

#### LEGAL NOTICE NO.....

# THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT

(Cap. 376)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by Section 116 (1) and (2) (b) of the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, Cap. 376, the Cabinet Secretary for Tourism and Wildlife on recommendation of the Service, makes the following Regulations—

# THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT (ACCESS AND CONSERVATION) (FEES) REGULATIONS, 2025

Citation.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Wildlife Conservation and Management (Access and Conservation) (Fees) Regulations 2025.

Application.

**2.** (1) These Regulations shall apply in respect to accessing and conservation of national parks, national reserves and sanctuaries.

Interpretation.

**3.** In these Regulations unless the context otherwise requires—

"Act" means the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, Cap.376;

"African citizen" means a national of any other African country other than East Africa;

"Infant" means a child who is below the age of five years;

"Child" means an individual aged between five and 18 years;

"corporate pass" means access rights issued to eligible utility providers having installations within national parks, national reserves and sanctuaries:

"daily fee" means the fee payable for a single entry to a national park, national reserve or sanctuary and which shall be valid for a period not exceeding twenty-four hours;

"disability" means a physical, sensory, mental or other impairment, including any visual, hearing, learning or physical incapability, which impacts adversely on social, economic or environmental participation;

"East African citizen" means a national of an East Africa Community established under Article 2 of the Treaty of Establishment of the East African Community, 2007 and includes nationalities from Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, South Sudan, Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo or Somalia;

"license" means a license issued by the Director General, Tourism Regulatory Authority under Section 98 of the Tourism Act, Cap. 381; "marine parks and reserves" means a protected marine area where no fishing, construction work or any disturbance is allowed unless with written permission of the Director-General and a marine protected area where subsistence fishing is permitted respectively;

"micro enterprise" means a firm, trade, service, industry or a business activity—(a)whose annual turnover does not exceed five hundred thousand shillings;(b)which employs less than ten people; and(c)whose total assets and financial investment shall be as determined by the Cabinet Secretary from time to time, and includes—(i)the manufacturing sector, where the investment in plant and machinery or the registered capital of the enterprise does not exceed ten million shillings;(ii)the service sector and farming enterprises where the investment in equipment or registered capital of the enterprise does not exceed five million shillings; as defined under Section 2 of the Micro and Small Enterprises Act, Cap. 499C;

"mountain parks" means parks within mountain regions which preserve pristine alpine meadows, forests, lakes and peaks.

"non-resident" means a national of any country other than an East African citizen or African citizen;

"premium parks" means parks that offer exceptional quality, superior amenities, exclusive tourism experience, which command higher fees and limited crowd size to maintain ecological integrity and an exceptional visitors experience.

"resident" means a person, other than a Kenyan citizen or an East African citizen, residing in Kenya with valid resident permit;

"Sanctuary" means an area of land or of land and water set aside and maintained by government, community, individual or private entity for the conservation and protection of one or more species of wildlife; "senior citizen" means a Kenyan citizen who is of or above the age of seventy years;

"scenic parks" means a park with exceptional beauty and breath-taking landscapes which emphasizes the preservation of stunning natural scenes such as mountain ranges, waterfalls and dramatic view points;

"small enterprise" means a firm, trade, service, industry or a business activity—(a)whose annual turnover ranges between five hundred and five million shillings; and(b)which employs between ten and fifty people; and(c)whose total assets and financial investment shall be as determined by the Cabinet Secretary from time to time, and includes—(i)the manufacturing sector, where the investment in plant and machinery as well as the registered capital of the enterprise is between ten million and fifty million shillings; and(ii)service and farming enterprises, where the equipment investment as well as registered capital of the enterprise is between five million and twenty million shillings; as defined under section 2 of the Micro and Small Enterprises Act, Cap. 499C;

"special interest parks" means a park that offer adventure and thrilled based recreational facilities within a controlled and safe environment;

"student" means an individual from a recognized secondary school, government or private college or university who is not older than twenty-three years visiting a national park, national reserve, marine park, marine reserve or sanctuary for educational purposes under a documented and organised arrangement with that educational institution but excludes students on personally-arranged visits.

"urban parks" means parks located within the cities and urban areas which offer green spaces and recreational attraction in densely populated areas hence promoting relaxation, physical activities and social attraction.

