

Chapter 47 Village Park Rules and Regulations

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Section 47.01 DEFINITION OF PARKS

For the purpose of this Chapter of the Village Code the word "Parks" and "Park" shall include the Rock Creek Veterans Park, located on South Jefferson Street, south of the 300 block of East Franklin Street and any other park hereinafter created by the Village.

Section 47.02 PARK HOURS

All Village Parks shall open at dawn and close at dusk except when prior approval for an event has been approved in advance by the Village.

Section 47.03 REMOVAL OF PROPERTY

No person in a Park shall remove any property, natural features or part thereof including but not limited to, any building, equipment, sign, rock, stone, earth, wood, tree, shrub, flower, plant from a Park without the written approval of the Village Board.

Section 47.04 DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY

No person in a park shall injure, break, destroy, tamper with, cut, chop, carve, write upon, deface, dig, paint or damage in any manner any property, natural feature or part thereof any building, equipment, structure, sign, rock, stone, earth, wood, tree, shrub, flower plant; nor should any person in a park have in his or her possession any property or part thereof having been so affected.

Section 47.05 LITTERING OR DUMPING

No person shall dispose, discard or leave behind any waste material including but limited to paper, garbage, ashes on the ground of a Park.

Section 47.06 ANIMAL RULES

Leash Rule: No person shall bring into, have or keep in a park any animal, wild or domestic, unless such animal is controlled by a leash of eight (8) feet or less.

Unruly Animals: No pets or other animals shall be allowed to become obnoxious, aggressive or disturbing to the other users of the park.

Animal Feces: No person shall leave any pet feces on any Park property.

Section 47.07 WHEELED TRANSPORTATION

Skateboards, Rollerblades, Rollerskates, Bicycles, Scooters, any and all other wheeled transportation, except for wheelchairs, are prohibited from being used in a Park and prohibited from being used on any Park equipment.

Section 47.08 USE OF PAINT OR OTHER CHEMICALS

No person shall possess, discharge, use, shoot or spray any item used to discharge any liquid, paint, gas, pellets or balls in a Park.

Section 47.09 FIREARMS AND WEAPONS

No person shall carry, possess, shoot or discharge a bow and arrow, firearm, missile, slingshot, air or gas guns or any other missile-throwing device in a Park.

Section 47.10 DISORDERLY CONDUCT

No Person in a Park shall conduct him or herself by word or act in a disorderly, boisterous or other manner so as to disturb the peace and good order in a Park.

Section 47.11 NOISE

No person in a Park shall operate or play a radio, television, musical instrument or amplifying or sound equipment so as to disturb the peace and good order in a Park that is audible more than 25 feet from the object without written authorization from the Village.

Section 47.12 ALCOHOL

No person shall be intoxicated or be under the influence of any intoxicating liquor while in a Park. Except as authorized by the Village Board, no person shall possess or consume alcoholic beverages in a Park.

Section 47.13 DRUGS

No person shall be under the influence of illegal drugs while in a

Park. Any and all illegal drugs are prohibited from being brought into or consumed in a Park.

Section 47.14 FIRES

No persons shall light, build or attempt to light a fire in a Park. Any group wanting to have a special function (ie campfire, wiener roast, etc.) must obtain prior approval from an official of the Village.

Section 47.15 CLIMBING TREES AND OTHER PARK STRUCTURES

No persons shall climb any tree nor climb, walk, run, stand or sit upon any wall, building, fountain, fence, railing or eating sections of picnic tables in the Park.

Section 47.16 TENTS AND OTHER STRUCTURES

No persons shall construct or erect any building, tent, or structure of whatever kind in a Park, whether permanent or temporary in character, or run or string any public service utility into, upon or across a Park without first having obtained all necessary permits and approval that shall be lawfully required by the Village.

Section 47.17 TRESPASS TO PARKS AFTER HOURS

No person shall enter upon or be present in a Park of the Village after dusk or before sunrise except when prior approval was obtained from the village or in the course of special events organized or authorized by the Village Board.

Section 47.18 RESTROOMS

No persons in a Park shall fail to cooperate in maintaining the restrooms in a neat and sanitary condition. No person over the age of five years of age shall enter into or use a Park restroom that is designated for the exclusive use of the opposite sex.

Section 47.19 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS/BOARD MEMBERS/EMPLOYEES

All law enforcement officers, all elected or duly appointed Village Board members and Village employees shall have the authority to eject from a Park any persons acting in violation of this ordinance or any park thereof.

Section 47.20 HINDERING EMPLOYEES

No persons shall hinder, interfere with or threaten to do bodily harm to any person who is designated within this Chapter 47 to enforce this Chapter 47 while they are engaged in performing their duties in enforcing this Chapter 47.

Section 47.99 PENALTY

Whoever violates any provision of this Chapter shall be subject to the general penalty provision, Section 1.06, of this Municipal Code. Each day a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense.