

Chapter 24

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ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

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ARTICLE II. PARK RULES

Sec. 24-19. Duty of users to maintain parks and grounds in neat and sanitary condition.

Each person using the public parks and grounds shall clean up all debris, extinguish all fires when such fires are permitted, and leave the premises in good order and the facilities in a neat and sanitary condition.

(Code 1981, § 7-4-1)

Sec. 24-20. Prohibited acts.

(a) It is unlawful for any person using such parks to either perform or permit to be performed any of the following acts:

- (1) Willfully mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with or displace or remove any building, bridge, table, bench, fireplace, railing, paving or paving material, water line or other public utilities or parts or appurtenances thereof, sign, notice or placard whether temporary or permanent, monument, stake, post or other boundary marker, or other structures or equipment, facilities or park property or appurtenances whatsoever either real or personal.
- (2) Throw, discharge or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any fountain, pond, lake, stream, bay or other body of water in or adjacent to any park or any tributary, stream, storm sewer or drain flowing into such waters, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will or may result in the pollution of the waters.
- (3) Bring in or dump, deposit or leave any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, boxes, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage or refuse, or other trash. No such refuse or trash shall be placed in any waters in or contiguous to any park, or left anywhere on the grounds thereof, but shall be placed in the proper receptacles when these are provided. When receptacles are not so provided, all such rubbish or waste shall be carried away from the park by the person responsible for its presence and properly disposed of elsewhere.
- (4) Engage in any conduct intended to breach the peace and alarm or disturb another person.
- (5) Endanger the safety of any person by any conduct or act.
- (6) Commit any assault, battery or engage in fighting.
- (7) Carry, possess or drink any alcoholic liquor in any park.

- (8) Drive or park any automobile except on a street, driveway or parking lot in any park.
 - (9) Park or leave any such vehicle in any place other than one established for public parking.
 - (10) Bring any dangerous animal into any park.
 - (11) Permit any dog to be in any park unless such dog is on a leash not more than six feet long.
 - (12) Paste, glue, tack or otherwise post any sign, placard, advertisement or inscription whatever.
 - (13) Erect or cause to be erected any sign whatever on any public lands or highways or roads adjacent thereto; provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to any properly authorized government official in pursuit of any official duty.
- (b) It is unlawful for anyone under the age of 21 years to possess or use any cigar, cigarette, smokeless tobacco or tobacco in any of its forms in or on any village park or village property. For purposes of this subsection, the term "smokeless tobacco" means any finely cut, ground, powdered, or leaf tobacco that is intended to be placed in the oral cavity.
(Code 1981, §§ 7-4-2, 7-4-6; Ord. No. 645, 11-1-1994)

Sec. 24-21. Hours of operation.

- (a) Village parks shall be open daily to the public during the hours from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. of any day, and it is unlawful for any person (other than village personnel conducting village business therein) to occupy or be present in the parks during the hours in which the parks are not open to the public.
- (b) The parks shall remain open later than 9:00 p.m. pursuant to prior approval of the board of trustees of the village in certain designated areas when special events are being held in the area.
- (c) Any section or part of any park may be declared closed to the public by the board of trustees of the village at any time and for any interval of time, either at temporary or regularly stated intervals.
(Code 1981, § 7-4-3)

Sec. 24-22. Group activity.

When any group, association or organization desires to use the park facilities for a particular purpose, such as picnics, parties or theatrical or entertainment performances, a representative of the group, association or organization shall first obtain permission from the board of trustees of the village.
(Code 1981, § 7-4-4)

Sec. 24-23. Picnic areas and use.

No person, without prior approval of the board of trustees, shall use any portion of the picnic areas or any of the buildings or structures therein for the purpose of holding picnics or other activities to the exclusion of other persons, nor shall any person use such area or facilities for an unreasonable time if the facilities are crowded.

(Code 1981, § 7-4-5)

