

Lower Deschutes River, Oregon

Boater Passes are required year-round, for both day and overnight use, for anyone using a watercraft or any other floating device as a means of transport on the Lower Deschutes River. Access is restricted to a limited number of boaters on certain segments during peak use periods. Passes can be reserved up to 26 weeks in advance of a trip at www.recreation.gov. If you pass through two segments in the same day, there must be a Boater Pass available in each segment.

Limited Entry Dates are:

- Segment 1: Friday, Saturday and Sunday from May 15 - September 15
- Segment 3A & 3B: 7 days a week from May 15 - September 15
- Segment 4: 7 days a week from May 15 - October 15.

[River Segments](#)

Limited Entry Pass Availability:

- 26 weeks in advance - 50 % of passes released
- 4 weeks in advance - 30 % of passes released
- 1 week in advance - 20 % of passes released.

[Boater Pass Release Schedule for 2019](#)

Lower Deschutes River Tribal permit: Required for launching and taking out at Harpham Flat and Sandy Beach. Permit can be purchased on site for \$1 per person per site or at <https://fisheries.warmsprings-nsn.gov/tribal-fishing-permits/>.

Fees: \$6.00 – Non-refundable reservation fee for each boater pass

\$2.00 - per person, per day, all year

\$6.00 - Peak Weekend Fee (this is an additional fee applied to the \$2.00 daily fee per person, per day: Saturday and Sundays, from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend).

Cancellations: If you have not printed your boater pass, you may cancel it online without a refund. Cancelled spaces will be returned to the available quota. If you have already printed your boater pass, contact the BLM to cancel. Once purchased, no changes to the boater pass are possible. Alternate leaders must be listed at the time the Boater Pass is purchased. No-shows hurt everyone! If you do not plan to use your boater pass, you are required to go to your existing reservation and follow the instructions to cancel it.

Additional Information: The state of Oregon requires an [Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Permits](#) for all non-motorized boats (paddlecraft) 10 feet or longer. Permits are available at Oregon fishing license vendors or online at [Oregon State Marine Board](#).

Contact: US Department of the Interior
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Websites:

<https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permits-and-passes/lotteries-and-permit-systems/oregon-washington/lower-deschutes> and www.recreation.gov