

CHAPTER XX

PARKS AND RECREATIONAL AREAS

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Section 101. Rules and Regulations. The following rules and regulations shall be in force in any and all parks, playgrounds, and other outdoor recreation places under the control of the Tilden Township Park and Recreation Board and/or Tilden Township Board of Supervisors; and as used in this Chapter, the word "park" shall mean and apply to any and all of such parks, playgrounds and other outdoor recreation places. In this Chapter the singular shall include the plural, the plural shall include the singular, and the masculine shall include the feminine.

(a) All parks shall be open daily. Overnight camping will be permitted (on a limited basis), authorization must be obtained from the Tilden Township Park and Recreation Board and/or Tilden Township Board of Supervisors as to the location of such camping spot, the number of persons permitted to camp pursuant to such permit. It shall be unlawful for any person, camping under any such permit, to violate any condition set out in such permit.

(b) No person shall injure, deface, remove, cut or damage any tree, plant, shrub, turf, building, structure or fixture in any park, or any other property of the playground therein.

(c) No person shall remove any bench, seat or table from any park, or change the location thereof without advance permission from the person in charge of the park.

(d) No person shall use profane language in any park, or conduct himself in any lewd, immoral or commonly objectionable manner within the park, or conduct himself so as to annoy any other person using the park for recreational purpose.

(e) No person shall hold any meeting or gathering assembled through advertisement or public notice, and the use of the pavilion by a group of twenty-five (25) or more persons, within the limits of any park, without first having obtained a permit from the Tilden Township Park and Recreation Board and/or Tilden Township Board of Supervisors. The form of such permit, and the procedures relating thereto shall be specified by the Tilden Township Park and Recreation Board and/or Tilden Township Board of Supervisors. The application for such permit shall be in the name of a person who shall be responsible for the conduct of the gathering.

(f) No person shall set up or maintain any booth, table or stand, mobile or otherwise, for the sale of anything whatsoever, within the limits of any park, without prior consent of the Tilden Township Park and Recreation Board and/or

Tilden Township Board of Supervisors, which shall have authority to refuse such consent in any instance.

(g) No person shall dispose of any waste or garbage in any park except in receptacles designated for the respective purposes. All persons using a park shall dispose of all waste and garbage left by them in such proper receptacles. It shall be unlawful to discard, deposit, place or cast any garbage or waste upon the ground or in any waters of the park.

(h) No person shall set or maintain any fire in any park except in stoves and fireplaces maintained for the cooking purposes and designated areas as specified by authority of the Tilden Township Park and Recreation Board and/or Tilden Township Board of Supervisors.

(i) No alcoholic beverages will be permitted on these premises.

(j) No vehicles shall be brought into the park, including snowmobiles, minibikes, travel trailers, campers, airplanes, bicycles, motorized vehicles and all other motorized vehicles not mentioned herein.

(k) No animals allowed in the park except seeing eye dogs.

(l) All games, athletic or sports activities for which specific facilities or areas shall have been provided in any park, shall be confined to such facilities or areas. Games, athletics or sports activities for which no specific facilities or areas shall have been provided and which are not contrary to any other rule, regulation or law, may be conducted or participated in within the park, provided that such conduct shall not annoy, disturb, inconvenience or endanger any other person in the park. Provided, however, the playing of golf, or the use of golfing equipment shall be prohibited in all parks.

(m) No metal detector allowed on park premises.

(n) No person shall injure, deface or destroy any notice, rule or regulation posted at any place within any park by authority of the Tilden Township Park and Recreation Board and/or Tilden Township Board of Supervisors. Nor shall any person post, at any location within any park, any notice or placard other than by authority of the Tilden Township Park and Recreation Board and/or Tilden Township Board of Supervisors.

(Ordinance No. 43, June 28, 1979, Section 1)

Section 102. Authority. The Tilden Township Park and Recreation Board and/or Tilden Township Board of Supervisors shall have authority at its discretion at any time to establish fees for engaging in specific activities, and/or for the use of specific facilities in any park.

- (a) Application for permits will be issued by Park Director.

(Ordinance No. 43, June 28, 1979, Section 2)

Section 103. Penalties for Violation. Any Person, partnership, corporation or other entity who or which has violated or permitted the violation of the provisions of this Chapter shall be subject to a penalty of at least One Hundred and 00/100 Dollars and not more than One Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,000.00) plus all court costs, including reasonable attorney fees incurred by the Township as a result thereof, and in the event the penalty imposed for the violation of this Chapter is not voluntarily paid to the Township, the Township shall initiate a civil enforcement proceeding before a District Justice. The civil enforcement proceeding shall be initiated by complaint or by such other means as may be provided by the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure. (Ordinance No. 43, June 28, 1979, Section 3; as amended by Ordinance No. 113, March 4, 1997, Section 16)

Section 104. Severability. In the event that any provision, section, sentence, clause or part of this Chapter shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect or impair any remaining provision, section, sentence, clause or part of this Chapter, it being the intent of this Township that such remainder of this Chapter shall be and shall remain in full force and effect. (Ordinance No. 43, June 28, 1979, Section 4)

