

RULES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE ROLLING MEADOWS PARK DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Be it ordained by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Rolling Meadows Park District that Ordinance No. 2 of the Rolling Meadows Park District, an Ordinance defining misdemeanors and provide penalties for such misdemeanors, as presently amended as follows:

1. The entire text of Ordinance No. 2 as amended is deleted in its entirety and there is substituted therefore the following:

Article I

For the purpose of this ordinance the following terms have the definitions given herein:

Section 1-1. "District" is the Rolling Meadows Park District, Cook County, Illinois.

Section 1-2. "Board" is the Board of Park Commissioners of the Rolling Meadows Park District

Section 1-3. "Director" is the Director of Parks & Recreation, the chief Administrative officer of the District.

Section 1-4. "Park" is any playfield, playground, swimming pool, ice skating rink, open area, building or parts thereof of other facility and materials and equipment therein owned, leased or in use by the District.

Section 1-5. "Person" is an individual, firm, partnership, group association, corporation, governmental unit, company or organization of any kind, except the District, its employees and the Board members while said employees and Board members are engaged in the performance of District duties.

Section 1-6. "Vehicle" is any conveyance, whether motor powered or self-propelled, except baby carriages, bicycles and conveyances in use by the District.

Article II

Reserved

Article III

Reserved

Article IV

Section 4-1 – 4-2. Reserved

Section 4-3. Cruelty to Animals

A. No person shall beat, cruelly treat, frighten, overload, overwork, overdrive, overburden, abandon, torture, torment, mutilate, transport in a cruel manner, or otherwise abuse any warm or cold blooded animal or fowl.

B. No person shall knowingly poison or cause to be poisoned any dog, cat, or other domestic or wild animal except rats or mice, and then only with Department of Agriculture approved poisons.

C. No person shall leash any dog, cat or other animal to a fixed object unless such chains, ropes or leashes are so placed or attached that they cannot be entangled with another animal or object. Such leash shall be located so as not to allow such animal to trespass on private property, nor cause harm or danger to persons or other animals.

D. No owner or keeper shall fail to provide any animal with sufficient wholesome food and water, proper shelter and protection from the weather, veterinary care when needed to prevent suffering and with humane care and treatment.

E. No person shall hold a greased pig contest.

F. No person shall be permitted to keep animals in violation of the "Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act".

G. No owner or keeper may abandon any animal in any Park.

H. When a community service officer or police officer finds a violation of this Section, or violation of any section of the Illinois Human Care for Animal Act, which has resulted in an animal being in such condition that no remedy or corrective action by the owner is possible, or if the owner refuses to provide such remedy or corrective action, the community service officer or police officers may remove such animal from custody of the owner and impound same at a registered veterinarian for proper care and treatment. The owner or keeper of said animal shall be held strictly liable for all expenses incurred.

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J. Any person who, as operator of a motor vehicle, strikes an animal in any Park shall stop at once and render such assistance as may be possible, and shall immediately notify the police department.

K. No person shall leave any animal unattended in a motor vehicle or enclosed trailer when the outside temperature shall exceed 30C (86°F) or contain any animal in such manner that said animal does not have proper air circulation while confined in a motor vehicle, trailer, kennel, dog house, or any type of container or structure in which an animal may be contained.

L. No person may bring or cause to have brought into any Park, own sell, offer for sale, barter, display or give away living baby chicks, ducklings or other fowl or rabbits which have been dyed, colored or otherwise treated so as to impart to them an artificial color.

Section 4.4 – 4-6 Reserved

Section 4-7 Owner's responsibility for removal of excreta. The owner of every animal shall be responsible for the removal of and sanitary disposition of any excreta deposited by his or her animal in any Park. When accompanying the animal in any Park, the owner shall have on his/her person suitable means for the removal of such excreta which will then be placed in a refuse container for sanitary removal.

