

SMITH TOWNSHIP, MAHONING COUNTY

PARK & RECREATION RULES

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Board of Trustees of Smith Township, Mahoning County, Ohio by Section 505.261 of the Ohio Revised Code, the following rules and regulations are hereby made and adopted for the preservation of good order and preservation of the parks under the jurisdiction and control of the Board of Trustees:

It Shall Be Unlawful:

1. To enter, use or occupy lands controlled by the Trustees for any purposes when said lands are posted against such entry, use or occupancy as determined by the Board of Trustees.
2. To destroy, damage or remove any tree, shrub, wildflower, or other vegetation or to destroy, damage, deface or remove any Park property.
3. For any reason, to remain in the Park or its recreation areas between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.; unless such person or persons have received prior advance permission from the Board of Trustees or its authorized agent.
4. For any person, without written permission of an authorized representative of the Trustees, to sell or solicit business of any nature, or to distribute handbills or other advertising matter, post signs on the lands, structures, or property; or to use such areas as a base of commercial operations, or to charge admission to any activity.
5. To use any loudspeaker, public address system or sound amplifying equipment of any kind without a permit issued by an authorized representative of the Board of Trustees; or to operate any motor vehicle, radio, television, or any other device in such a manner as to produce excessive noise.
6. For any person to consume intoxicating liquor, beer, or wine; to be intoxicated or to engage in any violent, abusive, loud, boisterous, vulgar, lewd, wanton, obscene or otherwise disorderly conduct lending to create a breach of the peace or to disturb or annoy others; to lounge, sit or lie upon walkways, passages or steps or to obstruct the free passage of others; to build fires, except in designated places as approved by an authorized representative of the Board of Trustees.
7. To litter in any park area; or to deposit refuse or waste material in receptacles provided for Park users, which have been accumulated outside of the park area.
8. For any person to possess a glass container of any kind within the park.
9. To operate or park a motor vehicle in the Park, except on roads or designated parking areas; to operate a motor vehicle on any Park road or within any parking lot at a speed exceeding fifteen (15) miles per hour, in an unsafe manner, at a speed greater than that posted, or to disobey traffic signs.
10. To operate any off-the-road motor-driven vehicle such as a minibike, motorcycle, dune mobile, snowmobile, converted snowmobile, amphibious vehicle, or any motorized device except on designated roads.
11. To possess, carry or allow any pet within the Township Park.

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Domesticated Pet Dogs are permitted in the park under the following conditions:

At all times:

- (a) Must be licensed in the County of Residence.
- (b) Must have all required shots and vaccinations.
- (c) Must be restrained, controlled, and contained by
 - (i) A closed animal pet crate, or other enclosed container:
 - (ii) A collar and leash of sufficient strength and material not to exceed six feet (6')
 - (iii) A muzzle if classified as a "Vicious" Dog under Ohio Law
- (d) Are not permitted to climb on benches, tables, playground equipment, except those provided specifically for pets.
- (e) The owner or handler must pick up after and clean up all pet waste and deposit it in their own bag, container, waste container, or such disposal contained provided by the Park

12. To (a.) carry or have in one's possession a firearm; (b) shoot an air gun, gas gun, spring-loaded gun, or slingshot; or (c) shoot with bow and arrow.

13. To hunt, trap, kill, wound, capture, or intentionally disturb any bird, animal, or other wildlife.

14. To camp without written permit issued by an authorized representative of the Board of Trustees.

Additionally, the following shall apply:

- 1. People with permits have priority for date(s) and time(s) designated on the permit.
- 2. Children or adults should not walk or play in the flowerbeds.
- 3. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a suitable adult at all times.
- 4. At the discretion of the Board of Trustees, a surcharge for security/law enforcement may be applied and reviewed on a case by case basis.
- 5. Although the Township conducts regular inspections of the Parks Land, Facilities and Recreational Equipment, and performs regular maintenance, the use of certain aspects of the Park and its Recreational Equipment may constitute a hazardous activity, and as such each person engaged in those activities assumed the risk of injury.

At all times, please be respectful of other people and the park facilities.

Penalty

Whoever violates the Rules and Regulations of Parkside Park shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a first time offense; for each subsequent offense, such person shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES