

Be Informed

Westchester County [park passes \(/2015-02-06-20-39-05/170-activities/1828-park-passes\)](/2015-02-06-20-39-05/170-activities/1828-park-passes) are available only to Westchester residents. The park pass enables holders to use all county-owned park facilities and provides discounts in user and parking fees where applicable. Get your pass early in the season to get the maximum benefit from it.

Did you know that permits are required for [group picnics \(/group-picnicking-and-activities\)](/group-picnicking-and-activities) of 26 people or more? Call (914) 231-4575 for more information, reservations and to check availability of picnic areas.

Athletic fields are available at Tibbetts Brook Park. Advance reservations are required. Call (914) 231-4575 for more information.

Before you start for a park, check out if you'll need your park pass and if parking fees will be collected. It's always good to know the opening and closing hours of the park. Check this information by going to [Parks and Recreational Areas \(/parks-and-destinations/parks-and-recreational-areas\)](/parks-and-destinations/parks-and-recreational-areas) selecting the park you'll be visiting.

Have you ever considered [volunteering \(/volunteers\)](/volunteers) your time to help in the parks? We have many fun opportunities for residents to actively participate in the upkeep of our parks.

We do our best to keep our parks safe. Did you know that hunting is not permitted in any county park or property? We also prohibit the use of metal detection devices.

The use of model aviation, including drones, are prohibited.

For non-commercial, personal-use photography, a permit and fee are required; please call the Parks Permit Office at (914) 231-4575. For commercial-use photography, contact the Tourism and Film Office at (914) 995-8500.

Just as we enjoy the open space and fresh air of a park, so do our pets. Dogs are allowed in most parks, but they must be leashed. However, no dogs are allowed in the county nature preserves or sanctuaries, Lasdon Park and Arboretum, Muscoot Farm, Playland, the Sportsman Center or Washington's Headquarters. Dogs are not permitted in picnic areas. Disposable dog waste bags are available at many parks.