

Fees for

sporting and recreation events



The Oaks Track - Blue Mountains National Park. Photo: D. Hill

Fees as of 1st July 2019

All events held in NSW National Parks are subject to fees covering administration, participation, precinct hire and operations. A fee estimate will be provided once the event application is approved.

**For more information contact the events team,
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High use parks

Berowra Valley National Park
Blue Mountains National Park
Garigal National Park
Georges River National Park
Glenrock State Conservation Area
Heathcote National Park
Illawarra Escarpment State Conservation Area

Kamay Botany Bay National Park
Kosciuszko National Park
(south of Khancoban and Eucumbene Cove)
Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park
Lane Cove National Park
Royal National Park

Application fees (non-refundable)

Fee type	High-use parks	All other parks
Return event application	\$250	\$110
First time event application	\$550	\$250
Short notice	\$550	\$250

A short notice fee can be applied to any event application which is submitted within 12 weeks of the event date, to recover the cost of prioritising resources to finalise the event consent.

For series applications over multiple NPWS reserves, application fee is charged per NPWS Park Operations Area covered in application.

Participation fees (per day)

Total participants	High-use parks	All other parks
Under 151	See Small Scale Events Fee Structure. Application fee above will be applied to any application seeking approval for over 151 people.	
Between 151 - 500	\$7.70 per participant	\$3.30 per participant
Between 501-1000	\$6.50 per participant	\$2.80 per participant
Between 1001-2000	\$5.50 per participant	\$2.40 per participant
More than 2001* (see road cycling)	Per participant fee as above for first 2000 participants, and then: \$100 per additional 100 participants, or part thereof.	Per participant fee as above for first 2000 participants, and then: \$43 per additional 100 participants, or part thereof.

Participant fees are charged post event based on participant numbers received by due date. A day is a calendar day, midnight to midnight.

*Road cycling events with 2000+ people and use only RMS roads (not NPWS roads, tracks or trails) attract a 50% discount to base participant and precinct rates

Precinct hire fees (per day)

Precinct type	Non-exclusive use	Exclusive use
NPWS track, trail or road	N/A	75% of total participant fee
Start and finish site	50% of total participant fee	75% of total participant fee
Start site or finish site	25% of total participant fee	37.5% of total participant fee
Checkpoint or rest area	10% of total participant fee	12.5% of total participant fee
Aid station	Exempt from fees if infrastructure does not exceed two 3m x 3m marquees	

Precinct hire fees are charged post event based on participant numbers received by due date. Each precinct area hire fee is charge per site per event.

Operational fees

Supervision	\$100 per hour, with a 3-hour minimum (if required)
Event fee deposit	25% of participant and precinct fees or \$500, whichever is greater
Key deposit	Determined by local area office but a minimum of \$100 per key, refundable on return
Septic pump out	\$480 (if required)

Other fees, concessions and refunds

Registered charity or non-profit organisation	25% concession
Primary and secondary education institutions, volunteer and community organisations	25% concession
Partner organisations	Concession assessed on application
Multiple event organiser	Organisers who run 5 or more events within National Parks in a calendar year, will receive a 25% discount on High Use Park participant and precinct hire fees if; All 5 events are in their second year of operation on park Organiser advises dates for all events with first event application Events in Low Use parks do not receive this discount.
Multiple day events	For events held within the same park over multiple days a tiered discount is applied. Day 1 & 2 - 100%, Day 3 - 75%, Day 4 - 50%, Day 5 - 25%, Day 6 & onwards 12.5% per day. This does not include bump in or bump out days.
Park usage fee	Some parks charge a vehicle entry fee. The park usage fee may be paid by the participant or the event organiser for participants vehicles coming to the park. A list of parks and information regarding vehicle entry fees can be found at: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/annualpass/DailyVehicleEntryFees.htm .
Landing fees	For non-exclusive use of an island, a \$7 per person landing fee applies.
Use of campsites	If the event uses an existing campsite/s for a precinct or for camping, the applicable campsite/s fee at full occupancy will be charged rather than precinct hire. The fee will apply for the full period of the event, including bump in and bump out.

- One concession only is applicable, which is applied to participant and precinct hire fees.
- Application and operational fees are exempt from concession.
- Proof of not-for-profit registration, or volunteer or community status is required.

Refunds for cancellations

More than 6 weeks prior to event	100% of Event Deposit refunded
Less than 6 weeks prior to event	If 25% of Event Deposit paid - nil refunded If \$500 of Event Deposit paid - 75% refunded

Excludes administration fee. Where cancellation is by NPWS due to unforeseen circumstances (such as extreme weather or bushfire), a 100% refund (excluding application and administration fees) will be given where a suitable alternative date is not found.

All fees are inclusive of GST. Fees listed are application from 1st July, 2019 and are subject to change.