

Garden Grove Park Facilities Rules and Regulations

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Policy Statement

1. It is the policy of the City of Garden Grove to allow maximum public use of the City’s public park facilities subject to the rules and regulations contained herein. All persons using such public park facilities shall comply with the rules and regulations established. The Director or his/her Designee of Community Services shall be the City official primarily responsible for administering the use of said public park facilities and shall be responsible for enforcing the rules and regulations as well as posting on all public park facilities, rules and regulations contained herein.

2. The Director or his/her Designee of Community Services shall establish and amend from time to time, rules and regulations regarding the use of public park facilities with the City of Garden Grove. A violation of the rules shall constitute a misdemeanor.

B. Definition of Terms

1. The words “park” and “public park facilities” when used herein shall include all recreational land administered by the City of Garden Grove including buildings and improvements thereon, and include:

Atlantis Play Center	13630 Atlantis Way
Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center	12661 Sunswept Avenue
Chapman Sports Complex	11700 Knott Street
Civic Center	NE corner (Euclid/Acacia)
Eastgate Park	12001 St. Mark Street
Edgar School Park	12781 Topaz Street
Faylane Park	11700 Seacrest Drive
Garden Grove Park	9301 Westminster Avenue
Gutosky Park	9201 Ferris Lane
Hare School Park	12012 Magnolia Avenue
Harbor Triangle	NE corner (Harbor/Garden Grove)
Haster Basin	12952 Lampson Avenue
Jardin De Los Ninos	Keel and Buena Streets
Magnolia Park	11402 Magnolia Avenue
Medal of Honor Bike and Pedestrian Trail	Right-of-Way (Brookhurst to Nelson)
Morningside School Park	10521 Morningside
Pioneer Park	12722 Chapman Avenue
Spirit of '76 Mini Park	9999 Lampson Avenue
The Village Green (Euclid)	12732 Main Street
West Grove Park	5372 Cerulean Drive
West Haven Park	12252 West Street
Woodbury Park	13800 Rosita Place

2. The word “Director” when used herein shall mean the Director or his/her Designee of Community Services.

C. General Administration

1. Any activity held at a City facility will be conducted according to all applicable laws, rules and regulations, including fire and safety regulations and municipal code restrictions, and will conform to the written regulations of the city of Garden Grove and the Community Services Department as described in this document.
2. Any group or individual violating the regulations and conditions governing the use of the facilities shall be subject to the immediate revocation of facility use privileges and all fees previously paid will be retained by the City.
3. Groups or individuals using a facility are responsible to pay for any damage to or loss of City property connected with such use.
4. When groups, organizations or individuals desire to use the facility on an ongoing basis, such as shall be subject to Department approval and will be handled through a separate facility use agreement.
5. Proposed use of facilities or events shall not interfere with the public enjoyment of the park; detract from the health, safety, moral welfare or recreation of the general public; cause unusual or extraordinary expense to the City; nor draw crowds in excess of the capacity of the facility.

D. Park Hours

1. No person shall enter or remain upon any park between the hours of 11 pm and 6 am without first obtaining a written permit from the Director or his/her Designee of Community Services.

II. RULES AND REGULATIONS

Persons and/or organizations found in violation of any of the rules listed herein shall be guilty of disorderly conduct and shall be ejected from the park where the violation occurred and/or all parks within the City of Garden Grove for a period of time and may be subject to misdemeanor charges. The period of time in which a person is prohibited from returning to the park shall be determined based upon the discretion of the enforcing official of a period between one day and ninety days, subject to confirmation and/or modification by the City’s Community Services Department. The enforcing official shall make this determination based upon the

severity of the rule violation combined with the likelihood that the violation will reoccur.

A. Closed Park Areas

1. When necessary for the protection of the public interest, health or welfare, the Director or his/her Designee of Community Services shall have the authority to close from public access or use, any public park or portion thereof on a temporary basis. No person shall enter or remain upon areas posted as closed.
2. The Director or his/her Designee of Community Services may issue permits allowing use by one or more groups to the exclusion of others in connection with planned programs and recreational activities. No persons other than those covered by the permit shall not enter or remain on park areas during the period covered by the permit.

