



Mackinac Island State Park Commission
Policy

Use of British Landing Dock

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Preamble:

The dock is located within Mackinac Island State Park and was constructed by the State of Michigan to service State Park needs and other public works projects on Mackinac Island.

British Landing is the only deep-water dock where a lake freighter can tie up and unload directly on shore.

The dock has been made available to private individuals on occasion to provide temporary docking for large construction projects or the unloading of vehicles. Private individuals are required to post a \$50,000 bond in case of damage to the dock.

The Commission has established a \$400.00 fee per landing for the purpose of administration of the program and site maintenance effective January 17, 2024. Fees are waived for the City of Mackinac Island, contractors doing work for the City of Mackinac Island and/or the state park and the Department of Public Works and Cloverland Electric Cooperative. Fees are not waived for contractors doing work for Cloverland Electric Cooperative.

Effective January 23, 2025, the Commission established a \$150 fee for Facility Security Services for hazardous material transport escorts. A \$75 daily fee for Temporary Dock Storage was established on January 17, 2024. These charges are based on a 24-hour period (12:00 a.m. – 11:59 p.m.) One hour into a 24-hour period constitutes a day's charge. (Four-day maximum)

General Policy

The following criteria will be evaluated for granting permission to dock. The appropriate application [See Procedures: Dock, British Landing] will be completed for the record.

1. Is the use by a public agency?
2. Is the use by a private party who is working on a public project?
3. State Park needs have precedence at all times.
4. A bond must be posted to indemnify the State in the event of damage.
5. In case of conflict in scheduling, public needs take precedence.
6. Permission must be obtained for each docking from the Mackinac Island State Park Manager.
7. Could the docking and cargo be accommodated by a private dock?
8. Does the docking activity create a hazard on British Landing Road?
9. Will materials be temporarily stored on the dock? (4-day maximum)
10. Is the vehicle transporting hazardous materials?
11. Has the applicant caused any problems at the dock on prior occasions?
12. The applicant must obtain the necessary motor vehicle permit from City and State authorities before permit will be granted.
13. Any vehicles transported must meet State weight restrictions.
14. For recyclables and dumpsters, the permits are issued for a two-week period. The permit lists the number of and dates of the trips (effective July 1992).