

## ROCKAWAY BOROUGH RECREATION COMMISSION

### RULES & REGULATIONS

The following Rules & Regulations were approved and adopted by the Rockaway Borough Recreation Commission on May23, 2006. These Rules & Regulations are adopted pursuant to Rockaway Borough Ordinance, Chapter 71 entitled Recreation Commissioners.

#### Section A - Park Lake

The following Rules & Regulations apply to all Borough property situated at Park Lake.

For the purposes of these Rules & Regulations The:

1. Beach Area is described as the area from the dam at the south end of the lake, east to Academy Street and terminating at the far end of the swim team docks on the east side of the lake.

2. Picnic Area is described as the area from the dam at the south end of the lake north to the Rockaway Township line and includes all the area on the west side of the lake.

3. Park Area is described as the area on the east side of the lake from the Swim Team Docks north to the Township line.

4. The Walkway is defined as the macadam road located around the perimeter of Park Lake.

5. A. The following Rules & Regulations apply to the Beach Area of Park Lake:

5. A. 1. Operating hours of the Beach are as determined by the Recreation Commission on a yearly basis.

5. A. 2. Beach tags must be worn at all times by all persons 5 years of age and older.

5. A. 3. Guest tags are required by all guests 5 years of age and older. (Guests must be accompanied by a tag-wearing resident of the Borough of Rockaway or Rockaway Township resident wearing a Borough tag. Residents are responsible for the actions of their guests.) Guest Tags, Resident and non-resident day passes are on sale at the beach. Fees are determined by ordinance.

5. A. 4. Children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

5. A. 5. Beach Rules are as posted on the side of storage building and as provided by lifeguards and swimming instructors.

5. B. - The following are prohibited at the Beach Area of Park Lake unless allowed by written permission obtained from the Recreation Commission.

5. B.1. Motor vehicles of all types, except Police, Emergency, and Borough - owned vehicles.

5. B. 2. Motor boats of all types.

5. B. 3. Fires of all types including charcoal burners.

- 5. B. 4. Domestic animals (e.g., dogs, cats, horses, etc.).
- 5. B. 5. Glass or any products made of glass.
- 5. B. 6. Littering.
- 5. B. 7. Ball playing of all types except in the area on the east side of the lake provided for volleyball.
- 5. B. 8. Fishing.
- 5. B. 9. Rubber or plastic boats.
- 5. B. 10. Inflatable flotation devices, except within wading area unless the wearer can successfully demonstrate the ability to swim to the docks and back.
- 5. B. 11. Open or unguarded swimming in the area reserved for swim team practices and meets and lessons.
- 5. B. 12. Feeding waterfowl and wild animals.
- 5. B. 13. Alcoholic Beverages of All Types.
- 5. B. 14. Parking on the Beach Area.
- 5. B. 15. SMOKING

6. A. The following Rules & Regulations apply to the Picnic Area of Park Lake:

- 6. A. 1. Open hours of the Picnic Area are: 9:00 a.m. to dark daily.
- 6. A. 2. Area is for use of Rockaway Borough residents only. Guests must be accompanied by one or more Rockaway resident.
- 6. B. The following are prohibited at the Picnic Area of Park Lake, unless allowed by written permission obtained from the Recreation Commission.

- 6. B. 1. Motor vehicles of all types except, Police, Emergency, and Borough - owned vehicles.
- 6. B. 2. Fires of all types including charcoal burners.
- 6. B. 3. Domestic animals (e.g., dogs, cats. horses. etc.).
- 6. B. 4. Littering.
- 6. B. 5. Ball playing of all types (e.g., football. baseball, golf).
- 6. B. 6. Parking on any grass area.
- 6. B. 7. Alcoholic beverages of all types.

6. B. 8. Feeding waterfowl/wild animals.

7. A. The following Rules & Regulations apply to the Park area of Park Lake:

7. A. 1. Open hours of the Park area are: 9:00 a.m. to dark daily.

7. B. The following are prohibited at the Park area of Park Lake:

7. B. 1. Motor vehicles of all types except Police, Emergency, or Borough - owned vehicles. .

7. B. 2. Fires of any type including charcoal burners.

7. B. 3. Domestic animals (e.g., dogs, cats, horses, etc.).

7. B. 4. Littering

7. B. 5. Parking on any grass area.

7. B. 6. Feeding waterfowl/wild animals

7. B. 7. Alcoholic Beverages of all Types

7. B. 8. Ice Skating except when conditions are deemed safe as defined by The DPW and posted at the site.

8. A. Fishing at Park Lake - The following Rules & Regulations apply to the use of Park Lake for fishing:

8. A. 1. Open hours are: Sunrise to Dark daily.

8. A. 2. Fishing is prohibited in the Beach area. (See section A.1)

9.A The Walk Way at Park Lakes-The following is prohibited on the Walkway section of Park Lake

9. B. 1. Motor vehicles of all types except Police, Emergency, or Borough - owned vehicles. .

9. B. 2. Fires of any type including charcoal burners.

9. B. 3. Domestic animals (e.g., cats, horses, etc.)with the exception that dogs are permitted on the walk-way section of Park lake provided they are kept on a leash, remain on the walkway and do not enter the beach or park areas. Dog owners must clean up after their dogs.

