

# CHAPTER 13

## PARKS and RECREATION

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11 **13.01 ESTABLISHMENT OF TOWN PARKS.**

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- 13 (1) A Town park may be established provided the following:
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- 15 (a) The Town Board has received recommendation with respect to the proposed park and
- 16 its uses by the Park and Recreation Committee.
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- 18 (b) A budget has been approved and funds have been authorized and set aside by the
- 19 Town Board upon recommendation from the Park and Recreation Committee.
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- 21 (c) A Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) has been completed in accordance with the
- 22 applicable Comprehensive Park and Recreation Plan.
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- 24 (2) All Town parks shall have a sign of shape and color as directed by the Town Board with
- 25 language to indicate the park name, address, use and restrictions.
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- 27 (3) All the parks shall be shown on the Town’s Park Map.
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- 29 (4) For purpose of this subsection a “park” is a tract of land owned by the Town developed
- 30 for recreation and/or its preservation.
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32 **13.02 PERMITTED ACTIVITIES.**

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- 34 (1) The Park and Recreation Committee shall advise the Town Board as to its
- 35 recommendations for the type and scope of recreational activities which may be
- 36 permitted in Town parks.
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38 **13.03 PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES**

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- 40 (1) The following uses are prohibited in Town parks:
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- 42 (a) Unauthorized improvements. All buildings, structures or improvements must first be
- 43 approved by the Town Board upon recommendation of the Park and Recreation
- 44 Committee and for purposes associated with the use or maintenance of the park.
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- 46 (b) Unauthorized removal of vegetation. No person shall remove, damage, or disturb any
- 47 vegetation, except for the removal of recognized exotic and invasive species in
- 48 accordance with the park management plan by the order of the Town Board upon
- 49 recommendation of the Park and Recreation Committee.
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- 51 (c) Unauthorized removal of trees. No person shall remove, damage, or distribute trees,
- 52 except for invasive species, dead, or diseased trees for the purpose of public safety
- 53 pursuant to a park management plan with authorization of the Town Board upon
- 54 recommendation of the Park and Recreation Committee.
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- 56 (d) Defacing park property. No person shall cut, break or in any way injure or deface any  
57 building, fence, equipment or faculty, or any feature or property, including excavation  
58 and removal of soil, natural objects, upon or within any park; except however,  
59 projects undertaken in connection with development of park resources upon Order or  
60 Resolution of the Town Board upon recommendation of the Park and Recreation  
61 Committee.  
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- 63 (e) Littering. No person shall throw, deposit, place or leave in any park or waters therein  
64 any paper, rubbish, waste cans, bottles or refuse of any kind except in receptacles  
65 provided for waste.  
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- 67 (f) Use of park outside park hours. No cars, campers or pedestrians shall be in any park  
68 between eleven p.m. and five a.m. except those involved in scheduled activities  
69 approved by the Town Board upon recommendation of the Park and Recreation  
70 Committee.  
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- 72 (g) Bill posting. No person shall post, paste, fasten, paint or affix any placard, bill,  
73 notice, sign or advertising upon any structure or erect any structure for that purpose  
74 unless authorized by the Town Board upon recommendation of the Park and  
75 Recreation Committee.  
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- 77 (h) Removal of benches and tables. No person shall remove benches, seats or tables from  
78 the park proper without approval of the Town Board upon recommendation of the  
79 Park and Recreation Committee.  
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- 81 (i) Selling of goods. No person or group shall sell or offer for sale any article or thing in  
82 any park. This prohibition shall not apply to sales of refreshments and other articles  
83 authorized by the Town Board upon recommendation of the Park and Recreation  
84 Committee.  
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- 86 (j) Fires. No person shall start, tend or maintain any fire or burn any refuse except in  
87 designated park fireplaces or park grills.  
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- 89 (k) Camping. No camping is permitted in any park, unless approved by the Town Board  
90 upon recommendation of the Park and Recreation Committee.  
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- 92 (l) Hunting. No hunting is permitted in any park except to control animal population,  
93 disease, and/or damage to property in accordance with Section 11.05, and only upon  
94 approval of the Town Board upon recommendation of the Park and Recreation  
95 Committee.  
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- 97 (m) Unauthorized motor vehicles. No motor vehicles are permitted in any park except for  
98 emergency vehicles and those needed for Town authorized management activities.  
99 No motorized vehicles shall be parked in a park except in areas designated for  
100 parking.  
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- 102 (n) Alcoholic beverages. No person shall possess or consume alcoholic beverages in a  
103 park or recreational area.  
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- 105 (o) Glass containers. No person shall possess or consume any beverage in glass  
106 containers in a park or recreational area.  
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- 108 (p) Firearms. No person shall have in their possession or under their control, nor shall  
109 any person discharge, any firearm, as defined in Wis. Stat. §167.31(1)(c), including  
110 an air gun as defined in Wis. Stat §939.22(2), or a bow or crossbow in a park or  
111 recreational area.  
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- 113 (q) Unleashed pets. Pets shall be leashed in the park and no person shall allow their pet  
114 to deprive or disrupt the enjoyment or use of any park or recreation area. Pet owners  
115 are required to remove their pet’s fecal waste.  
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- 117 (r) Encroachment. No person shall construct any structures on park property. Examples  
118 of such: Play sets, gardens, flower beds, private paths, buildings, etc.  
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- 120 (s) Unauthorized easements. No new public utility easements or rights of way shall be  
121 permitted across any park except upon Order or Resolution of the Town Board upon  
122 recommendation of the Park and Recreation Committee.  
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- 124 (t) Sale of parks. Sale of park land is prohibited except upon order of the Town Board  
125 after recommendation by the Park and Recreation Committee and elector approval.  
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- 127 (u) Unauthorized changes to waterways. Construction of ponds, and the manipulation or  
128 alteration of water courses, springs or shore areas including stream and wetlands is  
129 prohibited except in conjunction with the Park Management Plan upon Order or  
130 Resolution of the Town Board upon recommendation of the Park and Recreation  
131 Committee.  
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- 133 (v) Horses. No horse or mule riding is permitted in Town parks or recreational areas.  
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- 135 (w) Bicycles. Bicycles are allowed only on designated bicycle trails.  
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- 137 (x) Athletic activities. No person shall play organized hard ball upon the athletic  
138 grounds. The use of the athletic grounds by organized teams shall be subject to the  
139 approval and scheduling of the Town Board upon recommendation of the Park and  
140 Recreation Committee.  
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- 142 (y) Fireworks. No fireworks are permitted in any park or recreational area.  
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144 **13.10 PENALTY**  
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- 146 (1) Except as otherwise provided, any person found to be in violation of any provision of the  
147 chapter shall be subject to a penalty as provided in Section 25.04.