



## **WEST RIVER SHORELINE TRAIL TEMPORARY DOCK PERMIT GUIDELINES**

Only one permit per household is allowed.  
No permits will be granted for any upland structures.  
There is no vehicle access to any of the docks.

Permit applications will be available online at [www.nysparks.com](http://www.nysparks.com) beginning February 6, 2021.

State Parks will issue 35 temporary seasonal dock permits beginning February 6, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. on a first-come, first-serve basis. It is necessary to present identification to receive a conditional permit.

Applicants will receive a conditional permit after presentation of identification. To finalize the conditional permit, applicants must submit a permit application along with identification and home owners insurance stating the dock number to [beaverisland@park.ny.gov](mailto:beaverisland@park.ny.gov)

### **All credentials necessary to obtain a final permit will be due by close of business March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021.**

The insurance requirements necessary to obtain a final permit are as follows:

- The application must be accompanied by a certificate of insurance showing that the dock is covered under a homeowner's insurance policy that includes: (1) \$500,000 or more in personal liability coverage; and (2) an endorsement that describes the dock and access thereto on the Niagara River with sufficient specificity to insure the offsite structure.

If the required certificate is not provided by March 05, 2021, the contingent permit will become invalid. The permit will require the permittee to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of New York and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation and their officers, employees and agents.

If a holder of a contingent permit does not provide the required certificate of insurance the contingent permit will become invalid and State Parks will alert the next person on the waiting list that an additional permit is available.

All permitted docks will be inspected by state parks and must meet stated dock standards. Docks must include some mechanism to limit access by the public, such as a gate or other barrier. No permanent structures may be erected on docks. Permit holders will have 30 days to rectify any issues found during inspection.

Any unpermitted docks present on state parkland will be subject to removal by State Parks. In addition, all upland structures, including but not limited to decks, patios, fire pits, storage sheds, will be subject to removal and disposal by Parks.

Dock permits are only good for the 2021 season. (April 15- October 15, 2021).

All permitted docks must be removed by permit holders by October 15, 2021. Docks not removed by this date will be removed and disposed of by State Parks at the cost of the permit holder.