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Park Directive 2000.2

CAMPING DISCOUNTS

U. S. Citizens 62 and over and U. S. Citizens with 100% permanent and total disability will be admitted to state park campgrounds at the discounted rates established in PD 2000. Proper identification or documentation is required to obtain a discount. DISCOUNTS DO NOT APPLY TO WINTER RATES.

NOTE PILOT STUDY: Arkansas State Parks now accepts the America the Beautiful-Access Pass and Golden Access Passport as proof of disability.

I. SENIOR CITIZENS

A government issued photo ID is required for identification purposes for U.S. Citizens 62 and over: Government issued IDs accepted as proof of age include

- A. Driver's License
- B. Government-Issued Photo ID
- C. U.S. Passport
- D. Military Dependent or Retiree ID
- E. United States Permanent Resident Card
- F. America the Beautiful-Senior Pass

II. DISABILITY

A. One of the following should identify U. S. Citizens with 100% disability and/or permanent and total disability. Documents MUST specify "Permanent and Total Disability" or indicate an individual is "100% Disabled".

1. Veterans:

- a. A copy of the Awards letter (dated within the last two years) from the Veteran's Administration Regional Office.
- b. An Arkansas license plate beginning with the letters "DV" or "DAV", which indicates that a veteran is 100% disabled.

- c. America the Beautiful-Access Pass or Golden Access Passport
2. U.S. Citizens:
- a. A qualifying document is a letter from a personal physician, Railroad Retirement, or Civil Service (federal or state government) dated within the last two years stating "100% disabled" and/or "permanent and total disability".
 - b. America the Beautiful-Access Pass or Golden Access Passport

NOTE: If you see that someone is totally disabled and there is no doubt in your mind (i.e. wheelchair, total blindness, etc.), GIVE THEM THE DISABILITY DISCOUNT, but encourage them to provide written proof on their next visit.

B. Some of the following identify U. S. Citizens with disabilities that are **not** 100% disabled. Since these documents cannot be accepted as proof of 100% disability, they cannot be used to qualify for the disability discount.

- 1. **Social Security Recipients:** The Social Security Administration (SSA) provides benefits based on employability standards - not disability. The SSA does not verify or determine the percentage or permanence of disability. Therefore, Social Security documents are not accepted as verification of 100% disability.
- 3. **License Plates:** International symbol plates and placards are provided for persons with varying degrees of disability so they may or may not be 100% disabled. Do NOT accept disabled insignia Arkansas license plates or placards as proof of 100% disability.

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