

Oregon State Parks launches holiday gifts

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) now has a new line of gift gear designed to add style and function to any outdoor adventure at www.OregonStateParksStore.com.

“We are excited to announce our first line of products featuring the state park shield,” said OPRD Director Lisa Sumption. “The shield represents all state parks, and it's a symbol that Oregonians take pride in. It's one of the most recognized and happiest symbols in Oregon.”

An interesting and eclectic, selection of gift gear awaits shoppers. Browse for essentials like baseball caps, water bottles, portable coolers, a pocket knife, a picnic blanket and even a set of telescoping skewers for toasting marshmallows.

Stocking stuffer items include a collapsible solar lantern, a portable pet food bowl, reusable eating utensils and a full color Oregon State Park shield key chain that dou-

bles as a dog tag.

For the kids, the state park mascot J.R. Beaver is featured on several items: a hat, a lightweight stainless steel water bottle, a colorful cinch sack and a special polar fleece hoodie.

OPRD has also created a signature set of three flying discs that show the location of OPRD's nine courses throughout the state. The discs come with a special carrying satchel that holds up to six discs and a water bottle.

The Gift Gear campaign will rotate new items onto the website as they become available.

“This is an experiment,” Sumption said. “We want to get a feel for what our visitors like, and what kind of demand exists for parks-branded items.”

Purchases can be made only through the Oregon State Parks' store or by calling 1-800-551-6949.

Free shipping is included with all items.

Boat registration reminders arriving soon from OMB

The Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) is mailing approximately 78,000 boat registration renewal notices mid-November, to boaters whose boat registration expires Dec. 31.

Using the OMB's online storefront, RegLine (redgeline) is the fastest way for boaters to renew boat registrations.

Options to renew include a printable temporary permit to use the boat right away.

This is the fastest option for single boat renewals.

Customers can click on the 2018 decal image at www.boatoregon.com, which redirects to RegLine.

Click on the “Boat Renewal” tab and enter the Certificate of Number (OR number) and PIN from the renewal notice.

Customers needing to update their address and contact information or needing to renew multiple boat registrations with a single payment, need to login to their account.

For boaters who choose to renew by mail, they can detach and mail the remittance coupon they receive in the mail with a check or money order. One payment can also be mailed with multiple coupons.

Boaters can also go register through a local boat registration agent by taking the boat registration renewal notice to a local agent, who can charge an additional fee up to \$8.

For a list of agents in your area, visit www.boatoregon.com.

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Oregon boat registration for 2018 must be completed by Dec. 31.

The online registration system is also integrated with other Marine Board services where boaters can order any of the following:

- Boater Education Card or Replacement Card
- Certificate of Title for a Boat and Replacement Title
- Certificate of Number (Boat Registration Card with OR number) with or without Registration Decals and Replacement Stickers
- Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Permits
- Outfitter and Guide Registration and Renewals
- Charter Boat License Application and Renewal

As a result of legislation in 2015, the cost for registration is now \$4.50 per foot, rounded

to the highest foot.

A \$5 surcharge is also added to the registration fee for the Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention fund that pays for inspection stations, decontamination equipment, inspectors, signage, and education materials.

The Marine Board is funded entirely by motorized boat registrations, motorboat fuel tax and receives federal funding to support services to boaters. Nearly .86 cents of every dollar are returned to boaters in the form of law enforcement services, boat ramps, restrooms (floating and land-based), parking, boarding floats, and boating safety classes and information.



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