B. Prohibited Activities and Uses

1. All persons using City administered park lands shall comply with the rules and regulations. No person shall conduct perform or participate in any of the following activities on any park property without first obtaining a written permit from the Director or his/her Designee of Community Services.
 - a. Golf – play or practice.
 - b. Archery – play or practice.
 - c. Operating self-powered models or crafts of any kind.
 - d. Operating drones of any kind.
 - e. Lighting or maintaining any fire except in a stove, barbecue grill portable stove or barbecue grill for the cooking of food, unless approved by the Director or his/her Designee.
 - f. Skateboarding, except in designated Skate Spot.
 - g. Wading, bathing, swimming, and launching any type of boat, raft, air mattress, surfboard or entering or on any lake, stream, or pond found in any City park.
 - h. Carrying, transporting, possessing, discharging, firing, or shooting over, onto or through any park any firearm, air gun, bb gun, spring gun, slingshot, bow and arrow, crossbow, spear, fireworks, firecracker, rocket, explosive of any kind or any form of weapon potentially dangerous to human beings or wildlife.

- i. Boxing, prizefighting, wrestling, martial arts or the promotion thereof.
- j. Fishing in any lake, stream, or pond found in any City park.
- k. Erecting any barrier whether string, wire, rope or chain, or placing any obstruction of any kind across any path, trail or other area accessible to the public.
- l. Musical concerts - play or practice, unless approved by the Director or his/her Designee.
- m. Engaging in any other activity which endangers the health and/or safety of the public.

C. Disorderly conduct

- 1. No persons shall carry on any activity constituting disorderly conduct on any park property as such disorderly conduct is designated under the provisions of Garden Grove Municipal Code section 8.12 et seq.
- 2. The words “disorderly conduct” shall include but is not limited to any of the following conduct in any park:
 - a. Throwing or causing to be launched stones or any other projectile.
 - b. Firing or carrying fireworks of any kind including “safe and sane fireworks.”
 - c. Conducting or calls to conduct any business or perform any labor including but not limited to the wholesale or retail provision or distribution of goods, commodities or services.
 - d. Climbing any wall, fence, shelter, seat, building, structure, trees, shrubs, device or other equipment, except play equipment designated by the Director or his/her Designee.
 - e. Bringing, landing or causing to descend or alight any aircraft, balloon, parachute or other instrumentality, machine or apparatus for aviation or flight, except as permitted by the Director or his/her Designee pursuant to this Title.
 - f. Damaging, defacing, altering, injuring, or destroying any tree, wood, bush, turf, flower, plant, grass, soil, rock or any similar thing or part thereof in any park or any building or structure within any park.

- g. Damaging, defacing, altering, injuring, destroying, or making, cutting, painting a pond, or otherwise mooring or mutilating, or removing any equipment, pathway, facility, building or structure or part thereof within any park.
- h. Placing, piling, depositing, leaving or causing to be deposited any material, soil, solid waste, or any other thing upon any park, building or structure, except as permitted by the Director or his/her Designee or in an area or receptacle designated by the Department.
- i. Polluting the waters of any fountain, lake, and marsh or fish pond in any park.

D. Designated Sporting Areas

- 1. All sports having designated areas shall be conducted only at such locations. Areas designated for one sport activity shall not be used for another sporting activity without first obtaining written consent from the Director or his/her Designee.

E. Litter/Rubbish to be put into Receptacles

- 1. No person shall throw, cast, deposit, dump, transport from outside a City park, or cars to be thrown, placed, cast deposited or dumped any ashes, refuse, offal, vegetables, garbage, dross, cinders, shells, straw, shavings, paper, scraps or dirt, or dead animals, fish, fowl, bird or reptile, glass, crockery, bones, tin cans or like matter, empty box, carton, wastepaper, remains of food, newspaper, filth or rubbish of any kind in any park, square, avenue, grounds, lake or recreation center, except to the place the same in cans or receptacles provided for such matter.

