2010 Sheboygan County Annual Family Recreation Permit

April 1 to Nov. 1

Please note that a recreation permit must be purchased in advance to bike or ride mopeds on the Old Plank Road Trail; park any vehicle or trailer at trailheads; use or park vehicles and trailers at boat landings at the Sheboygan Marsh, Gerber Lakes, Jetzer Lake, Elkhart Lake, Little Elkhart Lake, and Crystal Lake; and camp or bring vehicles into the campgrounds at the Sheboygan Marsh. A recreation permit IS NOT required to climb the Marsh observation tower or patronize the Marsh Lodge. A recreation permit IS NOT required for pedestrian use on the Old Plank Road Trail or any other facility unless parking in a fee area.

Per the Sheboygan County Parks and Recreation Ordinance:

"Family" means up to two adult individuals related as spouses or domestic partners and their children or stepchildren between the ages of 16 and 21 and residing at the same address. Children under the age of 16 are exempt.

24.09 FEES AND CHARGES.

(1) Fee Administration. Except as otherwise provided, it is unlawful for any person to use any park, boat launching facility, recreational trail, or wayside without payment of the fee as provided hereafter, or for failure to properly display pass or other indicia of payment of the fee if parked at a park, boat launching facility or recreational trail parking lot in the manner as determined by the Department and as presented to the purchaser of the fee at the time of the purchase.

(2) Fees. The following fees shall be charged, unless otherwise specified:

(a) Resident Annual Family Fee. For an annual fee of $16.00, any person who is a Sheboygan County resident may purchase a family permit allowing the resident and his or her family annual access to all facilities for up to two motor vehicles and for up to four bicycles as evidenced by tags or other indicia of payment for that number of vehicles and bicycles.

(b) Non-resident Annual Family Fee. For an annual fee of $24.00, any non-resident of Sheboygan County may purchase a family permit allowing the non-resident and his or her family annual access to all facilities for up to two motor vehicles and for up to four bicycles as evidenced by tags or other indicia of payment for that number of vehicles and bicycles.

(c) Additional and Replacement Fee. Purchasers of annual permits may purchase additional or replacement motor vehicle or bicycle tag or other indicia of payment for $10.00 per motor vehicle and $5.00 per bicycle.

The Sheboygan County Planning and Resources Department will issue up to two motor vehicle hang tags and up to four bicycle hang tags upon payment of the basic resident ($16) or non-resident ($24) family permit fee. Upon payment of additional fees, additional motor vehicles ($10) and bicycles ($5) can be added provided they are used by the same family at the registration address. Any person over the age of 21 must have their own recreation pass regardless of where they live unless part of the head of household on a registration form. **Permit must be affixed on rear view mirrors of cars and trucks and also on the rear view mirrors on motorcycles and mopeds. Bicycle permit tag shall be affixed to the handlebars in plain sight.**

Sheboygan County enforcement officers may check identification of recreation facility users and inspect motor vehicles and bicycles to ensure that they are properly covered by a paid Sheboygan County recreation permit.

Persons without or not properly covered by a paid Sheboygan County recreation permit shall be issued a $25.00 notice of violation. If not paid within ten days, a citation shall be issued and a trial date set.

Recreation fees that are collected will be used only for recreation facility maintenance, improvement, and development. This will offset the property tax levy otherwise needed for these activities.

For more information, contact: Sheboygan County Planning and Resources Department
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Sheboygan, WI 53083.
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Sheboygan County is a beautiful place to visit, play, and to stay.

Welcome, and enjoy the lakes, parks, trails, and the many fine businesses that will make your recreational experience one that you will want to repeat.