

14.1.20 Protected Resources

(A) Wildlife.

- (1) All wildlife in a park is protected. A person may not harm, harass, hunt, trap, or remove an animal, including a mammal, fish, insect, bird, reptile, or other living creature from a park except with the written approval of the director.
- (2) This does not apply to fishing by a person in an area where fishing is allowed, if the person in compliance with state law requiring a fishing license.

(B) Plant and Fungal Life.

- (1) Plant and fungal life in a park is protected. A person may not intentionally injure, thrash, or remove any live plant or fungus, or a portion of a plant or fungus, except with the approval of the director.
- (2) A person may not collect or harvest dead wood or plants, or portions thereof, including mowing, clearing for wildfire mitigation, and invasive plant removal, except with the written approval of the director.
- (3) A person may collect fruits and nuts on the ground. Except in an area designated by PARD for the purpose, and clearly posted, a person may not pick fruits or nuts.
- (4) A person may not release or plant a plant or a fungal prologue, including a seed, cutting, or spore in a park except with the written approval of the director.

(C) Artifacts and Geological Resources.

- (1) Every site, object, building, artifact, implement, and location of historical, archaeological, geologic, scientific, or educational interest of every character located in, on, or under the surface of a park is protected.
- (2) A person may not remove, excavate, take, dig into, harm, or destroy any site, object, building, artifact, implement, or location of archaeological, geological, scientific or historical interest without having a permit required by the Texas Natural Resources Code, and without having the written permission of the director.
- (3) A person may not use a metal detector in a park without a permit.

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