F. Bicycles

- 1. No one shall ride a bicycle or e-bike on any park property other than the roads or paths designated for said use.
- 2. Where available, bike racks shall be used for the parking of bicycles.

G. Vehicles

- 1. No person shall ride, drive or cause to be operated, driven or propelled any automobile, truck, golf cart, dune buggy, motorcycle, motor scooter, motor bike, bicycle, or any other type of vehicle, including but not limited to remote control vehicles, devices or toys, within any park and building or structure thereon, except upon roads, driveways, paths and highways provided and designated by the Department for such use and in compliance with the rules, policies and regulations established by the Department for such use.

2. No person shall park any automobile or other vehicle identified in this section on any lawn or planted section in any park, or in any pedestrian lane therein, or any other place where the rules and regulations of the Department prohibit vehicular parking.
3. No person shall park or cause to be parked any automobile or other vehicle in any road, driveway, path, highway in any park, except on the extreme right side of said road, driveway, path, or highway and immediately adjacent to the planted portion of the park, and building or structure; provided, however the Department shall have full power and authority to set aside suitable space for the parking of any automobile or other vehicles off any road, driveway, path or highway. The extreme right side of the said road, driveway, path or highway shall be deemed the right-hand side of any road, place or highway as measured or applied in the direction in which any vehicle is traveling.
4. It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle to stop or park the same at any place within the boundaries of any park, during the hours between 11 PM and 6 AM, except when attending some special event authorized to be conducted within the park during the said hours by the Director or his/her Designee, and then only one such person stops or parks the vehicle at any area specifically designed for such stopping or parking in connection with such a special event with a permit from the Director or his/her Designee. Vehicles left unattended between those hours or in designated areas may be towed away and stored by the City and the removal and storage costs shall be charged to and paid by the owner prior to release.
5. No person shall wash, polish, grease or repair any automobile or other vehicle in any park, except insofar as repairs may be necessary for the immediate removal of any damage or disabled automobile or other vehicle from such park.
6. The transportation of any solid waste into, upon, through or within any park is prohibited, except those persons authorized to remove solid waste and litter from any park by the Department.
7. No person shall solicit, arrange, contract or make any agreement or establish or maintain any stand or other equipment, for procuring passengers for any carriage, coach, motor wagon, automobile, auto bus, auto stage or other vehicle, let or used for hire, in any part, without first having obtain a permit to do so from the Director or his/her Designee.
8. No person shall operate any wheeled conveyance of any type in any park at a speed in excess of 10 mph unless a greater speed is posted. The maximum speed limit when pedestrians is present shall be 5 miles per hour.
9. No person shall park, cause to be parked, or remain inside of any oversized vehicle within any City Park without first having obtained a

permit to do so from the Director or his/her Designee. For the purposes of these rules an oversized vehicle is any vehicle, motorized or nonmotorized that exceeds twenty feet (20') in length or eighty inches (80") in width. Notwithstanding the length and width requirements for an oversized vehicle, the following vehicles shall also be considered oversized vehicles for the purpose of these rules; (1) Buses as defined in the California Vehicle Code; (2) Trailers, including boat trailers, and semitrailers, as defined in the California Vehicle Code, and standalone boats not connected to trailers; and (3) Recreational vehicles as defined by Garden Grove Municipal Code Section 10.56.115.

H. Publication and Signs

1. No person or business shall basically post, or append by any means whatsoever, written material, pictures, or placard to any public property or post thereon, including buildings, trees or fences, without first receiving the written consent of the Director or his/her Designee. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the carrying out of lawful activities relating to constitutionally guaranteed rights.
2. Unless a permit is obtained from the Director or his/her Designee, no person shall distribute, caused to be destroyed, allow or permit distribution of any handbill, circular, booklet, card, pamphlet, sheet or written or printed notice advertising any commodity, article, merchandise, business activity, person or thing in or upon any park.
3. No person shall fail or refuse to obey or comply with any notice or sign, including warning, regulatory and road markings, placed by order of the Director or his/her Designee for the safety or control of person, vehicles or animals. No person shall refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction given by a department employee.

