

LEGAL NOTICE NO.

THE WILDLIFE (CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT) ACT

(2013)

(No. 47 of 2013)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by Section 116 of the Wildlife (Conservation and Management) Act, 2013 the Cabinet Secretary for Tourism, Wildlife and Heritage makes the following regulations:—

THE WILDLIFE (CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT)  
NATIONAL PARKS, RESERVES AND SANCTUARIES  
REGULATIONS, 2023

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Wildlife (Conservation and Management) (National Parks, Reserves and Sanctuaries) Regulations 2023 and shall apply from September, 2023 to 30<sup>th</sup> August 2025.
2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-

“CONSERVATION FEES” refers to fees charged in National Parks, Reserves and Sanctuaries for the purpose of conserving and protecting natural resources, such as wildlife, habitats and ecosystems.

“KENYAN (KE) CITIZEN” refers to Kenyan nationals by birth and registration, with valid Identification Card.

“EAST AFRICA (EA) CITIZEN” refers to nationals of East Africa countries of Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, South Sudan, Burundi and Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) with valid passport.

“RESIDENT” refers to persons of other nationalities residing in Kenya with valid documentation from the Kenyan government

“REST OF AFRICA” refers to nationals of African Countries other than East Africa Countries with valid passport.

“INTERNATIONAL (INTL) VISITORS/ NON RESIDENTS” refers to foreign nationals other than EAC and rest of Africa with valid passport.

“DAILY FEE” is a single entry fee valid for a day stay of continuous uninterrupted stay inside a KWS National Park/Reserve/ Sanctuary.

“STUDENT” refers to an individual from a recognized secondary, government or private college or university aged up to twenty-three (23) years old visiting the parks for purposes of learning about conservation through a documented and organized arrangement with that institution. It excludes students on personally arranged holidays. KWS will require a minimum of one (1) week to issue a written authorization for the student rates.

“CHILDREN” refers to persons from the age of five (5) years but below the age of eighteen (18) years. Children below age of 5 years access the KWS Parks, Reserves and Sanctuaries for free.

“PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWD)” refers to Kenyan Citizens who have a physical, sensory, mental or other impairment, including any visual, hearing, learning or physical incapability, which impacts adversely on social, economic or environmental participation. PWD access all KWS parks and reserves for free upon presentation of valid documentation from the National Council for Persons with Disabilities.

“SENIOR CITIZEN” refers to Kenyan Citizens aged 70 years and above. Senior Citizens will enjoy free entry to all KWS Parks and Reserves upon presentation of the national ID.

“ANNUAL PASS” is fees paid once to access KWS parks, reserves and sanctuaries for a year.

“WATER SPORTS” refers to any recreational/sports activities that takes place in or on water and can be categorized according to the degree of immersion.

“SECURITY”, refers to the safety provided by KWS Rangers to Visitors. Security fee for one Section of rangers (10 Rangers) shall be applicable to event sites after 6.30pm.

“CORPORATE PASS” refers to access rights issued to eligible utility providers having installations within KWS managed parks/reserves

“HIGH SEASON” shall be from 1st July to 31st March

“LOW SEASON” shall be from of 1st April to 30th June

MT. KENYA “HIGH SEASON” shall be 1st July to 30<sup>th</sup> September, and 1st December to 29th February.

MT. KENYA “LOW SEASON” shall be 1st October to 30<sup>th</sup> November and 1st March to 30<sup>th</sup> June.

*\*All other parks and reserves include; Marsabit, Mwea, Ruma, Saiwa Swamp, South Turkana, Sibiloi, Central Island, South Island, Kakamega, Shimba Hills, Ndere Island, Malka Mari, Tana River Primates, Nasolot, Chyullu Hills and Lake Elementaita Wildlife Sanctuary.*

*\*Mt Kenya Packages include camping fees;*

*\*Special activity fees do not include Park, Reserve or Sanctuary entry fees.*

SCHEDULE

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PART II - CONSERVATION FEES FOR PARKS, RESERVES AND SANCTUARIES MANAGED BY THE KENYA WILDLIFE SERVICE

