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## 2025-26 Running Team Permit Fees, Policy & Rules

Read before filling out application.

### **PERMIT FEES**:

Make checks payable to: **NYS Parks** 

**Season/Group Team Running Permit Fee:** \$75.00/season

**BUS FEES:** Parking fee applies if bus is to remain at the park during your visit.

PER VISIT For-profit & Non-Profit Schools/Groups: \$35.00 PER SEASON For-profit & Non-Profit Schools/Groups: \$75.00

#### **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

- PERMITTEE shall provide the ACORD 25 Certificate of Insurance (see SAMPLE FORM attached)
- The certificate should be made out to:

NYS Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, 625 Broadway Albany, NY 12207

• Additional Insured should state: "The People of the State of New York, Executive Department, the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, Taconic Region, it's Officers, Agents, employees and assigns."

### **RSPP TRAIL USE OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. The carriage paths are multi-use. Prevent one user group from dominating others.
- 2. Uses are consistent with the Park Preserve designation and purpose of the Preserve.
- 3. Visitors can enjoy quiet contemplative walks and nature observation.
- 4. The public / other trail users are safe.

#### **WHO DOES THIS POLICY AFFECT?** Running groups and teams only (HS, college, organized groups)

- Groups/teams are defined as official or organized runners with a leader or sponsor.
- 7 or more in number.
- Permit is required regardless of where start of run, bus parks or what day/time.
- This permit policy does not apply to individual runners. Individual runners can run any time.

#### PERMIT CONDITIONS AND RULES:

- Avoid Swan Lake / Brothers' Path.
- Off-trail running is **not allowed**.
- Sprinting and timed runs are **not allowed**.
- Must demonstrate polite trail etiquette.
- <u>Must leave restrooms clean after using</u>. If a group / team leaves a restroom dirty and littered with paper towels or trash, they will lose their permit.
- No stretching in the parking lot by parked vehicles. Stretching allowed on the lawns near picnic bench areas at the main entrance between front and back parking lots and/or across from horse trailer parking



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### TRAIL ETIQUETTE:\*\*

- Split into groups of **4 or less** (with at least 200 feet between groups)
- Run two-abreast, pass on left or where safe do not take up entire width of trail
- Communicate with others <u>before</u> passing them.
- Must **YIELD** to carriages/equestrians, as horses have blind spots may behave unpredictably.
- Must **STOP** if a horse rider or carriage driver requests you to do so.

## **FALL WEEKEND HOURS WITH RESTRICTIONS:**

Teams must finish by **9:30 am** on **Saturday & Sunday during busy fall weekends as follows:**September 6/7; 13/14; 20/21; 27/28 October 4/5; 11/12; 18/19; 25/26 November 1/2; 8/9

Teams must finish by 2:00 pm Wednesday - Saturdays on the following dates in October: Oct 15-18 & Oct 22-25

Other weekends in August and mid-November through December - teams must finish by 11 am.

### **BLACKOUT DAYS**

NO running teams or clubs or groups at any time or location on the following dates:

September 14 / October 4 / November 8

\*Note: The Hunter Pace event typically occurs in November on a Saturday or Sunday. We currently do not know the date for 2025. We will send out a notice should this be a potential conflict on calendars if we learn of that

Thank you for reading the 2025-26 Running Team Permit Fees, Policy & Rules

PLEASE PROCEED TO FILL OUT THE 2025-26 SCHOOL & GROUP RUNNING PERMIT APPLICATION

<sup>\*\*</sup> Each team member must read trail etiquette and acknowledge with initials on Signature page.



## 2025-26 SCHOOL & GROUP RUNNING PERMIT APPLICATION

This permit is in effect for AUGUST 2025 through JULY 2026.

This permit is primarily focused on managing trail use during **peak visitation and running season between September 1** and November 15. We may ask for your spring schedule as the season approaches.

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# **GROUP INFO & PLANNED ROUTES**

Team/Club Name	
Group Information	Color of uniform:
	Overall number of Runners  Number of Groups (no larger than 4 per group 2 rows side by side)
Points where you generally access & exit the carriage paths	
List preferred paths	
Notes / Comments	



## **CALENDAR 2025**

Please fill in dates you plan to bring your team to the Preserve. Be mindful of our blackout dates and times to be finished.

If we have additional BLACKOUT dates that come up after this mailing, you will be notified.

Group/Team\_\_\_\_\_ Number of runners\_\_\_\_ Number of days \_\_\_\_ Start date \_\_\_\_\_

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14 BLACKOUT GIRL SCOUT EVENT	15	16	17	18	19	20 OUT BY 9:30am
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### SIGNATURE PAGE

Thank you for helping to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all patrons. Please note that park management reserves the right to issue warnings against any group or individuals found in violation of Preserve policy, endangering the safety of others, or any of the rules or conditions of their permit. Warnings apply to all associated members when issued to a group member. Park management can revoke or modify or suspend a permit at any time for any incidents involving the group/organization or its associated individuals. Disciplinary action may include, but is not limited to eviction, permit renewal refusal, temporary/permanent revocation of group permit.

#### **IMPORTANT**

If the total number of team runners is very high on certain dates, we may ask you to make some adjustments. Leaders/Coaches must pick up their permit in the Preserve Office. We will issue bracelets for your runners at that time.

### Permit is non-transferrable.

I have read and fully understand all of the rules, regulations, and policies provided. I understand that I am expected to fully comply with these and any further instruction by Preserve staff. Failure to comply with any of the above may result in the suspension or cancelation of the permit and the group/organization and associated individuals may be prohibited from using the Preserve for running activities. Park management reserves the right to revoke this permit at any time.

I understand that our group is to run in groups of 4 (2 per row) or less and be courteous to other users.

I understand that running cross country is a potentially hazardous activity and should not be performed unless participants are medically able and properly trained. We assume all risks associated with this activity including but not limited to falls, contact with other Preserve patrons, the effects of the weather, including high heat, humidity, or wet conditions, traffic, and conditions of the road/trail. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of your permit request, I waive and release the State of New York, their representatives, employees, volunteers and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this activity even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver.

I hereby apply for an activity permit as shown above. I and all other members of my group have read and understand all the rules and regulations associated with the Rockefeller State Park Preserve Multi-Use Policy and agree to fully abide by them. I understand that this permit may be revoked if any of its terms and conditions are violated.

Signed:						Date:			
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