

City of Sandy

Park Rules & Regulations

The following rules and regulations governing the use of the public parks in the city are adopted:

- *Rule 1.* No person shall dig up, cut, break, remove or deface any building, structure, sign, bush or plant belonging to or growing within a public park in the city without written permission from the city.
- *Rule 2.* No person shall have in his possession or discharge any destructive weapon, firearm, firecracker, torpedo or fireworks, or throw or place upon the ground any lighted match, cigar or any burning substance in any public park in the city.
- *Rule 3.* No person shall, within the limits of any public park within the city, threaten, harass or abuse another person or otherwise engage in any disorderly conduct.
- *Rule 4.* All public parks belonging to the city shall be open to the public at dawn and shall be closed and visitors excluded therefrom after dusk each day. Special exceptions can be made by the city.
- *Rule 5.* Use of motorized vehicles (exclusive of wheelchairs) is prohibited in city parks. Exceptions include special events for the purpose of loading and unloading, emergency vehicles and service vehicles used by the city.
- *Rule 6.* Horseback riding is prohibited in city parks unless otherwise posted.
- *Rule 7.* Dogs in city parks must be on leash unless otherwise posted.
- *Rule 8.* All persons using the park shall at all times obey all lawful orders of any police officer or lifeguard who may be stationed therein.
- *Rule 9.* The drinking or possession of intoxicating beverages is allowed only by OLCC permit, special events permit (including rental of facilities through the city) or other permitted activity. Permits issued allow only for the consumption and possession of beer and wine by adults 21 years or older. All sales of alcohol are prohibited unless authorized by OLCC permit. The city manager may impose such conditions upon such events, and require such financial security in connection therewith, so as to assure that such events are conducted in a safe manner and consistent with the use of parks by the public.
- All drinking of intoxicating beverages in the Sandy River Park is prohibited.
- *Rule 10.* All refuse, papers and rubbish shall be placed in refuse/recycling containers provided for that purpose, and everyone who uses park facilities shall keep them and the premises clean, so as to leave them in orderly condition for the next user.
- *Rule 11.* Use of bicycles, skates, skateboards and other non-motorized, wheeled vehicles is allowed in designated areas only. Use is not permitted on any brickwork, ornamental surface, picnic table, tennis court, basketball court, fountain area, wading pool, planter, or sculpture located on public grounds.

- *Rule 12.* Written permission by the city council is required for organized, promoted special events in city parks. Approval may include modifications to park rules.
- *Rule 13.* No person shall deposit into a public water feature bubbling agents or dyes, or any objects or substances that would harm or hinder its function or endanger public safety. Materials used in the course of maintenance or operations by city staff or contractors are accepted.
- *Rule 14.* No person shall hunt, pursue, trap, kill or disturb any animal, or its habitat.
- *Rule 15.* Any group desiring to reserve any portion of a public park for picnics or social functions shall make a written application therefore to the city manager at least one week prior to the event. An application fee may be required for certain parks and/or areas. The city manager may impose such conditions upon such events, and require such financial security in connection therewith, so as to assure that such events are conducted in a safe manner and consistent with the use of parks by the public.
- *Rule 16.* No person shall engage in, sponsor or conduct: fighting, boxing, wrestling or similar forms of mutual combat in a public park. However, boxing and wrestling matches and exhibitions that are regulated and licensed by the Oregon State Boxing and Wrestling Commission; or boxing and wrestling conducted by organizations identified in ORS 463.210 as exempt from the licensing and bonding provisions or ORS Chapter 463, may be held in public parks upon the approval of the city manager. The city manager may impose such conditions upon such events, and require such financial security in connection therewith, so as to assure that such events are conducted in a safe manner and consistent with the use of parks by the public.
- *Rule 17.* It is prohibited for any person to use tobacco, smoke or vape any substance within any City Park and designated open space. Areas include, but are not limited to, playgrounds, restrooms, spectator areas, picnic shelters, concession stands, parking lots, athletic fields, aquatic areas and trails.

(Ord. No. 9-77, § 1, 1977; Ord. No. 98-17, 1998; Ord. No. 2006-11; Ord. No. 2008-08, § 1, 2008; Ord. No. 09, 2016)