



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

***Park Hours:** 6:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.

***Trail Hours:** Open 24 hours per day

***Park Rest Rooms:** Open April 1 - October 31

***Reservation of Shelters:**

Shelters may be reserved the weekend closest to April 15 through the weekend closest to October 31. If not reserved, shelters are available on a first come, first-served basis.

***Damage to Property:**

Persons shall not in any manner mar, injure, deface, or destroy any tree, shrub, or plant standing or growing in the park, nor any fence, guide post, sign, table, bench, building, or any other thing of value in any public park, grounds, or place, nor shall they disturb or interfere with any wildlife within the parks.

***Alcoholic Beverages:**

No alcoholic beverages are allowed in any city park other than Starin Park. The City Clerk may issue permits allowing the consumption of alcoholic beverages in Cravath Lake Park, Trippe Lake Park, Starin Park Community Building and other municipal buildings as deemed appropriate. A permit may be granted by the Common Council pertaining to the consumption of alcoholic beverages in parks other than Starin Park, Cravath Lake Park and Trippe Lake Park.

***Glass Beverage Containers:**

All glass beverage containers are prohibited within the parks.

***Sale of Food and/or Merchandise:**

Food and/or merchandise shall not be sold in any city park except by concessions agreement or permit with the Whitewater Parks and Recreation Department. No concessions agreement or permit shall be issued that will conflict with existing concessions agreement or permit.

***Motorized Vehicles:**

It is unlawful for any person to operate a motorcycle, minibike, snowmobile, dune buggy, go cart, all-terrain vehicle or other recreational vehicle or motor vehicle in any park in the City of Whitewater. This section does not prohibit a person from legally operating a motor vehicle on public roads within parks; from parking on park property adjacent to public roads in the park; or from operating motorboats on lakes that are part of a park.

It is unlawful for any person to operate a bicycle within Indian Mounds Park.

Motorized vehicles are not allowed on city trails.

***Amplification of Sound:**

Use of amplification systems within the parks for the purpose of public entertainment must obtain a Public Entertainment permit through the City Clerk's office if said amplification system is not part of an authorized recreation program. It is the responsibility of the group using/reserving the facility/park to keep the noise level acceptable so as not to annoy or disturb the surrounding area of the park.

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***Fires:**

All fires must be contained within grills or designated cooking devices. Coals must be thoroughly extinguished and cooled prior to being placed in a trash receptacle.

***Animals:**

Any person owning, keeping, or in charge of any animal shall not permit such animal to be in Indian Mounds Park or the Municipal Building property in the city at any time. This will not be applicable in cases in which a person is being assisted by a service dog. Animals are permitted in all other municipal parks and open space. Owners are required to keep their pet on a leash and clean up after their animals and follow proper pet etiquette.

***Archery:**

Archery is prohibited in all parks except as part of an authorized recreation program.

***Golf:**

The use of golf equipment is prohibited in all parks.

***Slow-No-Wake Areas:**

Tripple and Cravath Lake are areas designated as slow-no-wake. This means that speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control. This is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interests.

***Fireworks:**

Fireworks are prohibited except for programs that have obtained the necessary City of Whitewater permits for such activity.

***Camping:**

Camping is prohibited in all parks except by special permit of the Common Council. Tents and Trailers are allowed by permission of the Parks and Recreation Director.

***Littering:**

No person shall place or leave any garbage, paper or refuse in any park, except in a park container or receptacle provided. No person shall bring garbage, paper or refuse from outside a park and deposit it in a park receptacle or container.

***Mechanical Rides/Dunk Tanks:**

Use of mechanical rides or dunk tanks within the parks must be approved with written permission from the Director of Parks and Recreation.

VIOLATION OF THE ABOVE RULES IN REGARDS TO POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL IN PARKS SHALL BE PUNISHABLE BY FORFEITURE OF NOT LESS THAN \$150 NOR MORE THAN \$300 FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE AND FOR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES, NOT LESS THAN \$200 NOR MORE THAN \$350 TOGETHER WITH THE COSTS OF PROSECUTION.

VIOLATION OF OTHER REGULATIONS IS PUNISHABLE BY FORFEITURE OF NOT LESS THAN \$50 NOR MORE THAN \$150 TOGETHER WITH THE COSTS OF PROSECUTION.

ANY VIOLATION MAY ALSO RESULT IN EXPULSION FROM ALL CITY PARKS FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO ONE YEAR.

IN ADDITION TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS LISTED ALL CITY, STATE, AND FEDERAL LAWS APPLY.