Section 4-8. Pets/Animals in Park Building. No person shall bring any pet or animal into the West Meadows Ice Rink Building, the Sports Complex Building, the Plum Grove Park Building, or any other area open to the public in any other building owned by the Park District, except:

A. In accordance with the procedures approved by the Board of Commissioners of the Rolling Meadows Park District for a pet show, bird show, or other event at which the Board of Commissioners has specifically approved and authorized pets, birds or animals to be brought into such public areas; or

B. A totally or partially blind, hearing impaired or otherwise physically handicapped (or disabled) persons may be accompanied by a support dog or guide dog, provided that the dog is wearing a harness and such person presents credentials for inspection issued by a school fro training guide dogs.

Section 4-9. Running at large defined, prohibited. No person shall cause or permit any dog or any animal owned or kept by him or her to run at large in any Park. Dogs or other animals which are in any Park shall be held securely on a leach, the length of which shall not exceed six feet. Dogs or other animals which are in any Park without being held securely on a leash shall be deemed to be running at large.

Section 4-10. Penalty for Violation of Article IV. The penalty for any violation of any Section of Article IV shall be as follows:

	Payment on or Before Due Date	Payment After Due Date
First Offense	\$20.00	\$25.00

Second Offense	\$30.00	\$35.00
Third Offense	\$60.00	\$65.00
Fourth Offense	\$250.00	\$275.00

Article V
Vehicles

Section 5-1. No person shall bring or use any vehicle upon any portion of the Park where vehicles are prohibited, without permit of the Park District. Snowmobiles are entirely prohibited for use in or on any Park.

Article VI
Hindering Employees

Section 6-1. No person shall interfere with, or in any manner hinder, an employee of the Park District engaged in construction, repairing or caring for Park property.

Article VII
Public Meetings

Section 7-1. No person shall call or hold any public meeting or give any concert or public entertainment of any kind in the Park without a permit form the Park district.

Article VIII

Reserved

Article IX
Waste

Section 9-1 – 9-5 Reserved.

Section9-6. Burning, dumping, scattering prohibited. No refuse shall be burned, dumped, scattered or buried within any Park.

Article X

Reserved.

Article XI
Obstructing Travel

Section 11-1. No person shall set up or place or caused to be placed any goods, wares or merchandise or property of any kind so as to obstruct travel in any Park without permit from the Park district.

Article XII
Trespassing and Soliciting

Sections 12.1 – 12/417. Reserved

Section 12-418. Trespassers.

A. Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to commit a trespass on any Park.

B. Specifically enumerated trespass; suppression. Without conferring any limitation upon the provisions of Section 12-418(A) hereof, any of the following acts by any person, firm or corporation shall be deemed included among those that constitute trespass and violations of the provisions of said Section 12-418(A) and appropriate action may be taken hereunder at any time, or time to time, to prevent or suppress any violation or violations of this division, the aforesaid enumerated acts so indicated, being as follows, to wit:

1. Any entry upon any Park in violation of a notice posted or exhibited at the main entrance to said Park or at any point of approach or entry or in violation of any notice, warning or protest given orally or in writing by the Park District; or
2. The pursuit of a course of conduct or action incidental to the making of an entry upon a Park in violation of a notice posted or exhibited at the main entrance to said Park or at any point of approach; or
3. A failure or refusal to depart from a park in case of being requested, either orally or in writing, to leave by the Park District, or any representative thereof.

Sections 12-419 – 12-422 Reserved

Section 12-423. Policy on Soliciting. No person shall sell or exchange for sale any article or thing or do any hawking, peddling or soliciting or buy or offer to buy an article or thing, or take up any collection or solicit or receive any contributions of money or anything of value in any Park, except when authorized to do so by permit from or contract with the District.

Article XIII **Prohibited Conduct**

Sections 13-1 – 13-9 Reserved.

Section 13-10. Disorderly Conduct.

- A. Defined. A person commits disorderly conduct when he or she knowingly:
1. Does any act in such unreasonable manner as to alarm or disturb another and to provide a breach of the peace; or
 2. With intent to annoy another, makes a telephone call, whether or not conversation thereby ensues; or
 3. Transmits in any manner to the fire department of any city, town, village or fire protection district a false alarm of fire, knowing at the time of such transmission that there was no reasonable ground for believing that such fire exists; or

4 Transmits in any manner to another a false alarm to the effect that a bomb or other explosive of any nature is concealed in such place that its explosion would endanger human life, knowing at the time of such transmission that there is no reasonable ground that such bomb or explosive is concealed in such place; or

5. Transmits in any manner to any peace officer, public officer or public employee a report to the effect an offense has been committed, knowing at the time of such transmission that there is no reasonable ground for believing that such offense has been committed.

B. Prohibited. All persons are prohibited from engaging in any disorderly conduct in any Park.

Section 13-11 – 13-12. Reserved

Section 13-13. Fireworks.

A. Possession, sale, etc., prohibited. It shall be unlawful to possess, sell, exhibit for sale, offer for sale, shoot, explode or otherwise use or exhibit any fireworks, fire crackers, torpedoes, roman candles, sky rockets, cherry bombs, M-80's or other pyrotechnic displays within any Park, except as provided in 425 ILCS 35/2.

B. Definitions. Fireworks shall mean and include any explosive, composition, or any substance or combination of substances, or article prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect of a temporary nature by explosion, combustion, deflagration, or detonation, and shall include blank cartridges, toy cannons, in which explosives are used, the type of balloons which require fire underneath to propel the same, firecrackers, torpedoes, sky rockets, roman candles, bombs or other fireworks of like construction and any fireworks containing any explosive compound, or any tablets or other device containing any explosive substance, or containing combustible substances producing visual effects; provided, however, that the term "fireworks" shall not include snake or glow worm pellets, smoke devices, trick noise makers know as "party poppers," "booby traps", "snappers", "trick matches", "cigarette loads", and auto burglar alarms, wire sparklers, toy pistols, toy cannons, toy guns or other devices in which paper or plastic caps containing 25/100 grains or less of explosive compound are used, provided they are so constructed that the hand cannot come into contact with the cap when in place for the explosion, and toy pistol paper or plastic caps which contain less than 200/100 grains of explosive mixture.

Snake, glow worms means pressed pellets of pyrotechnic composition that produce a large snake-like ash upon burning. The ash expands in length as the pellet burns. These devices may not contain mercuric thiocyanate.

Smoke device means a tube or spear containing pyrotechnic composition that, upon ignition, produces white or colored smoke as the primary effect.

Trick noise maker means an item that produces a small report intended to surprise the user.

Wire sparklers means wire coated with pyrotechnic composition that produces a shower of sparks upon ignition. These items may not contain magnesium and must not exceed 100g of composition per item. Devices containing any chlorite or perchlorite salts may not exceed 5g of composition per item. These items include:

1. Auto burglar alarm. Tube which contains pyrotechnic composition and produces a loud whistle and/or smoke when ignited. A small quantity of explosive not exceeding 50 mg may be used to produce a small report. A squib is used to ignite the device.
2. Booby trap. Small tube with string protruding from both ends, similar to a party popper in design. Ends of the string are pulled to ignite the friction, sensitive composition, producing a small report.
3. Cigarette load. Small wooden peg that has been coated with a small quantity of explosive composition. Upon igniting the cigarette containing one of the pegs, a small report is produced.
4. Party popper. Small plastic or paper item containing no more than 16mg of explosive composition that is friction sensitive. A string protruding from the device is pulled to ignite, expelling paper streams and producing a small report.
5. Snapper. Small, paper-wrapped item containing a minute quantity of explosive composition coated on small bits of sand. When dropped, the device explodes, producing a small report.
6. Trick match. Kitchen or book match that has been coated with a small quantity of explosive or pyrotechnic composition. Upon ignition if the match, a small report or shower of sparks is produced.

C. Penalties. Any person violating this Section shall be punished by fine as follows:

	Payment on or Before Date Specified in Complaint, <u>Warrant or Summons</u>	Payment After <u>Due Date</u>
First Offense	\$25.00	\$35.00

Second Offense	\$50.00	\$65.00
Third Offense	\$100.00	\$125.00

Section 13-14. Public Drinking: Open containers of Alcoholic Liquor, etc.

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to drink any alcoholic liquor, as defined by law, in any Park, or in or about any motor vehicle in any Park (except as provided in Paragraph C of this Section).

B. It shall be unlawful for any person to transport, carry, possess, or have any alcoholic liquor in or upon or about any motor vehicle in any Park except in the original package and with the seal unbroken (except as provided in Paragraph C of this Section).

C. It shall not be a violation of this Section, if such drinking, transportation, carrying or possession is (a) pursuant to and in compliance and in accordance with all conditions of a permit theretofore issued and approved by the Board or (b) in connection with, at and during an event conducted in a particular Park for which the Board has authorized the consumption of alcoholic beverages, but only in accordance with the strict limitations of and strictly pursuant to said authorization.

D. Any person violating any provision of this Section shall be fined not less than \$100.00, no more than \$500.00.

Section 13–15. Reserved.

Section 13-16. Impersonating Police Officers. It shall be unlawful for any person to falsely represent any of the members of the police department of the City of Rolling Meadows or maliciously or with intent to deceive, use or imitate any of the signs, signals or devices used by the police department, or to wear police uniform.

Section 13-17. Intoxication. It shall be unlawful for any intoxicated person to be found in any Park.

Section 13-18. Loitering/Sleeping in Parks. No person shall sleep in the Park between 10:00 pm and 6:00 am or place, sing, occupy or use any hammock therein except when authorized by the Board.

Section 13-19 – 13-32. Reserved.

Section 13-33. Weapons – discharging. Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to fire or discharge any gun, pistol or other firearm in any Park, and it shall be unlawful to shoot or discharge any bow and arrow, BB, air or spring gun in any Park, unless specifically authorized by the Board.

Section 13-34 – 13-58 Reserved.

Section 13-59. Indecent, Profane Language. It shall be unlawful for any person to use any indecent, profane or obscene language in any Park.

Section 13-60 – 13-69. Reserved.

Section 13-70. Gambling.

A. It shall be unlawful for a person to commit gambling in any Park. A person commits when he or she:

1. Plays a game of chance or skill for money or other thing of value, unless excepted in subsection B of this Section; or
2. Makes a wager upon the result of any game, contest or political nomination, appointment or election; or
3. Operates, keeps, owns, uses, purchases, exhibits, rents, sells, bargains for the sale of or lease of, manufactures or distributes any gambling device; or
4. Contracts to have or give himself/herself or another the option to buy or sell, or contracts to buy or sell, at any future time, any grain or other commodity whatsoever, or any stock or security of any company, where it is at the time of the making of such contract intended by both parties thereto that the contract to buy or sell, or the option, whenever exercised, or the contract resulting therefore, shall be settled, not by the receipt or delivery of such property, but the payment only of differences in prices thereof; however, the issuance, purchase, sale, exercise, endorsement or guarantee, by or through a person registered with the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 8 of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953, or by or through a person exempt from such registration under Section 8, of a put, call or other option to buy or sell securities which have been registered with the Secretary of State, or which are exempt from such registration under Section 3 of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 is not gambling within the meaning of this paragraph; or
5. Knowingly owns or possesses any book, instrument or apparatus by means of which bets or wagers have been or are, recorded or registered, or knowingly possesses any money, which he/she has received in the course of a bet or wager; or
6. Sells pools upon the result of any game or contest of skill or chance, political nomination, appointment or election; or