1. Entry fees—

(a) For any person aged 18 years and above:

Park Category	High Season (July to March)			Low Season (April to June)		
	E.A Citizen KSHS	Non Residence USD	Resident/ Rest of Africa USD	E.A Citizen KSHS	Non Residence USD	Resident/ Rest of Africa USD
<b>PREMIUM PARKS</b> Amboseli and Lake Nakuru	2,000	100	50	1,500	80	35
<b>URBAN PARK</b> Nairobi	2,000	100	50	1,500	100	25
<b>Nairobi Package</b> (Nairobi Park, Nairobi Orphanage and Nairobi Safari Walk)	2,300	125	65	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Nairobi Sanctuary package</b> (Nairobi Orphanage and Nairobi Safari Walk)	500	40	25	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>WILDERNESS PARKS</b> Tsavo East and Tsavo West	2,000	100	50	1,500	80	35
Meru, Kora and Aberdare	500	60	30	300	35	18
<b>MOUNTAIN CLIMBING</b> Mt Kenya Day Trip	500	60	30	300	30	15
Mt Kenya 2 Days Package including camping	1,200	140	70	700	80	40
Mt Kenya 3 Days Package including camping	1,900	220	110	1150	130	65
Mt Kenya 4 Days Package including camping	2,600	300	150	1600	180	90
Mt Kenya 5 Days Package including camping	3,100	360	180	1850	210	105

Mt Kenya 6 Days Package including camping	3,800	440	220	2300	260	130
<b>SCENIC PARKS</b>  Hells Gate, Mt. Longonot, Mt. Elgon and Ol Donyo Sabuk	500	30	20	300	20	15
<b>SPECIAL INTEREST PARKS</b>  Marsabit, Mwea, Ruma, Saiwa Swamp, South Turkana, Sibiloi, Central Island, South Island, Kakamega, Shimba Hills, Ndere Island, Malka Mari, Tana River Primates, Chyullu Hills, Nasalot and Lake Elementaita Sanctuary	300	25	20	250	20	15
<b>SANCTUARIES</b>  Nairobi Orphanage, Nairobi Safari Walk and Kisumu Impala	300	25	15	200	20	15
<b>MARINE PROTECTED AREAS</b> (Kisite Mpunguti, Watamu, Mombasa, Malindi, Kiunga and Diani Chale	500	25	15	300	20	15

(b) For any child aged 5 years and above but below 18 years, and students aged up to 23 years of having 1 week prior approval from Kenya Wildlife Service and on production of a valid students identification card—

Park Category	<i>High Season (July to March)</i>			<i>Low Season (April to June)</i>		
	<i>E.A Citizen KSHS</i>	<i>Non Residence USD</i>	<i>Resident/ Rest of Africa USD</i>	<i>E.A Citizen KSHS</i>	<i>Non Residence USD</i>	<i>Resident/ Rest of Africa USD</i>
<b>PREMIUM PARKS</b> Amboseli and Lake Nakuru	500	35	20	250	20	10
<b>URBAN PARK</b> Nairobi	500	35	20	250	20	10
<b>Nairobi Package</b> (Nairobi Park, Nairobi	700	50	30	N/A	N/A	N/A

<i>Orphanage and Nairobi Safari Walk)</i>						
<b>Nairobi Sanctuary package</b> <i>(Nairobi Orphanage and Nairobi Safari Walk)</i>	300	25	15	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>WILDERNESS PARKS</b> Tsavo East and Tsavo West	500	35	20	250	20	10
Meru, Kora and Aberdare	250	35	20	250	20	10
<b>MOUNTAIN CLIMBING</b> Mt Kenya Day Trip	250	20	20	250	20	10
Mt Kenya 2 Days Package including camping	650	55	48	650	55	28
Mt Kenya 3 Days Package including camping	1050	90	76	1050	90	46
Mt Kenya 4 Days Package including camping	1450	125	104	1450	125	64
Mt Kenya 5 Days Package including camping	1700	145	124	1700	145	74
Mt Kenya 6 Days Package including camping	2100	180	152	2100	180	92
<b>SCENIC PARKS</b> Hells Gate, Mt. Longonot, Mt. Elgon and Ol Donyo Sabuk	250	20	15	200	15	10
<b>SPECIAL INTEREST PARKS</b> Marsabit, Mwea, Ruma, Saiwa Swamp, South Turkana, Sibiloi, Central Island, South Island, Kakamega, Shimba Hills, Ndere Island, Malka Mari, Tana River Primates,	250	15	15	200	15	10