I. Animal Prohibitions

1. No person shall permit or allow any animal on or upon any park property except domestic dogs or cats on leashes of six (6) feet or less and in the immediate possession of their owner. No other animals shall be allowed on park property except under permit from the Director or his/her Designee.
 - a. Per Garden Grove Municipal Code 6.04.080, dogs are not permitted on any public school property. Exceptions are guide dog, signal or service dog for disabled patrons.
2. Owners and persons in possession of animals, otherwise lawfully permitted on park property shall be responsible for removing all droppings of sad animals.

3. No person owning or having charge of any animal shall permit, allow or suffer at such animal to enter upon or remain within any park area reserved for children or any sports play field or enter any sandbox or play apparatus area.
4. No person shall let loose or permit to run, or swim, at large any animal, reptile, bird or fish of any kind upon any park and building or structure thereon, except as permitted by the Director or his/her Designee.
5. Leading, driving, enticing, conducting or otherwise bringing or causing to bring any horse, mule, ass, cattle, goats, sheep, swine or other similar livestock animal upon any park and or building or structure there on is prohibited, except as permitted by the Director or his/her Designee.
6. No person shall feed any bird, animal, reptile, or fish found upon any park, except as permitted by Director.

J. Group Regulation

1. No person shall organize or participate in groups or gatherings of 50 individuals or more, which monopolize specific areas of Park property, without first having obtained a permit from the Director or his/her Designee. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the curing out of lawful activities relating to constitutionally guaranteed rights.

K. Damage to Park Property

1. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the normal use of park property by walking on planted turf or grassy areas open to the public.
2. No person shall place salt, oil or any other substance injuries to plant growth upon any public thoroughfare, park or public place in such manner as to injure any tree or shrub growing there on in violation of Garden Grove Municipal Code Section 11.32.040.
3. No person shall violate the provisions of Garden Grove Municipal Code Section 11.32.020 regarding park property.

L. Alcoholic Beverages: Intoxication

1. No person shall sell, offer for sale, purchase, giveaway, transport, deliver, consume or have in his possession any intoxicating liquor within the boundaries of any public park located within the City.
 - a. This subsection shall not be construed to prohibit the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons at the Atlantis Play Center, Village Green or City-sponsored special events when the appropriate fee

has been paid to and a written permit secured from the Community Services Department and any governing agency such as Alcohol Beverage Control, as applicable, provided further that the City of Garden Grove should be exempt from said fee and permit requirements.

2. No person shall enter or remain upon any public park located within the City while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, any drug, and toluene, any substance defined as a poison of schedule D of section 4160 of the California Business and Professions Code, or any combination of these items.
3. As used in this Rule, “liquor” and “intoxicating liquor” shall be construed to be include any and all spirits, vinous, malt or fermented liquors, liquids or compounds, whether medicated, proprietary, patented or not, and by whatever name called, containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, which are potable or fit for use, as or which may be used for beverage purposes.

M. Weapons

1. No person shall sell, offer for sale, give away, transport, deliver, carry or wear on his person, whether contained in a sheath or holster or not, any dangerous or deadly weapon as defined in section 8.32.010 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code, including folding hunting knives, any pistol or revolver as defined in section 12001 of the California Penal Code, or any other weapon, instrument, device or explosive mentioned or described in section 12020 of the California Penal Code.

N. Erecting Obstructions Prohibited

1. No person shall build, construct, direct, put up, and fleet, or maintain any building, structure, fence, wall, monument, dome, or other thing in or upon any Park, any buildings or structures there on without first having obtained from the Director or his/her Designee a permit to do so, and any such a building, structure, fence, while, monument, dome or other such thing shall not present, hinder or impair the full and free used and enjoyment by the public of such park and buildings or structures they are on for park purposes.