7. Sets up or promotes any lottery or sells, offers to sell, or transfers any ticket or shares of any lottery; or

8. Sets up or promotes any policy, game or sells, offers to sell, knowingly possesses or transfers any policy ticket, slip, record or document or similar device; or

9. Knowingly advertises any lottery or policy game or drafts, prints or publishes any lottery ticket or share, or any policy ticket, slip, record, document or similar device, or any advertisement of any lottery or policy game; or

10. Knowingly transmits information as to wages, betting odds, or changes in betting odds by telephone, telegraph, radio or similar means; or knowingly installs or maintains equipment for the transmission or receipt of such information except that nothing in this subdivision prohibits transmission or receipt of such information for use in news reporting or sporting events or contests;

B. Participants in any of the following activities shall not be convicted of gambling:

1. Agreements to compensate for the loss caused by the happening of chance, including without limitation contracts of indemnity or guarantee and life or health or accident insurance; and

2. Offers of prizes, awards or compensation to the actual contestants in any bona fide contest where the determination of skill, speed, strength or endurance or the owners of animals or vehicles entered in such contests, but only when such conduct or activity within any Park is conducted pursuant to and in accordance with a permit issued by the Board or is otherwise specifically authorized in writing by the Board; and

3. Reserved; and

4. Reserved; and

5. The game commonly known as "bingo" when conducted in accordance with "an act making lawful the conducting of bingo by certain non profit organizations, requiring licensing and prescribing regulations therefore" but only when such conduct or activity within any Park is conducted pursuant to and in accordance with a permit issued by the Board or is otherwise specifically authorized in writing by the Board; and

6. Lotteries when conducted by the State of Illinois in accordance with the “Illinois Lottery Law”, and

7. Reserved; and

8. Raffles when conducted in accordance with “an act provide licensing and regulations certain games of change” but only when such conduct or activity within any park is conducted pursuant to and in accordance with a permit issued by the Board.

C. Penalty. Gambling under Subsection A1 through Subsection A 10 of this Section shall be penalized by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

ARTICLE XIV

Reserved.

Article XV

Reserved.

Article XVI

Reserved.

Article XVII

Reserved.

Article XVIII

Reserved.

Article XIX
Advertisements

Section 19.1 No person shall display any placard or advertisement of any kind in any Park, nor shall any person distribute, cast, throw or place any handbill, pamphlet, circular, advertisement or notice of any kind, nor post stencil or otherwise affix any notice, or bills, advertisements or other papers (all without regard to whether any message is political, commercial or of any other content whatsoever), upon any structure or thing in or about any Park without permission of the District.

Article XX
Restricted Parts of Park

Section 20-1. No person shall use any portion of any Park where persons are prohibited from going by director of the Director as indicated by sign or notice.

Article XXI

Reserved.

Article XXII
Bringing Plants, Shrubs or Trees Prohibited

Section 22-1. No person shall bring into or upon Park system any tree, shrub or plant, or any newly plucked branch or portion of a tree, shrub or plant except when authorized by the District.

Article XXIII
Damage to Park Property

Section 23-1. No person shall cut, break, climb on, or in any way injure or deface any tree, shrub, plant, turf or any of the buildings, fences, bridges, lamps or posts, or other structures or property within the Park system.

Article XXIV

Reserved.

Article XXV
Resisting or Interfering with Officer

Section 25-1. No person shall resist any police officer or District official or employee in the discharge of his duty or refuse to obey any lawful command of any such police officer or official in discharging his duty, or in any manner assist or give aid to any person in their custody to escape or to attempt to escape from custody or rescue or attempt to rescue any person when in such custody.

Article XXVI
Prohibition of Certain Activities and Congregating in Parks

Section 26-1. Qualification: Delivery of Alcoholic Liquors
The applicant shall furnish *liquor liability insurance* coverage in amounts, through companies and in such manner as are acceptable to the Board of Park Commissioners.

