



# Olympia Fields

## Park District

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# **PARK REGULATIONS**

## **11.100 Purpose**

The purpose of setting forth park regulations and misdemeanors (same as Ordinance #143) is to provide for the safety and enjoyment of the park patron and to safeguard Park District property.

## **11.120 Definition of Terms**

“Village” is the Village of Olympia Fields, Cook County, Illinois.

“District” is the Olympia Fields Park District, Cook County, Illinois.

“Board” is the Board of Commissioners of the Olympia Fields Park District.

“Executive Director” is the chief administrative officer of the District, and has been and is sometimes referred to as “Director” or “Director of Parks and Recreation.”

“Park” is any playfield, playground, swimming pool, ice skating rink, open area, building or parts thereof or other facility and the materials and equipment therein owned, leased, or in use by the District.

“Person” is any individual, firm, partnership, group, association, corporation, governmental unit, company or organization of any kind, except police officers of the Village and the District, if its employees and Board members are engaged in the performance of District duties.

“Vehicle” is any motor powered conveyance, including mini-bikes, go-carts, and snowmobiles, but not including conveyances in use by the District.

#### **11.140 Park Regulations and Misdemeanors**

SECTION 1. No person shall enter a Park or part thereof posted as “Closed to the Public,” nor shall any person use or abet the use of any such Park or part thereof in violation of posted notices.

SECTION 2. No person shall enter upon any Park except during daylight hours except when so authorized to do so by the Board, or except when attending an authorized meeting or other activity being held in a Park building or departing there from.

SECTION 3. No person shall hinder, interfere with or cause or threaten to do bodily harm to any employee of the District while such employee is engaged in performing his duties in and on behalf of the District.

SECTION 4. No person shall expose or offer for sale any article or thing, nor shall any person station or place any stand, cart, or vehicle for the transportation, sale or display of any such article or thing in any Park, except a regularly licensed concessionaire or other person acting under an official permit of the Board; nor shall any person within any Park or on its borders announce, advertise, or call public attention in any way to any article, or service for sale or hire.

SECTION 5. No person shall paste, glue, tack or otherwise affix or post any sign, placard, advertisement, or inscription whatever, nor erect or cause to be erected any sign whatever on any structure or thing in a Park, except as authorized by the Board.

SECTION 6. No person shall bring or have in his possession, or set off or otherwise cause to explode or discharge any gun, B-B gun, air powered rifle, pistol, revolver, cracker, torpedo, rocket, squib, or other fireworks or explosives of inflammable materials, including any substance, compound, mixture, or article that in conjunction with any other substance or compound could cause injury to human or animal life, on any Park property or within the State of Illinois’ statutory safe zone surrounding said Park property and facilities. Rockets or fireworks are only permitted in Park District sponsored events unless written permission is received from the Board.

SECTION 7. No person shall light, build or attempt to light or build a fire in any Park except in such areas of a Park and under such regulations as may be designated by the Executive Director.

SECTION 8. No person shall throw any stone, brick, bottle or other missile not designed for recreational purposes and being used therefore in or upon any Park.

SECTION 9. No person shall bring, attempt to bring, carry or use in any way, any bow, arrow, paint gun, slingshot, crossbow, or any device considered hazardous by the Park District in any Park, unless in a directly supervised Park program.

SECTION 10. No person shall hit golf balls in a Park except in areas so designated.

SECTION 11. No person shall bring, carry or use in any Park any aerosol cans of paint, except in a directly supervised program or by a Park employee or contractor.

SECTION 12. No person shall deface, disfigure, break, cut, tamper with or displace or remove in or from any Park any building or part thereof, table, bench, fireplace, coping, lamp post, fence, wall, paving or paving material, water line or other public utility or parts or appurtenances thereof, or any sign, notice or placard whether temporary or permanent, equipment, facilities or other Park property or appurtenances whatsoever, either real or person.

SECTION 13. No person shall damage, cut, carve, uproot or injure any tree or injure the bark, or pick the flowers or seeds of any tree or plant in any Park; nor shall any person attach any rope, wire or other contrivance to any tree or plant, in any Park; nor shall any person in any other way injure or impair the beauty or usefulness of any Park.

SECTION 14. No person shall climb any tree nor climb, walk, stand or sit upon any wall, building, fountain, fence, railing in any Park nor upon other Park property not designed for such purpose.

SECTION 15. No person shall remove any soil, rock, stones, trees, shrubs, plants, timber or other wood or materials from any Park nor make any excavation by tool, equipment, blasting, or other means or agency within any Park, except as authorized by the Board.

SECTION 16. No person shall throw, discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any swimming pool, fountain, pond, lake, stream 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 or the hindrance of the use of said waters.

