



COMMERCIAL USE FEE SCHEDULE

STATE PARKS

TYPE	DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED FEE
Guided Recreation Services	Outfitted or guided angling services, or other water-based service providers that accompany clients onto waterbodies accessed via a state park; land-based guided tours, trips, or recreational rides that accompany clients in a state park.	\$8 per client, per day
Commercial Events	Commercial special events, competitions, races, training, research activities, or other organized activities for which participants pay a fee to participate. <i>*Event fees do not include ancillary commercial activities associated with the event; separate permits and fees apply.</i>	\$8 per participant, per day
Vending Services	Sale or provision of food, beverages, merchandise, souvenirs, firewood, clothing, entertainment, or related services.	\$150 per day
Equipment & Facility Services	Delivery, demonstration, or on-site rental for facilities, equipment, or recreational gear.	\$250 per year
Photography/Filming	Photography or filming activities involving 1 - 5 persons	\$50 per day; or \$300 per year
	Photography or filming activities involving 6 - 20 persons	\$8 per person, per day + minimum \$200 per day additional fee
	Photography or filming activities involving 21 - 50 persons	\$8 per person, per day + minimum \$1,000 per day additional fee
	Photography or filming activities involving 51+ persons	\$8 per person, per day + minimum \$5,000 per day additional fee
Non-service or Consumptive Use	Commercial promotional activity, dock use, material staging, maintenance, repair, or construction support.	\$75 per day (Minimal impact on public)
		\$800 per day (Moderate impact on public)
		\$1,500 per day (Significant impact on public)

FISHING ACCESS SITES (FAS)

TYPE	DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED FEE
Guided Recreation Services: Water-based	Outfitted or guided angling service providers, or water-based service providers that accompany clients onto water bodies accessed via a FAS.	\$25 Daily FAS Permit or; \$150 Annual FAS Permit
Guided Recreation Services: Land-based	Land-based guided tours, trips, or recreational rides that accompany clients in a FAS.	\$8 per client, per day
Commercial Events	Commercial special events, competitions, races, training, research activities, or other organized activities for which participants pay a fee to participate. <i>*Event fees do not include ancillary commercial activities associated with the event; separate permits and fees apply.</i>	\$8 per participant, per day
Vending Services	Sale or provision of food, beverages, merchandise, souvenirs, firewood, clothing, entertainment, or related services.	\$150 per day
Equipment & Facility Services	Delivery, demonstration, or on-site rental for facilities, equipment, or recreational gear.	\$250 per year
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		\$800 per day (Moderate impact on public)
		\$1,500 per day (Significant impact on public)

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS (WMA)

TYPE	DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED FEE
Guided Recreation Services	Water-based service providers that accompany clients onto waterbodies accessed via a WMA; land-based guided tours, trips, or recreational rides that accompany clients in a WMA.	\$8 per client, per day
Commercial Events	Commercial special events, competitions, races, trainings, research activities, and other organized activities for which participants pay a fee to participate. <i>*Event fees do not include other ancillary commercial activities associated with the event; separate permits and fees apply.</i>	\$8 per participant, per day
Photography/Filming	Photography or filming activities involving 1 - 5 persons	\$50 per day; or \$300 per year
	Photography or filming activities involving 6 - 20 persons	\$8 per person, per day + minimum \$200 per day additional fee
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	Photography or filming activities involving 51+ persons	\$8 per person, per day + minimum \$5,000 per day additional fee
Non-service or Consumptive Use	Commercial promotional activity, dock use, material staging, maintenance, repair, or construction support.	\$75 per day (Minimal impact on public)
		\$800 per day (Moderate impact on public)
		\$1,500 per day (Significant impact on public)

OTHER /ADDITIONAL FEES FOR ALL FWP SITES

TYPE	DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED FEE
Late Fee	Additional fee applied when fees for permitted commercial use are not submitted to the department by specified due date.	\$150

Note: The department may require payment of fees for conducting commercial use on department land and fees may be adjusted by the department in accordance with ARM 12.14.160 based on site impacts, staffing needs, or other activity-specific factors. Commercial use as defined by ARM 12.14.101(4) applies to any person or entity that utilizes land under the control, administration, and jurisdiction of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks for consideration.

RESTRICTED WATERBODIES/RIVERS

Permit fees for angling outfitters and water-based service providers authorized to conduct commercial recreation activities on restricted waterbodies.

WATERBODY	DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED FEE
Bitterroot (Upper) - West Fork	Permits issued and limited to historical commercial users; no allocation of use; permit holders limited to two launches per section per day, and to reach and day of week restrictions.	No fee
Beaverhead	Permits issued and limited to historical commercial users; permit holders allocated days based on highest historical use; permit holders limited to reach and day of week restrictions.	\$4 per allocated client day
Big Hole	Permits issued and limited to historical commercial users; permit holders allocated days based on highest historical use; permit holders limited to reach and day of week restrictions.	\$4 per allocated client day
Blackfoot	SRP required*; permits issued to new and historical commercial users; no allocation or use limits for permit holders. Competitive events follow fees for commercial events.	3% Gross revenue; \$130 minimum fee
Clark Fork - Alberton Gorge**	Permits issued and limited to historical commercial users; no allocation of use or use limits for permit holders.	3% Gross revenue
Madison	SRP required*; permits issued to new and historical commercial users; no allocation of use or use limits for permit holders. Competitive events follow fees for commercial events.	3% Gross revenue; \$130 minimum fee
Smith	Smith River commercial and float fees are governed and established through the Smith River Biennial Rule; permits issued to historical users; permit holders capped and allocated use; permit holders allowed to lease, rent, or otherwise receive compensation from another authorized permit holder for the use of a commercial float trip within a single season.	\$200 per float trip \$25 per staff \$110 per client

Note: Guides, assistants, and water-based service provider personnel conducting commercial activities and accompanying clients onto the water via fishing access sites (FAS) under a permit authorizing commercial use on a restricted waterbody must possess a valid FAS permit.

*SRP (Special Recreation Permit) – The department, in conjunction with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), requires an SRP for commercial use at FWP and BLM access sites along the Blackfoot River and Madison River.

**Special Regulations for Commercial Use on the Alberton Gorge: Alberton Gorge shall be defined as the region between and including Cyr Fishing Access Site to Tarkio Fishing Access Site along the Clark Fork River. Commercial use, as defined in ARM 12.14.101(3), within the Gorge is limited to commercial use that demonstrated “Historical Commercial Use” of the Gorge prior to January 1, 1998, by registering with the department by March 15, 1999. Those who failed to demonstrate proof of prior commercial use by that date are not considered historical commercial users and therefore are prohibited from conducting commercial use within the Gorge.