CITY OF FORT COLLINS
PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

Summary of Laws, Rules, and Regulations for use of Parks, Trails, and Facilities Located Therein, Whether Inside or Outside City Limits

A. The following activities are prohibited in or on City parks and trails by Section 23-203(a) of the City Code:

**Alcoholic Beverages:** Possession or consumption, whether open or closed, except where allowed by a special event permit.

**Animals/Birds:** Violating any provision of Chapter 4 of the City Code, including but not limited to: license required (Code § 4-31); rabies vaccination required (§ 4-51); removal of animal waste required (§ 4-71); animals at large prohibited (§ 4-93); disturbance of peace and quiet prohibited (§ 4-94); public nuisance prohibited (§ 4-95); trapping restricted (§ 4-120); Fort Collins is a wild bird sanctuary/refuge and all wild birds are protected (§ 4-156); killing or capturing wild birds is unlawful (§ 4-157).

**Ashes:** Scattering cremated remains of any human or animal.

**Bathing:** Bathing or washing persons or objects.

**Fires:** Violating any provision of Chapter 9 of the City Code. Lighting a campfire, bonfire or other fire except for fires in grills provided by the City or fires in portable grills or stoves on tables provided by the City, or as authorized by a permit. Burning of refuse or rubbish is prohibited. No fire shall be left unattended.

**Fishing Without a Valid License.**

**Glass Bottles/Containers:** Bringing in or possessing.

**Golf Balls:** driving, hitting, or throwing golf balls

**Miscellaneous Offenses:** violating any provision of Chapter 17 of the City Code, including but not limited to: trespass (Code § 17-40); littering (§ 17-41); discharge of weapons (§ 17-101); depositing bodily waste (§ 17-103); disturbing the peace (§ 17-121) disorderly conduct (§ 124); harassment (§ 126); and nudity (§ 17-142);

**Special Events:** Violating any provision of Chapter 23.5 of the City Code regarding special events, including but not limited to holding a special event without a permit (Code § 23.5-3)

**Trash:** Discarding or releasing any waste or hazardous substance except for trash generated from activities in the park, which must be disposed of in marked trash receptacles. Tampering with trash containers is prohibited (Code § 12-20)

**Vandalism/Tampering:** Removing, destroying, mutilating, modifying or defacing any City property.

**Vehicles:** Operating or parking a motor vehicle other than on established roadways or in designated parking areas, or violating any provision of the Fort Collins Traffic Code

**Wildlife:** Harassing or permitting the harassment of wildlife.

B. The following activities are prohibited in or on City parks and trails by Section 23-203(b) of the City Code unless a sign has been posted permitting such use:

**Horses:** Riding or having a horse more than ten (10) feet from a designated trail or roadway, or on any irrigated turf grass.

**Ice:** Walking, skating, or otherwise entering on the ice on any waters.

**Motorized Models and Rockets:** Operating a motorized model boat, car, truck, aircraft or other motorized model vehicle or launching a model rocket in, onto or over a park or trail.

**Skating and Skateboarding:** Skateboarding or in-line skating, except on a sidewalk, roadway, parking area or designated trail.

**Swimming:** Swimming or wading in the water.

C. The following activities are prohibited in or on City parks and trails by Section 23-203(d) of the City Code unless authorized by a permit issued by the Parks Department:

**Boats:** Operating a motorized boat.

**Camping.**

**Collecting or Removing Materials:** Collecting seeds, cuttings or plants or removing archaeological, geological or paleontological materials.

**Commercial Activities:** Performing a service for commercial gain or selling or offering to sell any item for commercial gain.

**Constructing a structure.**

**Depositing Rocks, Wood or Dirt.**

**Feeding Wildlife:** Feeding songbirds, squirrels, ducks, geese or any other wildlife species.

**Group Events:** Conducting or sponsoring an event expected to include 100 or more people or requiring a Special Events Permit.