SECTION 17. No person shall bring in or dump, deposit or leave any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, fill, boxes, manure, cans, dirt, rubbish, waster, garbage or refuse, or other trash or litter in any Park except that the waste, or refuse from material consumed in a Park may be deposited in receptacles provided therefore.

SECTION 18. No person shall hunt, molest, harm, frighten, kill, trap, chase, tease, shoot or throw stones, rocks or other missiles at any animal, or bird in any Park, nor shall any person remove or have in his possession a bird or wild animal or the eggs or nest of any bird or wild animal in any Park, with the exception that fishing is permitted in designated areas.

SECTION 19. No person shall bring a dog or other domestic animal into any Park unless it is a dog aiding a person with a disability.

SECTION 20. No person shall bring, drive, use or ride in any Park a vehicle which has not been licensed by the State of Illinois, nor bring, drive, use or ride any vehicle prohibited from being brought, driven, ridden or used in any Park by the board.

SECTION 21. No person shall drive any vehicle in any Park, except upon paved roads, parking areas or other areas designated for such purposes, unless otherwise permitted by Park policy, the Americans with Disabilities Act or any other federal or state law, and only then in accordance with posted signs as to speed, direction, parking, stopping, land markings and traffic controls. All persons operating a Vehicle shall yield the right of way to pedestrians in a Park area or on any Park road, drive, or parking lot.

SECTION 22. No person shall park any Vehicle in any Park, driveway or parking area of a Park except during daylight hours, unless attending an authorized meeting or other activity in a park building nor shall any person leave any Vehicle anywhere in a Park more than 24 hours because of mechanical failure, nor shall any person fail to notify the village Police Department and obtain the services of a tow truck for any Vehicle that has failed to function within an hour of such failure.

SECTION 23. No person shall bring within, sell, or give away, or drink alcoholic beverages at any time in any Park, nor be under the influence of intoxicating liquor while in any Park unless authorized by a special Park District permit.

SECTION 24. No person shall enter into, loiter or remain in any toilet, restroom, bathhouse, pavilion or structure or section thereof, of any Park which has been reserved and designed by the Board for the use of the opposite sex.

SECTION 25. No person shall make, aid or countenance or assist in making any loud or raucous noise, riot or disturbance tending to a breach of the peace in any Park, nor collect, with other persons, in bodies or crowds for unlawful purposes. No person shall use abusive, insulting or obscene language or language calculated to occasion a breach of the peace, in any Park.

SECTION 26. No person shall beg or solicit any alms or any contributions in any Park. Nor shall any person solicit, collect any donations or charge any fees for any service, whether private or public, except fees as charged by the Park and approved by the Board, without first having obtained a written permit.

SECTION 27. No person shall construct or erect any building, tent or structure of whatever kind in any Park, whether permanent or temporary in character, or run or string any public service utility into, upon or across any Park, without first having obtained a written permit.

SECTION 28. No person shall place any private fence, drain line, structure or other encroachment on Park District property.

SECTION 29. No person shall establish a garden of any kind or plant any vegetation on Park District property without first obtaining a written permit. Any tree, shrub, groundcover, or wildflower will become the property of the Park District and cannot be removed.

SECTION 30. No person shall conduct any musical concert, play upon any electrically amplified instrument nor set up or use any communication system in a Park without first obtaining a written permit.

SECTION 31. No person shall hold or attempt to hold any meeting, assembly, demonstration, celebration, parade, rally, religious worship, or any sponsored entertainment, social, recreational, or athletic event without first obtaining a written permit.

SECTION 32. No person shall possess, manufacture, distribute, dispense, sell, or use illegal drugs, drug paraphernalia, unauthorized controlled substances and other intoxicants on Park District property or within the State of Illinois' statutory drug free zone surrounding said Park property and facilities.

SECTION 33. Smoking is prohibited in all Park District facilities.

SECTION 34. No persons shall sled in Park areas except where designated in Bicentennial Park, Arcadia Park, and Maynegate Park, and is subject to any rules and regulations at those specific designated Park sites.

SECTION 35. No person issued a permit by the Board shall fail to produce the permit and exhibit it upon request of a police officer.

SECTION 36. No person shall disturb or interfere with any person or party occupying any Park under the authority of a permit.

SECTION 37. It shall be unlawful for any parent or legal guardian of an unemancipated minor who resides with such parent or legal guardian to suffer such minor to commit an act of vandalism within the parks of the Olympia Fields Park District.

#### **11.160 Empowerment of Police**

Olympia Fields Police Department and all County or State law enforcement officers are authorized and empowered to enforce the Olympia Fields Park District's Ordinance #218-05 – "An Ordinance Defining Misdemeanors and Providing Penalties for Such Misdemeanors", and any amendments thereto.

#### **11.180 Misdemeanor Penalties**

Any person violating any clauses or provision of any section of this Policy (Ordinance #218-05) shall be fined not less than \$50 nor more than one thousand dollars for each offense upon conviction thereof.