"wilderness parks" means parks primarily designated for the conservation and preservation of pristine, unspoiled natural landscape and ecosystems so as to allow visitors experience raw and unaltered natural world while minimizing human disruption.

Identification of users.

- 4. (1)A person who seeks to enter into, access or undertake activities in a national park, national reserve or sanctuary shall provide the relevant identification documents as specified under these regulations.
- (2) The identification documents to be provided shall include where the person is—
  - (a) a Kenyan citizen a National identification card;
  - (b) an East Africa citizen a valid passport;
  - (c) an African citizen a valid passport;
  - (d) a resident appropriate documentation from the Kenyan government showing evidence of their residency;
  - (e) a non-resident a valid passport;
  - (f) a person with disability where necessary valid documentation from the National Council for Persons with Disabilities; and
  - (g) a student a valid student identity card.

Categorization of parks, reserves and sanctuaries.

- 5. For purposes of these Regulations, national parks, national reserves and sanctuaries shall be categorized into the following—
  - (a) mountain parks;
  - (b) premium parks;
  - (c) scenic parks;
  - (d) special interest parks
  - (e) urban safari;
  - (f) wilderness parks;
  - (g) marine parks;
  - (h) marine reserve; and
  - (i) sanctuaries.

Conservation fees

- 6. (1) Kenya Wildlife Service shall charge fees for entry and access to national parks, national reserves, sanctuaries and any other conservation areas as may be appropriate.
- (2) Fees payable under sub regulation (1) shall be set out in the First Schedule.

7. (1)A senior citizen, a person with disability or an infant shall be exempted from paying fees in respect of access or entry into a national park, a national reserve or sanctuary:

Provided the senior citizen, person with disability or infant provides the relevant identification document provided under regulation.

(2) Beach Management Units fishing boats shall be exempt from boat anchoring fees.

Revocation of L. N. No. 215 of 2023

8. The Wildlife Conversation and Management (Access and Conservation) (Fees) Regulations, 2023 are revoked.

#### **SCHEDULE I**

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#### **FEES**

### 1. ENTRY FEES FOR PERSONS AGED 18 YEARS AND ABOVE

Park Category			
Talk Caregory	East African citizen (KSh.)	Non resident (USD)	African citizen (USD)
PREMIUM PARKS			
Amboseli National Park Lake Nakuru National Park URBAN PARK	1,500	90	50
Nairobi National Park	1,000	80	40
Nairobi Package (Nairobi Park, Nairobi Orphanage and Nairobi Safari Walk)	1,300	105	55
Nairobi Sanctuary Package (Nairobi Orphanage and Nairobi Safari Walk) WILDERNESS PARKS	500	40	25
A) Tsavo East National Park, Tsavo West National Park	1,000	80	40

B) Meru National Park, Kora National Park and Aberdare National Park MOUNTAIN PARK	800	70	40
Mt. Kenya National Park	800	70	30
SCENIC PARKS			
Hells Gate, Mt. Longonot, Mt. Elgon, Ol Donyo Sabuk, Shimba Hills, Kakamega, Marsabit and Lake Elementaita Wildlife Sanctuary SPECIAL INTEREST PARKS	500	50	20
Mwea, Ruma, Saiwa Swamp, South Turkana, Sibiloi, Central Island, South Island, Ndere Island, Malka Mari, Tana River Primates, Chyullu Hills. SANCTUARIES	500	40	20
Nairobi Orphanage, Nairobi Safari Walk and Kisumu Impala MARINE PROTECTED ARE	300 <b>AS</b>	25	15
A)Kisite Mpunguti and Watamu	500	40	20
B)Mombasa, Malindi, Kiunga and Diani Chale	500	30	15

