

**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** : Possess or consume any alcoholic beverage, open or unopened, except where allowed by a special event permit issued by the City's Liquor Licensing Authority. [NOTE: by City policy such permits are issued only for Civic Center park, Oak Street Plaza park or Legacy park, unless the CS director permits otherwise.]

**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); open consumption of marijuana (17-191); and transfer or display of marijuana (17-192).

**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**: Operating a motorized model boat, car, truck, aircraft or other motorized model vehicle 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.)

**Model Rocket**: Launch a model rocket in, onto or over a recreation area.

**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))***