Photography at the Agricultural History Farm Park

The Agricultural History Farm Park is a historic & picturesque 455-acre property in the heart of Montgomery County, Maryland. The park is owned and operated by Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), Montgomery County Parks.

A paid photo permit is required for posed photography sessions held at the Agricultural History Farm Park **7 days a week, dawn to dusk.** User fees help us achieve our mission to preserve, protect, educate and care for the historical structures and grounds of the Agricultural History Farm Park.

A Photography Permit is required for all posed photography sessions including family portraits, engagement, wedding, Quinceanera, prom photos, and films.

A photography permit is required when:
- The primary purpose of your visit is to capture photos of your family/group
- You or any member of your party is wearing formal attire/costume/wedding attire
- A photographer (professional or hobbyist) is accompanying you to take photos
- A professional photographer is taking posed or portrait photos

M-NCPPC, Montgomery County Parks Policy on User Fees:
Basic facilities, services, and programs (such as trails, playgrounds, and picnic areas), which appeal to a broad spectrum of the community, are supported by general tax dollars and are provided at no additional charge to residents. **User Fees are charged for those facilities, services, and programs which provide an individual benefit or an exclusive use. User Fees may also be charged to balance use with capacity and demand, and to allocate scarce resources.**
*(Effective January 1, 2010, approved by M-NCPPC Planning Board, October 2009)*

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**DAILY RATES**
*Number of people includes photographer, assistant(s) and photo subjects*

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**GUIDELINES**
Permits
- An approved permit and full payment is required before a photography session can be held at the Agricultural History Farm Park.
- Your photo permit provides you with non-exclusive use of the Agricultural History Farm Park.
- Photo permits do not include any restricted-use areas including pastures and fenced areas.
- Drones are prohibited at the Agricultural History Farm Park.
- Grounds Permits do not include use of any interior structures for posed photographs.
Grounds & Historic Buildings Permits include use of the interior of historic buildings including the Agricultural History Farm Park’s farmhouse, barn, and outbuildings.

- **Availability is dependent upon scheduled programs & events.**
- Permits should be purchased at least 2 weeks prior by the photographer or photo session coordinator.
- **Day-of permits are not available for the Agricultural History Farm Park.**

Your session

- Please arrive in a timely manner and adhere to your scheduled time. Sessions that run more than 20 minutes over their scheduled time will be charged an additional hour. Please plan accordingly.
- Costume pieces and hand-held props are permitted. Clothing and props may not be hung from any park sign, structure, tree, plants or fences.
- Farm animals are not be disturbed during the photography session.
- Larger props are not permitted- including tables, chairs, clothing racks, free-standing arches, etc.
- If you plan on arriving in a limousine, bus or other large vehicle please indicate at the time of your permit request.

**PHOTOGRAPHY/FILMOGRAPHY TERMS OF USE**

Please read carefully. **Receipt of your payment constitutes understanding of and responsibility to comply with the Terms of Use listed below:**

- Photo Sessions are reserved for one hour only. You may book multiple One-Hour Sessions.
- The Photo Session must not interfere with others’ enjoyment of the park.
- Do not disturb any signs, structures, fences, trees, plants, block paths, or climb fences/walls.
- Photo Sessions are not allowed inside any historic structure without special arrangements.
- For the safety of all visitors, please be mindful of cords and equipment that pose a hazard.
- Photo Sessions are reserved as available and may not be permitted during scheduled events or periods of heavy public visitation.
- Photo Sessions can be rescheduled or transferred with 48 hours’ notice. No refunds are available.
- For any photos published online or in print, please include location in caption: “Agricultural History Farm Park, Derwood, MD”.

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**TO SCHEDULE A PHOTO SESSION:**

**Availability is subject to scheduled tours, programs and scheduled photoshoots.**

- Download the Photography Session Request Form at [AgHistoryFarm.org](http://AgHistoryFarm.org)
- Complete the Photography Session Request Form and submit it via email to: [AHFPprograms@montgomeryparks.org](mailto:AHFPprograms@montgomeryparks.org)
- Within 7 days, we’ll send you a confirmation email with a link to your ActiveMontgomery permit. Follow the link and pay online.
- If the date/time is not available or if more information is needed, the Reservations Coordinator will contact you.
- No photo session is scheduled or may be held without confirmation and payment received in full.

**To schedule a photography session or for more information contact:**

The Reservations Office at Agricultural History Farm Park
301-670-4663 or
[AHFPprograms@montgomeryparks.org](mailto:AHFPprograms@montgomeryparks.org)