2. ENTRY FEES FOR STUDENTS AND CHILDREN AGED 5 YEARS AND ABOVE BUT BELOW 18 YEARS

Park Category	East African citizen (KSh.)	Non resident (USD)	African citizen (USD)
PREMIUM PARKS Amboseli National Park Lake Nakuru National Park	750	45	25
URBAN PARK			
Nairobi National Park Nairobi Package (Nairobi	500	40	20
Park, Nairobi Orphanage and Nairobi Safari Walk)	700	55	20
Nairobi Sanctuary			
Package (Nairobi Orphanage and Nairobi Safari Walk)	300	20	15
WILDERNESS PARKS			
Tsavo East National Park Tsavo West National Park Meru National Park & Kora National Park Aberdare National Park	500	40	20
MOUNTAIN PARK			
Mt. Kenya National Park	400	35	15
SCENIC PARKS	100	35	13
Hells Gate Mt. Longonot Mt. Elgon Ol Donyo Sabuk, Shimba Hills, Lake Elementaita Wildlife Sanctuary	250	25	10
SPECIAL INTEREST PARI	KS		
Marsabit, Mwea, Ruma, Saiwa Swamp, South Turkana, Sibiloi, Central Island, South Island, Kakamega,Ndere Island, Malka Mari, Tana River Primates, Chyullu Hills, and Nasalot	250	20	10
SANCTUARIES			
Nairobi Orphanage, Nairobi Safari Walk and Kisumu Impala	200	15	10
MARINE PROTECTED AF	KEAS		
A)Kisite Mpunguti, Watamu,	250	20	10
B)Mombasa, Malindi, Kiunga and Diani Chale	250	15	10

# 3. FEES FOR SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

## (a) Camping

#### **CAMPING FEES**

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	(	KSh.)				
	Adult	Child/ Student	Adult	Child/ Student	Adult	Child/ Student
SPECIAL CAMPSITES						
Premium Parks	500	250	25	15	50	25
(Amboseli and Lake Nakuru)						
All other Parks	250	200	20	10	35	20
Reservation Fees for		10.000				
specialcampsite per week in KSHS		10,000	)			
(non-refundable)						
Cancellation Fees for special		10,000	)			
campsite per week in						
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PUBLIC CAMPSITES						
Premium parks	250	200	15	13	30	25
(Amboseli and						
Lake Nakuru)						
All Other Parks	200	150	10	8	20	15

#### (b) Water sports activities

#### WATER SPORTS ACTIVITY

Annual Licensing fee inclusive of crewand guests

Annual transit fee for Marine sport fishing

Independent watersport participants (walk ins), both citizen and non-residents

# Amount of fees (KSh.)

240,000 for small enterprise businesses with valid Certificate of Incorporation and a license from the Micro and Small Enterprises Authority and Tourism Regulatory Authority respectively.

120,000 for Micro enterprise businesses with valid Certificate of Incorporation and a license from the Micro and Small Enterprises Authority and Tourism Regulatory Authority respectively.

60,000 Sole proprietors 230,000 for commercial boats 10,000 for private boats 500 daily 2,500 weekly 5,000 monthly

10,000 annually

## (c) Other charges

Motor vehicle charges per day	Amount of fees
	(KSh.)
Less than 6 seats	600
6-12 seats	1,500
13-24 seats	3,000

25-44 seats	4,500
45 seats and above	5,000
Vehicle parking charges per day Malindi, Mombasa,	East Africa Citizens:
Shimoni, Longonot, Hells Gate and Lake Nakuru	Kshs 1,000
(the fees shall not be applicable to park visitors with	Non Residents: USD 30
paid tickets) Motor cycle charges in Kshs	
Motorcycles up to 250cc only to (Hells Gate, Longonot,	500
Ol Donyo, Sibiloi, and Kakamega) (above 250 cc not	300
allowed).	
Aircrafts charges (Per Landing) in USD \$	
Maximum 1,500KG	10
1,501-2,500 KG	20
2,501-5,000 KG	25
5,001-10,000 KG	40
10,001-20,000 KG	65
20,001 – 40,000 KG	102
Helicopter landing in Mt. Kenya, Central and South	300
National Park, Chyulu, Kisite Mpunguti in USD	
Daily Parking fee for Aircrafts in USD \$	
Maximum 10,000Kg	24
10,001-40,000 KG	40
Drone charges (KCAA licenses required)(per drone per	East Africa Citizens:
day per park	Kshs 5,000 Non residents: USD 300
Trucks charges per day (Kshs)	Non residents. USD 500
1-3 tons	1,000
4-7 tons	2,250
More than 7 tons	3,250
Boats	3,230
Daily Fees per day in Ksh.	500
Annual pass in Kshs	300
5-9 feet	30,000
10 feet and above	80,000
Monthly anchoring fees (1-30 days) (Ksh.)	00,000
5-9 feet	5,000
10 feet and above	7,000
Annual anchoring fees (Ksh.)	7,000
5-9 feet	20,000
10 feet and above	50,000
Annual fees for Tourists Service Vehicle (TSV) and	30,000
commercial Vehicles (Ksh.)	
TSV's less than 6 seats and commercial vehicle less	10,000
than 2tons stationed in the park	
TSV's 6-12 seats and commercial vehicle 2-5 tons	15,000
stationed in the park	60.000
TSV's 6-13 seats and commercial tour vehicles not	60,000
stationed in the park	100 000
TSV's more than 13 seats and commercial vehicles morethan 5 tons, stationed in the part	100,000
TSV's 6-13 seats and commercial tour vehicles not	120,000
stationed in the park	120,000
4. FEES FOR ANNUAL PASS	

