



## METROPARK SPORTING EVENTS - FAQ'S

- ❖ *Does my sticker on my license plate allow my vehicle access to the Metroparks?*  
No, the pass you purchased along with your vehicle tabs at the Secretary of State only allows access to Michigan State Parks. Metroparks are a separately funded five-county park system (there are 13 Metropark in the Metro-Detroit area). For more information on the location of the 13 Metroparks, call 1-800-477-2757 or go to [www.metroparks.com](http://www.metroparks.com) to see our list of Metropark year-round activities.
- ❖ *How much does a Metropark permit cost?*  
Entry per vehicle is \$10/Daily, \$35/Annual (2017 calendar year), or \$21/Senior Citizen Annual (62 and over).
- ❖ *I am just dropping off my participant. Do I still have to pay to get into the park?*  
Yes. Your sports participant is involved in an event that requires funds to make happen. The park must provide additional staff for traffic, police and additional needs of regular maintenance (restrooms, mowing, etc.). By purchasing a Metropark permit, you are helping to cover those additional costs. The best way to save money is to purchase an annual Metropark permit. If you enter any of the 13 Metroparks 3.5 times (\$35 Regular Annual) or 2.1 times (\$21 Senior Annual), you are getting more bang for your buck.
- ❖ *What time should I arrive?*  
We **strongly** recommend that you plan to arrive EARLY (most teams arrive an hour before the race for better parking). There will be many vehicles arriving close to the beginning of your event, which can create slowdowns of vehicles entering the park. Also take into account regular daily rush hour traffic.

### Suggested ways to make park entry faster –

- Purchase your annual Metropark permit in advance of your event. Pick a day before your event, come out to the park and bring a picnic lunch, go for a bike ride. It's one great way to get as many visits as possible out of the annual park pass, and a great way to spend an afternoon!
- Car pool. Get a group together to share in the entry fee and reduce the number of vehicles.
- Pay in cash. Cash transactions are faster to process than credit/debit.
- Plan ahead for the weather/conditions. Bring sunscreen, mosquito repellent, umbrellas or chairs.

Thank you for supporting your Metroparks.

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