

**BOARDMAN TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT
GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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The Board of Park Commissioners of Boardman Township Park District, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Sections 511.23 (B) (F), has adopted the following **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE PARK DISTRICT** in order to provide for the protection and preservation of all property and natural life within its jurisdiction:

1.0) FIRES

- 1.1) No person shall start or maintain a fire on Park District lands, except small fires in grills for cooking purposes or fires in fireplaces.
- 1.2) No person shall leave a fire that he or she has started. All fires started shall be put out by the person starting them before leaving the area.
- 1.3) Any person discarding a lighted match, cigarette or cigar shall completely extinguish and dispose of it in a proper receptacle.

2.0) PRESERVATION OF PROPERTY AND PLANT MATERIAL

- 2.1) No person shall in any way damage, deface, destroy or remove any part of a Park District owned facility, sign, equipment, or other property.
- 2.2) No person shall damage, destroy, deface or remove any part of any tree, flower, shrub or other vegetation.

3.0) ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, DRUGS, OPIATES, INTOXICANTS, OR HALLUCINATORY SUBSTANCES

- 3.1) No person shall consume, possess, distribute or offer for sale any alcoholic beverage within the Park District.
- 3.2) No person shall use, possess, distribute or offer for sale any drugs, opiates, marijuana or hallucinatory substances within the Park District.
- 3.3) No person shall be under the influence of the substances stated in 3.1 and 3.2 while within the Park District.

4.0) GAMBLING AND GAMES OF CHANCE

- 4.1) No person shall organize, conduct or participate in games of chance (Bingo, Poker, etc.) in any form within the Park District.

5.0) GARBAGE, YARD WASTE AND FOREIGN MATERIALS

- 5.1) No person shall discard or dispose of, on Park District property, any household garbage, yard waste or foreign materials generated outside of the Park District.
- 5.2) Refuse, garbage and other residue of a picnic or activity shall be deposited in receptacles provided for such purposes.

6.0) SPEED LIMIT

- 6.1) The speed limit for all motor vehicles using Park District drives is fifteen miles per hour (15 mph).

7.0) ANIMALS

- 7.1) Dogs, cats and other household pets are permitted on Park District property only if the animal is controlled at all times either in a cage or on a leash no longer than six feet. Dogs and cats are not permitted on playgrounds, picnic areas, flowerbeds or in buildings or pavilions.
- 7.2) Dog, cat or household pet droppings must be removed from the following Park District facilities by the person in control of the animal: drives, parking lots, walkways, trails or within ten (10) feet of the aforementioned facilities.
- 7.3) No person shall abandon any animal on the Park District property.
- 7.4) No person shall hunt or trap any animal on Park District property.

8.0) SNOWMOBILES, ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES, DIRT BIKES

- 8.1) No person shall operate a snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle or dirt bike on Park District property.

9.0) HOURS OF CLOSING

- 9.1) The Park shall be closed from Dark until 7:00 A.M. No person, except persons and their guests holding permits for the use of Park District meeting rooms and open-air pavilions, or participants in Park District activities and Park District employees on duty shall remain on Park District lands during these hours.

10.0) ROLLER-SKATES, SKATE BOARDS, ROLLERBLADES AND BICYCLES

- 10.1) No person is permitted to roller skate, skate board or rollerblade on Park District drives, walking trails, playgrounds, tennis courts, walkways or parking lots. This activity is restricted to the Hike and Bike Trail.
- 10.2) No person shall operate a bicycle on Park District walking trails, playgrounds, tennis courts or walkways. This activity is restricted to Park District drives and the Hike and Bike Trail.

11.0) HIKE AND BIKE TRAIL

- 11.1) No person shall drive a motorized vehicle on any walking trail. Vehicles are restricted to paved roadways or drives and designated parking areas except with the permission of the Superintendent.
- 11.2) The Hike and Bike Trail, and the adjacent nature trails and other natural areas shall be closed from dusk to 7:00AM, year round. No person shall be on the Hike and Bike Trail and its adjacent areas during these hours except Park District employees on duty.

12.0) COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES

- 12.1) No person shall offer for sale any article, privilege, service or subscription on Park District lands unless approved by the Board of Park Commissioners.
- 12.2) No person shall solicit collections or donations nor beg and hawk for any purpose on Park property unless approved by the Board of Park Commissioners.

13.0) RESERVATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 13.1) Persons holding a reservation for a Park District pavilion or building shall not have use of the facility where said use exceeds the number of hours stated per the reservation permit. The hours reserved shall include set-up and clean-up time.
- 13.2) Any person holding a reservation permit for Park District pavilions or buildings shall not invite, welcome, entertain, sponsor or serve host to a party, festivity, meeting or other organized activity where the total number of individuals in attendance exceeds the stated capacity of the facility per the reservation receipt, nor shall said persons provide additional tables and chairs in order to accommodate such a group.
- 13.3) Persons holding reservation permits are responsible for the physical condition of the facility reserved and overseeing the conduct of persons in attendance. Any damage to the facility as a result of said reservation shall be the responsibility of the person holding the reservation permit.
- 13.4) Reservation holders' responsibilities involve overseeing the conduct of persons attending the function and condition of the facility reserved. Any damage is the financial responsibility of the reservation holder.
- 13.5) No person shall transfer tables and chairs, owned by the Park District, from one room, area or building to another except with the permission of the Superintendent.
- 13.6) No person shall misuse and/or abuse any facility of the Park District. Any violator will receive a written letter governing future reservations.
- 13.7) There shall be no teenage parties in any building of the Park District.

14.0) WEAPONS, FIREWORKS, EXPLOSIVES, BOWS AND ARROWS

- 14.1) Unless otherwise authorized by law, no person shall carry, possess, discharge or have under their control, air, gas, pellet, or similar type guns; sling shots; bows of any type and arrows; fireworks or explosives on or into Park District lands except with the permission of the Board of Park Commissioners.
- 14.2) No person shall carry, possess, discharge or have under their control a paint ball gun or other similar device on or into Park District lands.

15.0) DISORDERLY CONDUCT

- 15.1) No person shall recklessly cause inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm to another, by doing any of the following: Engaging in fighting, in threatening harm to persons or property, or in violent or turbulent behavior.
- 15.2) Making unreasonable noise or offensively coarse utterance, gesture, or display, or communicating unwarranted and grossly abusive language to any person.
- 15.3) Insulting, taunting, or challenging another, under circumstances in which such conduct is likely to provoke a violent response.
- 15.4) Hindering or preventing the movement of persons on a public street, road, highway, or right-of-way, or to, from, within, or upon public or private property, so as to interfere with the rights of others, and by any act which serves no lawful and reasonable purpose of the offender.
- 15.5) Creating a condition which is physically offensive to persons or which presents a risk of physical harm to persons or property, by any act which serves no lawful and reasonable purpose of the offender.

16.0) PARKING

- 16.1) No person shall park a motor vehicle, trailer, motorcycle or any other vehicle on the lands of the Park except in places designated by the Board of Park Commissioners for such purposes.

17.0) OTHER REGULATIONS

- 17.1) In addition to the General Rules and Regulations, Park visitors are also subject to the Rules and Regulations of playgrounds and other Park District facilities and activities.

18.0) NO SMOKING

- 18.1) No person shall carry, possess, use or have under their control a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or other similar object within any building or indoor meeting room of the Park District.

19.0) PENALTIES

- 19.1) Whoever violates any of these General Rules and Regulations is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for a first offense and shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars; for each subsequent offense such person is of a misdemeanor of the third degree and shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned not more than sixty days or both.