Chyullu Hills ,Nasalot and Lake Elementaita Sanctuary						
<b>SANCTUARIES</b>  Nairobi Orphanage, Nairobi Safari Walk and Kisumu Impala	200	15	10	150	15	10
<b>MARINE PROTECTED AREAS</b> (Kisite Mpunguti , Watamu, Mombasa, Diani Chale, Malindi , Kiunga and Diani Chale	200	10	8	150	10	5

## 2. Additional Special Activities

<b>CAMPING FEES</b>						
	EAC Citizen in KSHS		Kenyan Resident /Rest of Africa		International Visitors in US\$	
	Adult	Child/Student	Adult	Child/Student	Adult	Child/Student
<b>SPECIAL CAMPSITES</b>						
Premium Parks (Amboseli and Lake Nakuru)	500	250	25	15	50	25
All Other Parks	250	200	20	10	35	20
Reservation Fees for special campsite per week in KSHS (nonrefundable)	7,500					
Cancellation Fees for special campsite per week in KSHS	7,500					
<b>PUBLIC CAMPSITES</b>						
Premium Parks (Amboseli and Lake Nakuru)	250	200	15	13	30	25
All Other Parks	200	150	10	8	20	15

<b>OTHER CHARGES</b>	
<b>VEHICLE FEES PER DAY</b>	<b>KSHS</b>
Less than 6 seats	1,000
6-12 seats	1,500
13-24 seats	3,000
25-44 seats	4,500

45 seats and above	5,000
<b>MOTOR CYCLE FEES</b>	<b>KSHS</b>
Motorcycles up to 250cc only to (Hells Gate, Mt. Kenya, Longonot, Elgon, Ol Donyo, Sibiloi, Chyullu and Kakamega)	500
<b>AIRCRAFTS (Per Landing)</b>	<b>KSHS</b>
Less than 3 seats	500
3-6 seats	1,000
7-14 seats	1,500
15-20 seats	2,500
21 seats and above	3,500
Helicopter landing in Mt Kenya, Central and South National Park in USD\$	300

<b>TRUCKS and DELIVERY VEHICLES PER DAY</b>	<b>KSHS</b>
1-3 tons	1,000
4-7 tons	2,250
More than 7 tons	3,250

<b>BOATS</b>	<b>KSHS</b>
Fees per day	300
Annual pass for private non - commercial boat	5,200
Monthly Mooring Fee / Per Boat	10,000
Annual Mooring Fee/Per Boat	120,000
Annual pass for commercial vessel stationed or operating in the park or reserve	15,200

<b>VEHICLES STATIONED IN THE PARK PER YEAR</b>	<b>KSHS</b>
TSV's less than 6 seats and commercial vehicle less than 2 tons	10,000
TSV's 6-12 seats and commercial vehicle 2-5tons	15,000
TSV's 6-13 seats and commercial tour vehicles not stationed in the park	60,000
TSV's more than 13seats and commercial vehicles more than 5 tons, not stationed in the Park	100,000

<b>ANNUAL CARDS</b>	<b>KSHS</b>
Adult annual pass	45,000
Child annual pass	10,400
Corporate annual pass	120,000
Tour driver personalized annual pass	6,000
Marine Park annual pass	10,500
Couple's annual pass (Any two adults)	80,000
Family annual pass (Any two adults and up to 5 children under the	130,000

age of 18yrs)	
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<b>SPECIAL SERVICES</b>	<b>KSHS</b>
Vehicle recovery inside the park	7,500
Boat recovery inside Marine Protected Area	10,500