(A) Entering or Remaining in the Parks During Certain Times: No person shall enter upon or remain in or on any of the following Parks at any time during the period specified:

South Salk Park	11:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.
North Salk Park	10:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.
Kimball Hill Park	11:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.
Campbell Street Park	10:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.
Waverly Park	9:00 p.m. – 8:00 a.m.
Creekside Park	Dusk to 6:00 a.m.
Creekside Woods	Dusk to 6:00 a.m.
Community Center Park	11:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.
Countryside Park	Dusk to 6:00 a.m.
Plum Grove Park	11:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.

B. Entering or Remaining In Or About Park Buildings: Except when authorized by the District, no person shall enter upon or remain in any building owned or operated by the District or located on or in any Park (including, but not limited to the Sports Complex, Community Center or Park Central, West Meadows Ice Arena, or Plum Grove Park Building) or the parking lots and driveways immediately adjacent thereto except during such times as such buildings are open to the public and only in connection with the public activities then being conducted thereon. A person who is authorized or permitted pursuant to this Paragraph B to be in a park building or parking lot or driveway immediately adjacent thereto shall not be considered in violation of Paragraph A hereof.

Section 26-2. Football, Soccer and Other Field Sports at Waverly Park. No person shall play or engage in football, soccer or any other field sport within the boundaries of Waverly Park from April 1st through August 31st, inclusive *without express permission of the Park District*; however, it shall not be a violation of this Section for a person to play to play or engage in baseball on the baseball diamond in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Rolling Meadows Park District.

Section 26-3. Basketball Courts. Use of basketball courts in all Parks is prohibited before 9:00 am.

Section 26-4. Unpermitted Use of Community Center Park Soccer Fields. Use by any person of the soccer fields in the Community Center Park is prohibited except as authorized by permit issued by the District.

Section 26-5. Prohibited Uses of Tennis Courts at Plum Grove Park.

A. The Northernmost 3 Tennis Courts at Plum Grove Park are designated for tennis only, and no person may use said Tennis Court for any other purpose.

B. In addition, no person may use, possess or bring any metal or mechanical equipment or device (including but not limited to skateboards, roller blades, bicycles, tricycles or spiked shoes) on, in, into or upon the Northernmost 3 Tennis Courts at Plum Grove Park or anywhere within the fenced area surrounding said Courts.

Article XXVII
Musical Instruments

Section 27-1. No person shall play any musical instrument on or within any Park after 9:00 pm on any day from Sunday through Thursday, both inclusive except:

A. When specifically authorized in advance by the Board of Park Commissioners. On the Sunday preceding Labor Day and on the date immediately prior to the day on which Independence Day is observed; or

B. Within any Park building if the Board of Park Commissioners has given advanced approval.

Article XXVII

Section 28-1. Any person violating any clause or provision of any Section of this Ordinance where a fine is not specifically provided, shall be fined not less than \$20.00 nor more than \$500.00 for each offense upon conviction thereof.

Section 28-2. The Park District may seek an order that any offender under this ordinance be required to make restitution for damage resulting from violations in addition to or instead of any penalties provided by this Ordinance.

Ordinance 204 (April 25, 1989): Amends Park closing times and addresses fields sports at Waverly Park.

Ordinance 231 (February 23, 1993) Amends the entire text of Ordinance No. 2.

Ordinance 240 (May 24, 1994) Amends Park closing times.

Ordinance 252 (April 9, 1996) Amends Park closing times.

Ordinance 292 (April 25, 2000) Addresses pets in buildings.

Ordinance 308 (August 14, 2001) Adds Plum Grove Park and Waverly Park closing times.

Ordinance 312 (April 30, 2002) Addresses field and tennis court usage at Plum Grove Park.

Ordinance 340 (April 25, 2006) Amends Plum Grove Park closing times and addresses Liquor liability insurance.