

ORDINANCE NO.	<u>2008-02</u>
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ORDINANCE

REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF WOODWARD PARK AND SPORTS FACILITIES

1. The use of the tennis courts is limited to Town residents and property owners and their guests only, on a first-come, first-served basis. When other players are waiting to use the courts, players should limit their total usage to one hour from the time they begin.
2. The use of Woodward Park, including the basketball court, baseball/soccer field, picnic area, and the young children's playground, is open to all, including non-residents.
3. Specific facilities may be reserved for any day of the week for a one-time non-recurring use, such as family picnics. A special permit, issued by the Town Facilities Coordinator, is required.
4. Town residents and property owners may reserve the use of the soccer field or the baseball fields for sports practices by contacting the Town Facilities Coordinator. Those using these facilities should observe common courtesy and safety practices regarding others who may be using the area at the same time. The Town reserves the right to prohibit use of the facilities at any time due to adverse field conditions.
 - a) Town-sponsored activities such as Field Days, parades, and picnics take precedence over individual or group use of recreational facilities. The Town must notify residents, by such means as the Town Bulletin, in advance of such activities, and give reasonable notice to the Town Facilities Coordinator.
 - b) Group activities involving 10 or more ~~participants~~ players require a permit from the Town Facilities Coordinator. All groups must include, or be sponsored by, a Town resident responsible for actions of the group(s). Permits may be for a single event, or for a period not to exceed three months. Permits may be renewed, based on compliance with regulations and on availability. Permits will be issued on a first-come first-served basis. The issued permit must be in the possession of the group at all times when using the playing fields. Permitted use ends at 8:30 p.m. or at dusk, whichever comes first.
 - c) Use of Town facilities by groups with permits is restricted to ~~any~~ four days within a week, with a maximum of two times per week per group and ~~three~~ four hours per use for recurring uses. ~~It is the Town's intent to provide three days per week for recreational activities that do not require group use permits, and groups of 10 or more participants shall not be permitted use of the facilities on those days. The~~

field will not be available for use by groups of 10 or more players on one of the two week-end days.

- d) Permits will be revoked by the Mayor if violations of the regulations occur or if reasonable use is not occurring in accordance with the permit. Enforcement of the regulations is the responsibility of the Mayor, ~~any member of the Council, or any other person authorized in writing by the Mayor~~ the Mayor Pro Tempore as appropriate, or his or her written designee; provided that such written designee is appointed via Resolution of the Town Council adopted at a regular meeting of the Town Council or special meeting called for such purpose. Such person will notify police when necessary to carry out enforcement.
 - e) Signs will be posted near playing fields stating permit requirements. All permits issued by the Town Facilities Coordinator will include a set of regulations governing use of Town facilities.
5. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited without a valid alcohol permit executed by the Mayor.
 6. The charging of admission fees is prohibited.
 7. The park and picnic area must be left clean and orderly; trash removal will be the sole responsibility of the Town resident or property owner reserving the facility. It shall also be their responsibility to report any damage or problems sharing the fields to the Town Facilities Coordinator.
 8. Amplified music and all noise shall be kept to a reasonable level, to avoid disturbing neighboring residents.
 9. Vehicular access is limited to the hours between 8:00 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. or dusk, whichever comes first. Parking is restricted to the graveled parking areas along Oak Street. Parking is not permitted along Grove Road.

Approved by Mayor and Town Council

Mayor

Date

Attest:

Clerk-Treasurer

Date

(Note: Underlining and strikethrough indicate changes from Ordinance 99-02)