

Mount Rainier National Park

















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Wilderness and Climbing Permits 2022

Wilderness and Climbing Permits are managed on a quota system. Some quota is reservable online; the rest is available on a first-come, first-served basis at a Ranger Station. There are three ways to obtain a permit. The Early Access Lottery offers applicants the chance to reserve quota in advance of the general public. The remaining reservable quota is released after the Early Access period. First-come, first-served permits will be available at Wilderness Information Centers during the summer.

 Early-Access Lottery	 General On-Sale	 First-Come, First-Served
 <p>The Early-Access Lottery assigns successful applicants an access window, a specific date and time to attempt to reserve a permit prior to the General On-Sale date. It does not guarantee a permit.</p>	 <p>The General On-Sale opens April 25, 2022. The Early-Access Lottery and General On-Sale provide access to approximately 70% of permit inventory. First-come, first-served permits account for the remaining 30%.</p>	 <p>So-called "Walk-Up" permits are available on a first-come, first-served basis in person at the Wilderness Information Center inside Mount Rainier National Park May 27-October 10, 2022.</p>
 <p>Step 1: Login to Recreation.gov and search for "Mount Rainier National Park Wilderness and Climbing Permits" to apply. Successful entries will be notified and awarded an Early-Access Period window. Step 2: During their assigned Early Access Period window, the individual will login to Recreation.gov to view real-time available inventory, and make up to one reservation. Step 3: After the reservation is complete, the reservation holder must visit a park Wilderness Information Center on the day their trip starts (or the day before) to activate their permit.</p>	 <p>Step 1: Login to Recreation.gov and search for "Mount Rainier National Park Wilderness and Climbing Permits". Step 2: View site availability in real time and create an itinerary. After identifying a desired trip with availability, complete the permit reservation. Step 3: After the reservation is complete, the reservation holder must visit a park Wilderness Information Center on the day their trip starts (or the day before) to activate their permit.</p>	 <p>Step 1: Optionally, before arriving at the park, visit Recreation.gov and search for "Mount Rainier National Park Wilderness and Climbing Permits." Click "check availability" to see what sites are still available for the next few days to help plan your itinerary. Step 2: On the day before or the day of, visit a Wilderness Information Center where a ranger can issue a permit based on availability on a first-come-first-served basis. Visitors should be open to alternative trips since first choices may not be available.</p>
 <p>The Early-Access Lottery opens on February 21, 2022 and closes at 9 pm PT on March 7, 2022. Awardees are notified by email on March 14 with their assigned Early Access Period window. The Early-Access Period runs between March 21-April 19. Throughout that period there are six Early Access windows per day with 10 early access applicants per window. Once the applicant's assigned window has opened, they can reserve one reservation anytime before 9 pm PT April 19, 2022.</p>	 <p>The General On-Sale is available starting 7 am PT April 25, for trips between May 27 and October 10. Reservations must be made at least two days in advance of desired trip start date. (Some climbing quota will be available starting April 29).</p>	 <p>Walk-Up permits are available up to one day before a desired trip start date. Individuals with flexible trip destinations have a better chance of obtaining a permit.</p>
 <p>There is a \$6 non-refundable fee to participate in the Early Access Lottery. There is an additional \$20 recreation fee to complete the reservation.</p>	 <p>There is a \$6 non-refundable transaction fee. There is an additional \$20 reservation fee.</p>	 <p>There is a \$6 non-refundable transaction fee. Credit/debit card only.</p>
 <p>For current information, please visit www.nps.gov/mora</p>		