

Ord 6-79-07 ~~1979~~ 1979  
ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF CITY PARKS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Board of the Town of Georgetown, Indiana, that:

1. Requirements concerning use of grounds and facilities.

Each person, firm or corporation using the public parks and grounds shall clean up all debris, extinguish all fires when such fires are permitted, and leave the premises in good order, and the facilities in a neat and sanitary condition.

2. Prohibited acts.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation using such parks to either perform or permit to be performed any of the following acts;

(a) Wilfully mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with, or displace or remove, any building, bridges, tables, benches, fireplaces, railings, paving or paving material, waterlines or other public utilities or parts or appurtenances thereof, signs, notices or placards whether temporary or permanent, monuments, stakes, posts, or other boundary markers, or other structures or equipment, facilities or park property or appurtenances whatsoever, either real or personal.

(b) Throw, discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any fountain, pond, lake, stream, bay or other body of water in or adjacent to any park or any tributary, stream, storm sewer, or drain flowing into such waters, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will or may result in the pollution of said waters.

(c) Bring in or dump, deposit or leave any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, boxes, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage or refuse; or other trash. No such refuse or trash shall be placed in any waters in or contiguous to any park, or left anywhere on the grounds thereof, but shall be placed in the proper receptacles where these are provided; where receptacles are not so provided, all such rubbish or waste shall be carried away from the park by the person responsible for its presence, and properly disposed of elsewhere.

(d) Disturb the peace, or use any profane, obscene or blasphemous language.

(e) Endanger the safety of any person by any conduct or act.

(f) Commit any assault, battery, or engage in fighting.

(g) Carry, possess, or drink any alcoholic beverage in any park.

(h) Violate any rules for the use of the park, including closing hours as posted in said park, said rules being made or approved by the Georgetown Parks and Recreation Board. Said parks shall be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. except in the event of a special activity.

(i) Prevent any person from using any park, or any of its facilities, or interfere with such use in compliance with this ordinance and the rules applicable to such use.

(j) Swim, bathe, or wade in any waters or waterways in or adjacent to any park, except in such waters and at such places as are provided therefor, and in compliance with such regulations as are herein set forth or may be hereafter adopted.

3. Picnic areas and use.

No person in a park shall picnic or lunch in a place other than those designated for that purpose. Attendants shall have the authority to regulate the activities in such areas when necessary to prevent congestion and to secure the maximum use for the comfort and convenience of all. Visitors shall comply with any directions given to achieve this end.

No person in a park shall use any portion of the picnic areas or of any of the buildings or structures therein for the purpose of holding picnics to the exclusion of other persons except by reservation permit available from the Parks and Recreation Board, nor shall any person use such area and facilities for an unreasonable time if the facilities are crowded.

4. Other regulations.

(a) Special activities: It shall be unlawful to fly model airplanes in the parks. It shall be unlawful to engage in special activities including golf practice, ice skating, games and picnics except at locations specifically designated for such activities by the Park and Recreation Board. Areas for such activities may be reserved by groups for use at specified times.

(b) Automobiles.

It shall be unlawful to drive or park any automobile or motor vehicle of any type, except on a street, driveway or parking lot in any park; or to park or leave any such vehicle in any place other than a one established for public parking. All vehicles shall observe a 5 mile per hour speed limit.

(c) Animals.

It shall be unlawful to bring any dangerous animal into any park, and it shall be unlawful to permit any dog to run at large.

It shall be unlawful to ride a horse in any park except on or immediately alongside of existing roadways in said park.

It shall be unlawful to hunt or molest wildlife in any park.

(d) Sales. It shall be unlawful, for any person other than employees or officials of the Georgetown Parks and Recreation Board or individuals acting on behalf of said Georgetown Parks and Recreation Board to vend, sell, peddle or offer for sale any commodity or article within the park, except by permission of the Parks and Recreation Board.

(e) Signs. It shall be unlawful for anyone to paste, glue, tack or otherwise post any sign, placard, advertisement, or inscription whatever, nor shall any person erect or cause to be erected any sign whatever on any public lands or highways of roads adjacent to a park.

Provided that these provisions shall not apply to any properly authorized government official in pursuit of any official duty.

5. Penalty.

Whoever violates any provisions of this ordinance shall be fined not less than \$10.00 or more than \$100.00 to which may be added not more than thirty (30) days in prison.

6. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from its passage at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Georgetown, Indiana.

Passed this 11 day of June, 1979.

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Kenneth Lons, President

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