O. Warning Devices at Danger Points

1. Any person by whom or under whose direction or authority, either as principal, contractor or employer, any park or portion thereof, or any building or structure thereon, is made dangerous, shall erect and maintain, so long as the dangerous condition continues, a barrier around such danger between dusk and dawn each day, as well as any barricades, traffic or warning devices as may be required by the Director or his/her Designee or the City’s Engineer.

P. Vending Machines

1. No person shall bring a vending machine or cost to be brought for the purpose of sale or barter, or have for sale, or sell or exchange, or offer for sale or exchange, any goods, wares, merchandise or other things in any park, and building or structure thereon without first having obtained a permit from the Director or his/her Designee.

Q. Camping Prohibited

1. Purpose

- a. The public areas within the City should be readily accessible and available to resident in the public at large. They use of these areas for camping purposes or for storage of personal property interferes with the rights of others to use the areas for which they were intended. The purpose of this Article to maintain areas within the City in a clean and accessible condition.

2. Definitions

- a. *Camp* means to pitch or occupy camp facilities; to use camp paraphernalia.
- b. *Camp Facilities* include but are not limited to tents, huts or temporary shelters.
- c. *Camp Paraphernalia* includes but is not limited to tarpaulins, carts, beds, sleeping bags, hammocks or non-city designated cooking facilities and similar equipment.
- d. *Park* shall include all public owned or leased property, grounds, ponds, lakes, streams, marshes, roadways, venues, bike paths, parks, buildings, school facilities when they are in use as recreational or community center facilities and when they are under the control of the Director or his/her Designee and the areas under the control, management or direction of the Director or his/her Designee.
- e. *Store* means to put aside or accumulate for use when needed, to put for safekeeping, to place or leave in a location.

3. Unlawful Camping

- a. It shall be unlawful for any person to camp, occupy facilities or use camp paraphernalia in any of the following areas, except as otherwise provided; or as permitted by the Director or his/her Designee.
 - 1) Any park parking lot or public area, improved or unimproved;
 - 2) Any park.

2. Storage of personal property in Public Places

a. It shall be unlawful for any person to store personal property, including camp facilities and camp paraphernalia, in the following areas, except his other ways to write divided by written approval of the Director or his/her Designee;

1) Any park;

2) Any park parking lot or public area, improved or an improved.

R. Public Toilets

1. No person shall fail to cooperate in maintaining public toilets in a neat and sanitary condition nor shall any person loiter in or about any public toilet or any enter any public toilet designated for the opposite sex except that this provision shall not apply to persons under five years of age that are accompanied by a parent or guardian.

S. Boisterous Conduct

1. No person shall maliciously or willfully disturb the peace and quiet of a park or of any person therein, by loud or unusual noises, or by indulging in a riotous, boisterous, threatening, indecent or offensive conduct, or by using abusive, profane, indecent or vulgar language. No person shall within any park, disturb in any manner any picnic, meeting, services, concert, exercise or exhibition.

T. Sound-Amplifying Systems

1. No person shall play or utilize within any park any sound amplifying system unless written approval from the Director or his/her Designee is obtain beforehand.

U. Vending and Peddling

1. No person shall expose or offer for sale any article, food, merchandise or thing, per Garden Grove Municipal Code 8.48.050, nor shall he/she station or place any stand, cart or vehicle for the transportation, sale or display of any such article, food, merchandise or thing except by written permission from the Director or his/her Designee.

2. No person shall give, set up or obtain any exhibition, show, performance, concert, lecture, entertainment or similar activity without written permission to do so from the Director or his/her Designee.

3. No person shall for a fee offer sports camps, sports lessons, fitness boot camps or classes, dance classes or similar activity on property without the written permission of the Director or his/her Designee.

V. Tobacco

1. California law prohibits smoking and vaping tobacco products within 25 feet of a playground or tot lot sandbox area.