

Golden Age, Golden Access, and Golden Eagle Passports

What are Golden Age Passports?

Golden Age Passports are available to U.S. citizens or permanent residents, who are 62 years old or older. It is a lifetime entrance pass to those national parks, monuments, historic sites, recreation areas, and national wildlife refuges that charge a Land and Water Conservation Fund Act (LWCFA) entrance fee.

The Golden Age Passport admits the pass holder and any accompanying passengers in a private vehicle. Where entry is not by private vehicle, the passport admits the pass holder, spouse, and children.

The Golden Age Passport also provides a 50% discount on federal LWCFA use fees charged for facilities and services such as camping, swimming, parking, boat launching, and cave tours. In some cases where use fees are charged (such as cave tours, elevator services, or group camping), only the pass holder will be given the 50% reduction. It does not reduce special recreation permit fees or fees charged by concessionaires.

A Golden Age Passport can be purchased in person at any federal area where an LWCFA entrance fee is charged, or at one of the agencies listed below. Proof of age (such as a state driver's license, birth certificate, or similar document) is required.

There is a one-time **\$10** processing charge to obtain the passport.

What are Golden Access Passports?

Golden Access Passports are available to citizens or permanent residents of the United States who are medically determined to be blind or permanently disabled. It is a lifetime entrance pass to those national parks, monuments, historic sites, recreation areas, and national wildlife refuges that charge a Land and Water Conservation Fund Act (LWCFA) entrance fee.

The Golden Access Passport admits the pass holder and any accompanying passengers in a private vehicle. Where entry is not by private vehicle, the passport admits the pass holder, spouse, and children.

The Golden Access Passport also provides a 50% discount on federal LWCFA use fees charged for facilities and services such as camping, swimming, parking, boat launching, and cave tours. In some cases where use fees are charged (such as cave tours, elevator services, or group camping), only the pass holder will be given the 50% reduction. It does not reduce special recreation permit fees or fees charged by concessionaires.

A Golden Access Passport must be obtained in person at any federal area where an LWCFA

entrance fee is charged, or at one of the agencies listed below. Federal law requires proof of medically determined permanent disability or eligibility for receiving benefits.

The Golden Access Passport is issued free of charge.

What are Golden Eagle Passports?

Golden Eagle Passports are entrance passes to those national parks, monuments, historic sites, recreation areas, and national wildlife refuges that charge a Land and Water Conservation Fund Act (LWCFA) entrance fee.

The Golden Eagle Passport admits the pass holder and any accompanying passengers in a private vehicle. Where entry is not by private vehicle, the passport admits the pass holder, spouse, and children.

The Golden Eagle Passport does NOT cover or reduce use fees, such as fees for camping, swimming, parking, boat launching, or cave tours. *It is valid for entrance fees only.*

The Golden Eagle Passport is good for a 12-month period starting with the date of purchase, and ending the last day of the purchase month one year later. It permits unlimited entries to all federal LWCFA entrance fee areas.

A Golden Eagle Passport can be purchased at any federal area where an LWCFA entrance fee is charged, or by sending a **\$65** check or money order (do not send cash) to one of the agencies listed below.

Although it is not replaceable, refundable, or transferable, the Golden Eagle Passport can be purchased as a gift. It must be validated by the signature of the holder.

Where can I get the Golden Age, Golden Access, and Golden Eagle Passports?

The passports are available through the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management, Corps of Engineers (Golden Age or Golden Access only), and the Bureau of Reclamation (Golden Age or Golden Access only).

For more information about the Federal Recreation Passport Program, visit the Spokane BLM District Office at 1103 N. Fancher, Spokane, Washington 99212, or call (509) 536-1200.