Annual cards	Amount of fees (KSh.)
Adult annual pass	45,000
Child annual pass	10,400
Couple's annual pass (Any two adults)	80,000
Family annual pass (Any two adults and up to 5	130,000
Children)	
Tour driver personalized annual pass	6,000
Corporate annual pass	120,000
Marine Park annual pass	10,500

# 5. FEES FOR SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services	Amount of fees
	(KSh.)
Vehicle recovery inside the park/reserve	10,500

# 6. FEES FOR GROUP ACTIVITIES

These rates shall apply to park entry fees for East African citizens, residents, African citizens and non-residents.

Group rates for Meetings,	Amount of fees
Incentive, conferences and Events	(KShs.)
(MICE) with prior bookings	
100 participants and above	30% of the applicable park entry fees
50-99 participants	20% the applicable park entry fees
30-49 participants	10% the applicable park entry fees
10-29 participants	5% the applicable park entry fees

# 7. FEES FOR TOURISM ACTIVITIES AND EXPERIENCES

Activity	EastAfrican Citizens (KSh.)	African Citizens and Nonresidents (USD)
Animal tracking in selected parks on prior arrangement (per person) exclusive of park fee	2,000	20
Warden's lecture (where available) with priorarrangement (per group)	3,000	30
Event sites Premium and Urban Parks (Terms and conditions apply) exclusive of conservation fees and security charges		
10-30 pax	20,000	200
31-50 pax	30,000	300
51-100 pax	50,000	500
Above 100 pax	80,000	800
All other parks (For every 100 pax)	20,000	300
NB: The above charges are exclusive of conservation fees		
Photo Sessions (weddings, graduations, personalevents) per group exclusive of park fees	20,000	300
Ecological restoration fees for approved off- road conservation activities such as commercial filming and photography among others	20% of the total cost of the activity	20% of the total cost of the activity

Motor Sports restoration fee excluding park entry	20% of the total cost of the total cost	20% of the total cost of the total cost	
Picnic charges within KWS stations per	100	10	
person Participation in wildlife experiences (per person per day)	20,000	200	
Helicopter-Tourism (per person) up to 2hrs (perPark/Reserve)	5,000	100	
Event Security per section of 10 Rangers per day	87,000	1,000	
Night game drive (per person per trip) exclusive of conservation fees in selected Parks and Reserves	3,000	30	
Lake boating (per person per hour)	1,500	15	
Security guided tours per group/ per ranger (minimumtwo rangers) up to 4 hours (Kshs)	2,00	00	
Security guided tours per group/ per ranger (minimumtwo rangers) for more than 4 hours (Kshs)	4,000		
Organised group (maximum 10 pax) walking safaris per person per day per park (Tsavo East, West, Meru and Kora National Park) Exclusive of park entry and security	3,000	50	
(Terms and Conditions apply). Horse riding private horses (excluding rider per day) Hells Gate, Longonot, Oldonyo Sabuk.	1,500	15	
Horse riding private horses (excluding rider per day) Hells Gate, Longonot, Oldonyo Sabuk.	500	10	
Balloon Safaris per landing per person USD \$	Adult USD 50, C	hildren USD 20	
Sport fishing in Parks/reserves per line (excluding marine protected areas)	1,500	50	
Cycling (per day) excluding conservation fees (Hell's Gate, Kakamega, Oldonyo	200	10	
Sabuk, Mt Longonot) Bicycle hire (per day)-Hell's Gate,	500	10	
Kakamega, Oldonyo Sabuk, Mt Longonot Overnight Rhino viewing platform	3,000	60	
Hire of KWS Band	Ksh. 150,000		
	(The proponent to pay for accommodation, meals and transport)		
Conservation fee for private commercial translocation operations(per translocations)	Proponent to m transloo	eet the cost of	

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