<b>GROUP RATES FOR CONFERENCES / EVENT/MEETING HELD IN THE PARKS OR RESERVES</b>	<b>E.A Citizens/Rest of Africa/International Visitors discount on park entry fees</b>
100 participants and above	25%
50-99 participants	20%
30-49 participants	10%
10-29 participants	5%

#### **TOURISM EXPERIENCES**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>KE and EA Citizens/KE Residents in KSHS</b>	<b>International Visitors in US\$</b>
Sundowner, bush breakfast, bush dinner for park visitors not residing within the Park or Reserve	500	10
Animal tracking in selected parks on prior arrangement (per person)	2,000	20
Warden's lecture (where available) with prior arrangement (per group)	3,000	30
Event sites Premium and Urban Parks (Terms and conditions apply) 10-30 pax	10,000	100
31-50 pax	30,000	30
51-100pax	50,000	500
Above 100 pax	80,000	800
All other parks (For every 100 pax)	20,000	200
<b><i>NB: The above charges are exclusive of conservation fees</i></b>		
Guided nature walks and birdwatching (per person per day)	300	15
Drone Charges (KCAA licenses required) (per drone per day per park)	15,000	350
Commercial photography and videography for feature films, adverts, dramas, music videos and short features (per day per park) (relevant licenses required)	10,000	100
Photo Sessions (weddings, graduations, personal events) per group exclusive of park fees	3,000	30
Ecological restoration fees for approved off-road conservation activities such as commercial	30% of the total cost of the activity	30% of the total cost of the



filming and photography among others		activity
Picnic charges within KWS premises outside National Parks excluding vehicle (per person)	100	10
Vehicle parking charges per day – KWS HQ, Malindi, Mombasa, Shimoni, Longonot, Hells Gate and Lake Nakuru). Not applicable to park visitors with paid tickets.	200	10
Night Nature Walk at Nairobi Safari Walk, Animal Orphanage, Saiwa Swamp and Kakamega National Reserve	500	10
Children boot camp (minimum 10 pax) prior booking required (per person per day)	1,000	10
Adult boot camp (minimum 10 pax) prior booking required (per person per day)	2,000	20
Participation in wildlife translocation and Veterinary activities (per person per day)	10,000	150
Payment for private translocation operations (per translocation)	30% of total translocation costs	30% of total translocation costs
Virtual Tours at KWS parks and reserves (per person per session)	50% of the applicable conservation fees	50% of the applicable conservation fees
KWS Guided Cave exploration (Chyullu, Mt. Elgon, Aberdare, Tsavo West and Mt. Kenya), per person/day	500	20
Helicopter -Tourism (per person) up to 2hrs (per Park/Reserve)	5,000	100
Event Security per section of Rangers per day	Kshs.87,000	1,000
Night game drive (per person per trip) exclusive of conservation fees in selected Parks and Reserves	Kshs.3,000	30
Lake boating (per person per hour)	Kshs.1,500	15
Security escort per group/ per ranger (minimum two rangers) (up to 4 hours)	Kshs.1,800	20
Security escort per group / per ranger (minimum two rangers) (over 4 hours)	Kshs.3,150	35
River rafting (per person)	Kshs.2,000	20
Horse riding private horses (excluding rider per day)	Kshs.1,500	15
Bicycle hire (per day)	Kshs.500	10
Sport fishing in Parks/reserves per line (excluding marine protected areas)	Kshs.1,500	50
Cycling (per day) excluding	Kshs.200	10

conservation fees		
Walking Safaris (per person per day)	Kshs.1,500	15
Hire of Service Band (per day)	Kshs. 120,000	1,500

<b>WATER SPORTS ACTIVITY</b>	<b>CHARGES IN KSH</b>
Annual Licensing fee inclusive of crew and guests	240,000 for large size companies
	120,000 for medium size companies
	60,000 for small size companies
	12,000 for sole trader
Annual transit fee for Marine sport fishing	230,000 for commercial boats
	10,000 for private boats
Independent watersport participants (walk ins), both citizen and non-residents	500 daily
	2,500 weekly
	5,000 monthly
	10,000 annually

Dated the .....2023

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