



Avalon

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January 18
Sunday



Registration will open Monday Jan. 12 at 6pm and close Saturday Jan. 17 at 12 noon.

Update as of Sat. 1/17 @ 10am: Yes! This Event Will Take Place As Scheduled.

Orienteering at Avalon

Welcome to the Avalon section of Patapsco Valley State Park, where you'll find fairly typical ridge/valley terrain (similar to the other PVSP areas), with steep hillsides both to the start and on the courses.

For several reasons, this event will feature **advanced courses only (Beige through Blue)**, while the introductory, learner, and intermediate courses White, Yellow, and Orange will **not** be offered. Consequently, beginner instruction will not be provided. Also, due to the advanced & steep terrain, we do **not** recommend that beginner or intermediate-level runners attempt to "run up" and try an advanced course at this particular venue.

All registrations must be individual (in other words, members of groups choosing to orienteer together



must register individually). We also ask that you attempt to hit your chosen registration time slot in an effort to spread out the use of the available parking spots, in response to a park request.

In addition, **Patapsco Valley State Park has a strict rain policy**, which will force us to postpone or cancel the event in case of more than 1/4" of precipitation within the 24 hours preceding the event (this event was originally scheduled for Jan. 11 but rain forced it to be cancelled). Please check the event status on this webpage late Saturday evening and/or early Sunday morning before traveling to the meet if rain has been falling during the 24 hours preceding the event. If we cancel the event, we will fully refund all registration payments. [SEE UPDATE ABOVE: The weather has been good enough and so this event **will** take place as planned.]

Dogs are permitted at this event but must be leashed at all times.

Park Entrance Fee

The park collects entry fees, as follows:

- \$2 per vehicle in-state; \$4 per vehicle out-of-state
- Buses: \$10 per bus (any vehicle with over 9 passengers)
- Admitted Free: Children buckled in safety seats, senior citizens 62 and older with the Golden Age Pass, people with the Universal Disability Pass for persons with disabilities, members of the Maryland National Guard and all active duty military personnel who display their active military identification card (complimentary access is permitted for card holder only).

A ranger may not be on duty to provide change or check your pass. Please remember to pay the fee and/or enter your pass ID on the envelopes at the entry gate, even if the booth is unmanned.

Parking and Check-in Details

Car-pooling is encouraged in order to minimize club use of the available parking spaces. Additional parking is available but will require an additional walk to get to the registration area.

Event check-in is at Shelter #105; there are restrooms nearby.

Both Start and Finish are remote.

Groups

OC allows groups of up to 4 people to orienteer together, but please note that for this event, all persons must register individually. Any youth or large groups attending this event should contact the [Event Directors](#) [2] in advance so that we can coordinate pre-registration for your group. Details and the required waiver form can be found on our [For Group Leaders](#) [3] webpage.

Location

Patapsco Valley State Park, Avalon area, Elkridge, MD (Advanced Only)

Registration