

GMC Rental Cabin Group Use Donation Policy

Background:

The Green Mountain Club is the manager of two backcountry cabins, Bolton Lodge and Bryant Camp in Bolton, VT, which are owned by the VT Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation. In addition, GMC owns Hadsel-Mares and Jean Haigh Cabins in Barton, VT. This policy applies to third-party requests for free nights at any of GMC's Cabins, except those requests made by the State of Vermont for use of Bolton Lodge or Bryant Camp, which are allowed in the Management Agreement under which GMC manages the cabins.

Objective:

To provide equitable opportunities to access GMC's cabins, as outlined in GMC's Strategic Plan.

Policy:

GMC offers up to eight free nights per cabin per year with the intention to provide access to rental cabins to groups to whom rental fee presents a barrier to access. Free rentals are available to non-profit or other public groups with charitable missions* for a one or two consecutive night stay. Donated nights are to be evenly distributed throughout the year, two per season**. Groups may apply for consideration by filling out a web form on GMC's website by March 1st of each calendar year and providing the following information:

- Group name
- Organizer name and contact information
- GMC cabin requested
- Dates requested
- Alternative dates if preferred dates are not available
- Brief description of group, including a link to group's website or social (if available)
- Goal or purpose of the outing and expected number of participants

GMC Visitor Center Manager and Director of Land Conservation will review applications and determine allocation of donated nights prior to March 14th of each calendar year.

Application will be screened for eligibility by the following criteria:

- Submitted by the deadline of March 1st
- Complete with no missing information
- Submitted by non-profit or public group with a charitable mission
- Proposed use of the cabin consistent with [GMC cabin policies](#)

Filling out the online request form is not a guarantee that the applicant will be granted free use of the cabin or use on the dates requested. If more eligible applications than slots are submitted for a quarter, groups will be selected through a lottery. Groups may apply for multiple stays per year, however all groups will be accommodated, as possible, before multiple stays are granted to any one group.

Cancelations:

Groups in need of canceling their stay should contact the Visitor Center Manager at their earliest convenience to notify GMC of the cancelation. Groups may request to reschedule their booking and will be awarded at the Visitor Center Manager's discretion based on the upcoming cabin rentals.

Non-Discrimination Clause:

The mission of the Green Mountain Club is to make the mountains of Vermont play a larger role in the life of the people. We are committed to ensuring the GMC and Long Trail System are places that are inviting, safe, and open, regardless of age, gender, race, religion, ethnicity, ability, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status. GMC reserves the right to deny current and future rentals to any individuals or groups who do not follow this agreement.

*Public group with charitable missions refers to an organization open to members of the public with a shared interest or affiliation (such as veterans' group, school class/club, or summer camp) that serves the community in which it operates.

**Seasons are defined as: Winter: January – March, Spring: April-June, Summer: July-September, Fall: October-December