

Montshire Museum of Science

Calculating the tax-deductibility of your contribution

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Membership Benefits

As a member of the Montshire Museum of Science, you receive the following benefits:

- Unlimited visits to the Montshire for 12 months.
- 10% discount in the Museum Store.
- 10% admission discount at over 200 other Vermont museums and historic sites.
- Occasional invitations to members-only events and exhibit openings.
- Discounts on educational programs.
- Pre-registration privilege and discount for Montshire Summer Camp.
- *Montshire News* and *eNews* subscriptions.
- Discount coupons for restaurants and activities.

Under Internal Revenue Service guidelines, the estimated value of the benefits listed above is not substantial; therefore the full amount of your payment is a deductible contribution.

Donor Benefits

Donors who are classified as “Friends” give more than their membership fee but less than \$150. Except for a listing in our annual report, the benefits are the same as for basic members. The value of all “Friends” benefits is insubstantial.

The following benefits are offered to donors of \$150 or more, in addition to all the membership benefits listed above. Donors must reduce the amount of contribution deduction by the fair market value of benefits received.

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| • 10 free admission passes | <i>\$9 each, \$90 total</i> |
| • Caregiver admission privileges | <i>Insubstantial value</i> |
| • 20% discount in the Montshire Gift Shop | <i>Insubstantial value</i> |
| • Recognition in Montshire’s annual report | <i>Insubstantial value</i> |
| • Occasional donor events | <i>Insubstantial value</i> |

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