9. B. 4. Littering.

9. B. 5. Alcoholic Beverages of all Types.

## Section B - Recreation Areas

The following Rules & Regulations apply to recreation areas of Rockaway Borough as described below. These Rules & Regulations are in effect unless modified by written permission obtained from the Recreation Commission:

### 1. Recreation Areas are:

- A. Memorial Park is the park area between Maple Avenue, Church Street, and the Borough Parking Lot. and the eastern end of the park area. Heady Field is included within Memorial Park.
- B. Centennial Park is the area on the east side of Farview Avenue.
- C. Smith Field is the area at the west end of Lincoln Avenue generally known as the Little League Field.
- D. Friendship Field is the area at Lakeside Drive, the Municipal Parking Lot, and Wall Street.
- E. Donatoni Community Park is the located on West Main Street

### 2. Operating hours of the playground areas are as follows:

- A. Playgrounds: 9:00 a.m. to dark daily.
- B. Lighted Basketball and Hockey Court: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. at Memorial Park
- C. Unlit Basketball Courts 9:00 a.m. to dark daily.

### 3. Ball Fields:

Priorities as to use of Recreation Areas will first be given to Recreation Activities as follows and as otherwise determined by the Recreation Commission:

- 3. A. Smith Field: Little League Baseball and Softball
- 3. B. Heady Field/ Memorial Park Complex: Girls' Softball (during regular season) Girls Softball and Women's Softball (Summer) and fall soccer
- 3. C. Friendship Field: Soccer and Little League Baseball and Softball during the regular season
- 3. D. Heady Field/Memorial Park Complex: Park Program Summer 9 am to 12:15 p.m. Park Closed to public during operational hours.
- 3. E. Donatoni Park-Youth Softball and Baseball, in season, Soccer and Football, in Season. Groups with 50% or less Rockaway Borough Residents will be subject to a rental fee if requesting the field with the use of lights.
- 3. F. Ball fields and other play areas may be closed, if, in the opinion of the Department of Public Works or the Recreation Director, the field conditions are not safe or suitable for use. (See section C. 3.)

4 The following are prohibited and apply to the Playground and recreational areas described above:

- A. Motor vehicles except Police, Emergency, and Borough - owned vehicles.
- B. Fires of all types, including charcoal burners.
- C. Alcoholic beverages of all types - - no exceptions.
- D. Loitering as defined by the Rockaway Borough Ordinance.
- E. Littering.
- F. Domestic animals (e.g., dogs, cats, horses, etc.), with the exception that dogs are permitted on the walkway section of Donatoni Community Park, provided that they are kept on a leash, remain on the walkway, and do not enter the recreation or playground areas of Donatoni Community Park. Dog owners must clean up after their dogs.
- G. Glass or any products made of glass.
- H. Bicycles
- I. Golf
- J. Smoking.

Section C - General

1. The use of any facility for purposes other than described above must be obtained in writing from the Recreation Commission. Forms are available through the Borough Clerk.
2. Penalties for violators of these Rules & Regulations are punishable by fines up to \$500.00. Amount of fine will be determined by the Municipal Court Judge of Rockaway Borough. (in accordance with the seriousness of the violation.)
3. The DPW or the Recreation Director may close down a site when the condition of the site is deemed unsafe or where use of that site would cause damage to the playing area. (Such as after heavy rains, etc.)
4. With regard to the enforcement of fines, a parent, guardian, or other person having legal custody of an infant under 18 years of age who fails or neglects to exercise reasonable supervision and control of the conduct of such infant shall be liable in a civil action for any willful, malicious, or unlawful injury or destruction by such infant of the real or personal property of another.
5. The Commission may offer a reward for information leading to the apprehension of any person or persons guilty of committing theft, vandalism or defacement of Recreation Facilities.
6. The Recreation Code of Conduct shall be posted at all Recreational Areas.
7. Groups with membership of 50% or less Rockaway Borough Residents shall be subject to a rental fee as determined by ordinance.

8. Whenever any minor under the age of 18 is taken into custody for violating the above rules and regulations, the chief of police of the Borough of Rockaway, or his duly authorized agent, shall notify the parent or guardian of such minor of the minor's detention, and request the parent or guardian to appear to take custody of the minor within deemed a reasonable time thereafter.

It shall be *unlawful* for a parent or guardian of a minor to:

(1) Refuse to appear as required above and take custody of the minor, or

(2) Fail to exercise adequate discipline so that a minor is taken into custody and charged pursuant to this section twice in a 24- hour period.

Effective May 23, 2006

Borough of Rockaway  
Recreation Commission

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by \_\_\_\_\_  
Deborah Tanzola, Secretary Sandy Patamia, Chairman