



FAQ's Old Mill Park Entrance Fee

Pilot Program effective July 23 – October 30, 2022

What is the price per car to enter Old Mill Park?

\$10 per car for non-residents of the City of Fredericksburg and Stafford County.

What is the price per walk-in visitor to enter Old Mill Park?

\$5 per person 13 years and older for non-residents of the City of Fredericksburg and Stafford County.

What zip codes are eligible for free admission?

22401 – City of Fredericksburg

22405, 22406, 22554, 22556, 22135, 22412 – Stafford County

Is there be a military discount or a senior's discount?

No discounts are given other than free admission for City of Fredericksburg and Stafford County residents.

What are the hours in which Old Mill Park will have an entrance fee?

Old Mill Park is open daily. Closed dusk to dawn. Beginning July 23, 2022, a fee will be charged on a "pilot" basis on weekends, Saturdays and Sundays, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. through October 30, 2022. Additionally, the fee will be charged on Labor Day, Monday, September 5th.

What if I am attending a scheduled event, have rented a shelter or grounds?

The already registered **and paid** rentals scheduled July 23-October 30 2022, and the registrations/payments received before July 6th, do not have the new entrance fee applied to your event or rental. Organizers of those rentals and events are being informed by Parks, Recreation and Events staff how to best coordinate that message to their participants before entering the park.

Rental requests received after July 6, 2022 will have to plan for guests who are not City of Fredericksburg or Stafford County residents to pay the vehicle and/or pedestrian walk-in fee on weekends during the pilot program dates of July 23 - October 30.

Will the playground parking lot be available for regular parking?

The playground parking will convert to City staff parking, as well as a turnaround area for those who are exiting the park. Those wishing to visit the playground will park in the main parking lot and be charged the fee during the pilot program dates and times listed above.

Will the indoor bathroom facilities be available to people walking the trail and simply needing to use the restroom?

A portable toilet close to the trail and the trailhead entrance of the park will accommodate people wishing to use restroom facilities and not enter the park. City and Stafford County residents will be allowed to enter just to use the restroom, as their admission is free.

How are staff verifying if a park visitor is a resident of the City of Fredericksburg or Stafford County?

Residency is checked by driver's license or vehicle registration to confirm zip codes.

What is the method of payment park visitors will use to enter into the park?

Park entrance fees are cashless. Only credit or debit cards will be accepted.

What is the purpose of the Old Mill Park Entrance Fee pilot program?

To better ensure safety and quality customer service at a very popular park that currently does not have site staff and is often over capacity.

Was this pilot entrance fee program approved by City Council?

Yes, on June 28, 2022, City of Fredericksburg City Council approved the Resolution to charge a vehicle and pedestrian fee to enter Old Mill Park.

Will there be an entrance fee in 2023 and future years?

This year's "pilot" program will provide needed data, experiences and input that will be used to fully assess the program and develop changes toward a 2023 implementation of an entrance fee procedure.

Where will the revenue generated from this new program be used?

The revenue generated will be used to maintain the parks.

How can I learn more about Old Mill Park and the new entrance fee program?

To learn more, visit FXBGparks.com, follow @FredParksRec on Facebook or email OldMillPark@fredericksburgva.gov.