

ORDINANCE NO. 22-71

By: Bell

To establish Park rules and regulations and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, OHIO:

Section 1. Whenever the words, terms or expressions herein defined occur in this Ordinance, they shall have the meanings given below:

- (a) "Park" as used herein, means any public land, controlled or operated by the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Bexley, Ohio.
- (b) "Board" denotes the Bexley Recreation Board, consisting of three board members appointed by the Mayor and two board members representing the Bexley Board of Education.

Section 2. The following rules and regulations are ordained and established for the conduct of the parks of the City and the use thereof by residents and guests:

1. PARK HOURS  
Park opens at 7:30 A.M. and closes at 11:00 P.M. daily.
2. NATURAL RESOURCES  
No person shall injure, deface, remove, or destroy any tree, flower, shrub or other natural feature in the park.
3. CLIMBING TREES, BUILDINGS  
Climbing any tree or walking, standing or sitting upon buildings, fountains, walls, fences or copings is prohibited.
4. GARBAGE - TRASH  
Garbage or other waste materials shall be deposited in proper receptacles provided for such purposes. No person shall dispose upon the Park grounds, rubbish, ashes, leaves, cans, bottles, wire, paper, cartons, boxes, oil, glass or anything else of an unsightly or unsanitary nature.
5. DISORDERLY CONDUCT  
No person shall, either by word or act, indulge in any noisy, boisterous, disorderly or indecent conduct, or in any manner disturb the peace or good order of the people within the Park; or use threatening or abusive, insulting or indecent language. No person shall enter a rest-room set apart for the opposite sex. No person shall remain within the Park who does not abide by the rules and regulations adopted by the Board or City of Bexley. Any person violating the rules and regulations who is directed to leave the Park, shall do so promptly and peaceably.
6. ALCOHOL  
No person shall take into or upon any Park, any alcoholic beverages, narcotic drugs or opiates. No person under the influence of alcohol, narcotic drugs or opiates shall be allowed to enter or remain within any of the Parks.
7. PAINTING WALLS  
Writing, painting or defacing walls in rest rooms, buildings, fences and other Park property is not permitted.

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8. DESTROYING OR DEFACING OFFICIAL NOTICES  
No person shall deface or destroy any notice of the rules and regulations for the government of the Parks, which shall have been posted or permanently fixed by order or permission of the Board and/or Park and Recreation Director.
9. RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT  
Bexley Parks are restricted to Bexley residents and their guests.
10. SPEED LIMIT  
No person shall drive upon any Park road at a rate of speed exceeding ten miles per hour or the posted speed limit.
11. STORING VEHICLES  
No person shall park or store any motor vehicle, bicycle or wagon on Park property unless authorized by the Director of Parks and Recreation or the Board.
12. MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR AND CLEANING  
No person shall clean, wash or repair any automobile in or upon any Park.
13. DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE  
No person may distribute or place any sign, advertisement or circular, or display any banner, emblem or design within the park without a written permit issued by the Park and Recreation Director or the Board.
14. ADMISSIONS AND SOLICITING  
It is unlawful to sell or offer for sale within the Park any article, thing, privilege or service or to solicit or charge admission or sell tickets for any event taking place in the Park, unless authorized by the Board.
15. PARKING  
All cars must be parked in designated areas.
16. MOTOR CYCLES  
Motor cycles and mini-bikes are only permitted on the Park roadways.
17. DOGS  
Dogs are not permitted on the Park grass areas. All dogs walked through the park wooded areas and roadways must be controlled by a leash.
18. HUNTING  
Hunting, pursuing, trapping or molesting any wild bird or animal within the Park is prohibited.
19. FIREARMS  
No person is permitted to carry or discharge firearms, fireworks or explosive substances within the Park.
20. CAMPS AND CAMPFIRES  
Camp and campfires are prohibited unless permits are issued by the Board or Park and Recreation Director.
21. BALL GAMES  
Organized ball games (baseball, softball, football, soccer) are permitted in designated areas only.

22. GAMES AREAS  
Game areas (ie. tennis, handball and basketball courts) shall be reserved on a one hour basis to Bexley residents and their guests. No person is permitted to wear hard sole shoes on any game area.
23. PLAYING GOLF  
No person shall play golf or use golf balls and clubs within the Park, except in southeast area of Jeffrey Park and in Commonwealth Park.
24. MODEL AIRPLANES  
No person shall operate, or permit to be operated, any engine driven model airplane within Park unless granted permission by the Park and Recreation Director or the Board.
25. EQUIPMENT LOAN OR RENTAL  
Each person loaning or renting equipment from the Parks and Recreation Department is personally liable for damages or destruction of same and must pay the cost of repair or replacement.
26. BARBEQUES - PARK STOVES  
Cooking of food is permitted only in designated areas provided with Park stoves. Only charcoal is permitted in park stoves. Home barbeques may be used near park stoves only. Gasoline and other portable burner stoves are not permitted in Park unless approved for special activities by the Board or the Park and Recreation Director. A person shall be responsible for properly extinguishing charcoal coals following their use.
27. WATER POLLUTION  
No person shall throw, deposit or empty into Alum Creek, or cause or permit the same to be done, any kind of foul, offensive, poisonous or unhealthy matter, substance or thing, or any dead animal, or carcass, or any other matter or substance.
28. PERMITS  
Permits for the use of any Park and/or recreation facility, building or picnic grounds must be approved by the Park and Recreation Director or the Board. Permits are issued to adults only. Adult supervision of children's groups is required at all times. Person signing permit shall assume personal liability for the breakage, destruction or removal of park and recreation property, by any member of the group. Permits must be signed by a responsible individual no later than one week or earlier than ninety days prior to the scheduled event.
29. No person shall enter any building, enclosure or place within any of the parks upon which the words "No Admittance" shall be displayed or posted by sign, placard or otherwise without the consent of the Park and Recreation Director or other officer of the Parks.
30. The Board may waive the requirements of any of the rules and regulations contained herein for special events or occasions.

Section 3. Whoever violates any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not exceeding \$50.00 for each offense.

Section 4. That this ordinance is an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, said

emergency being that there are no valid rules and regulations for the use of the Parks of the City of Bexley, Ohio, and said ordinance shall go into immediate force and effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: July 27th, 1971.

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President of Council  
Pro-tem

Attest:

*C. Karpf*  
Clerk of Council

Approved: July 27th, 1971

*H. D. McClure*  
MAYOR