle.

[Provisions relevant to the enactment of this regulation: *Park Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 344, sections 29 and 29.2]

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