



1. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ENTRY FEES

- 1.1. **ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERABLE.**
- 1.2. Any person who enters or engages in an activity at Gault Nature Reserve must have a daily or yearly authorization to enter. Always bring a copy of your tickets as patrollers will be performing checks. There is an exemption for youth aged 17 and under and for a single companion accompanying a person with disabilities.
- 1.3. Day passes and annual cards cannot be used to skip the queue. Parking spaces are not guaranteed.
- 1.4. Prices are subject to change without notice.
- 1.5. McGill University reserves the right to limit, impose a quota on or restrict access to the site without any recourse.
- 1.6. No refunds or credits will be issued if we are forced to close our facilities due to circumstances beyond our control. The possibility of compensation is left to the discretion of McGill University.

2. DAY PASS

- 2.1. All ticket purchases are final. No exchanges, no refunds, no credits. Tickets may not be changed to another date or time slot.
- 2.2. The day pass is valid exclusively on the date and time selected at time of purchase. The day pass allows you to stay until closing time.
- 2.3. Access will be denied if the day pass holder does not arrive within the allocated time slot.
- 2.4. Tickets are available for purchase exclusively online and will not be sold by the gatekeeper or on site.

3. ANNUAL CARD

- 3.1. If you purchased your annual card online, please visit the Welcome Centre with a valid ID to have your picture taken. Proof of payment is required by the gatekeeper.
- 3.2. To use a discount (for users 65 and older or Mont-Saint-Hilaire residents), please visit the Welcome Centre with a valid ID with your name, address, picture and date of birth.
- 3.3. The annual card must be presented at the gatehouse each visit. If the cardholder does not have their card with them, they will be charged the daily access fee, which is non-refundable.
- 3.4. McGill University is not responsible for any lost or stolen cards. To replace a card, the cardholder must visit the Welcome Centre. A fee will be charged for the new card.
- 3.5. McGill University reserves the right to replace a card that is unreadable or has deteriorated due to normal wear and tear. Fees may apply.
- 3.6. The annual card remains the property of McGill University.

Annual card benefits

- 3.7. The day pass will be refunded if you buy an annual pass on the same day. Proof of payment is required.
- 3.8. Access to Gault Nature Reserve 365 days a year during opening hours. No reservation required.
- 3.9. Access to the cross-country skiing network at no additional cost.
- 3.10. Twenty percent (20%) discount on equipment rentals.
- 3.11. Discounts on selected items at the Welcome Centre.
- 3.12. Thanks to an agreement with the City of Mont-Saint-Hilaire, residents of the city will receive a 10% discount if they show a valid proof of residence. This discount is offered only at the Welcome Centre.
- 3.13. You will receive a 10% discount if you renew your annual card online before the previous one has expired.
- 3.14. Morning access is offered to annual cardholders only. This service allows access to the Gault Nature Reserve at the main gate (422 chemin des Moulins) between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. from May 1 to Labour day.
- 3.15. Passengers in an annual card holder's car can buy their day pass directly on site without using the online reservation system. This applies only for vehicles of 8 people or fewer.
- 3.16. Benefits are subject to change without notice. Discounts cannot be combined with any other offer.

Validity period

- 3.17. The annual card is good for one (1) year from the date of purchase.
- 3.18. The annual card is non-transferable and non-refundable.

4. RULES

- 4.1. All guests must comply with the rules of the Reserve.
- 4.2. Failure to follow the rules could result in your being denied access or immediately ejected without any refund or compensation. Moreover, you could be served with a prohibition of access to the Reserve.
- 4.3. Hikers must obey the signs and the rules. Please refer to the full rules on page 2.

Thank you!

Your participation is important to the Gault Nature Reserve. By purchasing an annual card, you receive trail access and discounts on certain services, and you also help McGill University fulfill its mission to preserve ecological integrity and support teaching and research activities at the Gault Nature Reserve.



RULES



PLAN YOUR VISIT

- Plan your visit by checking the rules and the code of ethics.
- You must always carry your day pass or your annual card during your visit.
- Pets are not allowed.
- Smoke-free environment.
- People visit the Reserve to relax, please keep noise to a minimum or wear earphones.



FOR A SAFE HIKE AND TRAIL ETIQUETTE

- You must remain on the hiking trails.
- Access is only permitted during opening hours. The Reserve is private property; trespassers could face fines.
- Wear comfortable clothes suited for hiking. Dress in multiple light layers so that you will be comfortable in a wide range of weather conditions.
- Wear waterproof/breathable lightweight boots or shoes. If recommended, wear crampons.



On one-way trails. Please heed signage for one-way trails. As some trails are one-way, you will be required to complete the entire circuit. Please ensure you are properly prepared before using the trail.



On two-way trails. Hikers coming uphill have the right of way. Please respect one-way travel on the trails. Keep right, pass left. Make your intentions known! Call out when passing. If you want to pass, clearly and politely communicate your plans to other users.

At the summit. Do not gather in groups at the summit. Always keep a distance of at least two metres from other people.



PLEASE HELP PRESERVE WILDLIFE AND FLORA

- Leave your garbage or recycling in the containers provided.
- It is forbidden to take plant specimens, minerals or anything else from the Reserve (animals, plants, wood, rocks, etc.) or to introduce species.
- Help preserve the flora and reduce your environmental impact: stay on marked trails to keep from trampling the plants.
- Do not feed, disturb, trap or hunt animals.



THESE ACTIVITIES ARE INCOMPATIBLE WITH OUR GOAL OF PROTECTING THE ECOLOGICAL INTEGRITY OF THE RESERVE.



- No climbing, orienteering, horseback riding, hang-gliding or sliding.
- No swimming, sailing or fishing on Hertel Lake.
- No operating a drone or other remotely operated device.
- No BBQs, campfires or camping.
- No bikes, motorcycles, snowmobiles or other vehicles.



GUIDE DOGS AND SERVICE DOGS

Guide dogs and service dogs are welcome at the Reserve. The dog may be accompanying someone with a physical, mental, or visual disability.

- Owners are required to carry evidence that the dog is an assistance or guide dog. Acceptable evidence is an identification card issued for the animal by an accredited assistance provider.
- Dogs must wear their assistance dog harness at all times.
- Emotional support dogs are not allowed.