



Berks County Parks Dept. Snowshoe Equipment Loaner Program:

For questions on Loaner Equipment, please contact Lisa Gauker: 610-374-2944 x 2611 or lgauker@countyofberks.com

Snowshoe Loaner Information:

- Snowshoes can only be lent out during regular park hours when terrain conditions have at least 4" of snow on the ground. Parks staff may refuse to loan equipment if there isn't adequate snowpack and staff reserves the right to modify, limit, or terminate the snowshoe loaner permissions at any time and for any reason.
- Snowshoes must be reserved and returned to the Berks Leisure Area: 1901 Tulpehocken Rd. Wyomissing, PA during regular park hours.
- All Loanees must complete the Snowshoe Loaner Form and all Loanees and Participants must agree to all terms and conditions by signing the Loaner Form prior to using Snowshoe equipment.
- Equipment must be returned before the end of day to a Berks County Parks & Recreation staff member (Recreation staff or Rangers), unless prior arrangements are made.
- Snowshoes must be used within County Parks (Stonecliffe, Berks Leisure, Gring's Mill, Red Bridge, Heritage Center, Union Canal Trail, or Antietam Lake Park).
- Snowshoes will be signed out by a parks employee and inspected upon return of equipment - lost, stolen, or damaged equipment is the sole responsibility of the responsible Loanee/Participant.
- A valid driver's license or other form of ID is required as collateral from one member of the party. The ID (collateral) will be held in the Ranger office until all snowshoes are returned.
- Loanee must be an adult. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- **Snowshoes are offered according to weight of each user:**

14" - Kids

25" - Up to 200lbs

36" - Up to 300lbs

19" - Up to 120lbs

30" - Up to 250lbs

• How do I reserve snowshoes?

- Snowshoes may be reserved by stopping into the office during regular hours (Mon.- Fri, 9am-4pm).
- Snowshoes can be reserved day of, or up to 2 days in advance by contacting the Recreation Office at 610-374-2944 ext 2611. On weekends, please contact an on-duty Ranger by calling 484-256-5530. *

**Staff may not be available to instruct you on how to use the equipment. Please be advised that you assume liability for yourself and the equipment you use and be aware of your own ability level. Never use equipment in unsafe areas.*

• What do I need to bring to go snowshoeing?

- Weather appropriate clothing and water is recommended.
- Please bring a form of ID as collateral and fill out Loaner Form. **

***If you plan to drive from Berks Leisure to another park to access trails, DO NOT leave your Driver's License as collateral, use another form of ID*