**Hours of Usage:** Entering a park during the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. (specific hours for use of various park facilities such as ballfields, tennis courts, etc. will be effective upon conspicuous posting.)

**Planting:** Planting trees, shrubs, grasses, flowers or other plants.

**Posting Notices:** Posting a notice or sign, including fastening, displaying or depositing cards, posters or other written materials or erecting a display.

D. In addition, no person shall engage in any activity when a sign has been posted by the Parks Department stating that such activity is not allowed in that area. (Code § 23-203(c))

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User Guidelines for Shelter Reservations

The following information is provided to assist you in enjoying the park and shelter.

1. Bring your **reservation paperwork** with you to the shelter on the day of your event so you will have documentation in case of conflicts. Only one group is scheduled per day per shelter. Each shelter is available for drop-in use outside the specific hours it is reserved.

2. Please use caution when using the **outlets** in the shelters. Overloading the outlets with coffee makers, crock pots, etc., will trip the circuit breakers.

3. City Park #7 shelter and Fossil Creek Lake Pavilion have **water** spigots. Arrangements must be made in advance to use the City Park #7 shelter spigot. The Fossil Creek Lake Pavilion’s spigot is on the west outside wall of the restrooms. It is a push button spigot with an automatic shut-off.

4. **Restrooms** near each of the three reservable shelters are as follows:
   - Rolland Moore Park Shelter #2 – The closest restroom is east of the shelter by the playground. Other restrooms are located by the tennis complex and in the middle of the ballfield complex.
   - City Park Shelter #7 – North of the shelter by the ballfield complex and east of the shelter by the playground.
   - Edora Park Shelter #1 – East of the shelter and parking lot, by the ballfields.
   - Fossil Creek Lake Pavilion – In the shelter area, on the west end of the shelter.
   - Spring Canyon Shelter – Directly North of the shelter.

5. The maximum recommended **capacity** of City Park, Edora, and Rolland Moore reservable shelters is 80 average people sitting, and maximum 200 people buffet style. At Fossil Creek Lake Pavilion and Spring Canyon Shelter, the recommended capacity is 100-120 people sitting and maximum 200 people buffet style. *(Spring Canyon Shelter is in the process of getting more picnic tables.)*

6. **Parking** for each of the reservable shelters is as follows:
   - Rolland Moore Park Shelter #2 – Parking lots are located near the tennis complex, the playground, and along the road within the park. Maximum parking available is 102 regular spaces and 5 handicapped spaces. These spaces are shared with the tennis court users and playground users.
   - City Park Shelter #7 – On both sides of Bryan Avenue, along the creek and along the fenced area. Maximum parking available is 50 spaces.
   - Edora Park Shelter #1 – Parking lot located on the west side of the ballfields and along the park road. Maximum parking available is 104 regular spaces and 4 handicapped spaces.
   - Fossil Creek Lake Pavilion – The parking is on the west end of the park, the entrance is off of Fossil Creek Parkway. Maximum parking available is 150 regular spaces and 6 handicapped spaces.
   - Spring Canyon Shelter-North – Easiest parking is available coming into the Park from Overland Trail, and walking across a handiccap-accessible footbridge to the Shelter. Handicap parking is also available.

7. **Parking or driving on turf (grassy) areas and sidewalks is strictly prohibited.** Any violations will result in police ticketing. Please be courteous and avoid parking or driving on any turf areas. If you need to load or unload meal items, contact our office to receive proper instructions.

8. Any **structures** that you bring in, such as dunk-tanks, jumping castles, volleyball nets, wedding arches, etc., must be listed on your original reservation form. Line locates are required for these items.

9. If your event requires a **Line Locate**, please be sure to call the Parks Division office one week before the event to make arrangements. A Line Locate is required if you are placing stakes in the ground longer than the standard 6 inches, as some of our sprinkler lines could be damaged. Parks office staff will determine if a line locate is required.