

TOWN OF EAST LONGMEADOW PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Board of Public Works, pursuant to the G.L. ch. 41, §69D and the East Longmeadow By-Laws hereby makes and publishes the following rules for the use of all parks.

IT IS FORBIDDEN FOR THE PUBLIC IN ALL PARKS:

- 1) To damage, injure, deface, or destroy any property, including but not limited to any tree, shrub, plant, rock, building, cage, pen, monument, lawn, fence, bench, or artifact.
- 2) To litter, deposit trash or debris or any other materials, except within containers provided therefore.
- 3) To deposit or dispose of any household or commercial refuse of any sort.
- 4) To post or display signs, placards or any other advertising devices.
- 5) To solicit contributions.
- 6) To remove any bench or any other municipal property from the premises.
- 7) To possess or consume alcoholic beverages.
- 8) To operate or drive any motor vehicle (including, but not limited to: automobile, truck, motorcycle, motorbike, mini-bike, snowmobile, ATV, go-cart, 4-wheel drive vehicle) upon any part of the park or parkway except paved roads, and designated parking areas.
- 9) To operate an unregistered motor vehicle of any type.
- 10) To start fires, except in charcoal or propane gas cooking devices approved by the Board of Public Works or its designee. In times of dry weather, a total ban on the use of fire shall be indicated by the posting of notices at appropriate locations.
- 11) To allow a dog in any park unless the person having control of a dog, has it on a leash. No person shall allow his or her dog on play areas, playfields, tennis courts, swimming pools, wading pools or any structure under any circumstances. All persons in control of a dog are responsible for removal of dog feces.
- 12) To fish or hunt on any park property, except at such places and times as shall be authorized by the laws of the Commonwealth and the Director of the Board of Public Works, and then only if duly licensed.
- 13) To be present in a motor vehicle unless otherwise posted between dusk and dawn. Such vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense. Dawn begins one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise. Dusk ends one-half (1/2) hour after sunset.
- 14) To hit golf balls.

- 15) To operate commercial vehicles for the purpose of sale or distribution of food and/or any non-food items in any parks, except as authorized by permit issued by the Board of Public Works or its designee.
- 16) To operate a motor vehicle in excess of 15 mph on any park road and parking area.
- 17) To repair, wash, clean or polish any motor vehicle.
- 18) To operate any boat, canoe, raft or other watercraft.
- 19) To ice skate at any time other than times established by the Board of Public Works or its designee.
- 20) No car radio, musical instrument, radio, tape player or other sound amplification device shall be operated in a manner that significantly interferes with the use or enjoyment of the park by other members of the public.
- 21) To erect or maintain a tent, shelter, camp, lodge or other structure in any park without the prior written consent of the Board of Public Works or its designee.
- 22) To play any game or sport, whether organized or informal, on any park land specifically designated or designed for another use if that use will cause damage to the land or interfere with any activity in progress or one that has been scheduled.
- 23) To disobey any legal request or order of the Police, or any agent or employee of the Town of East Longmeadow.
- 24) To use or possess a firearm, explosive device, bow and arrow, blowgun, sling shot, B.B. gun, paintball gun, pellet gun, spear or trap or any other such device.

The Board of Public Works or its designee after request for a waiver of any of the above rules and regulations, may grant said request where the health, safety and welfare of the public or intended purpose of the operation of park is found not to be adversely affected.

Any person violating any of the above rules and regulations shall, in addition to any other civil or criminal penalty, be subjected to a fine of \$25.00 for first offense, \$50.00 for the second, \$100.00 for third and subsequent offenses. Violators may also be prohibited by the Board of Public Works from future use of the parks.

Persons using these premises and properties do so at their own risk.

The rules and Regulations may be enforced by means of a non-criminal ticketing procedure as set forth in the Town By-Law adopted pursuant to G.L. ch. 40, §21D.

The Board of Public Works may amend these rules and regulations, as it deems appropriate.

These rules and any amendments shall take effect upon approval by the Board of Public Works and publication in the East Longmeadow Reminder.