

PARK REMINDERS

- Enjoy your parks from dawn to dusk throughout the year.
- Please protect grass and natural areas. Grass clippings are not healthy for natural areas and motorized vehicles should stay on designated roadways and parking areas.
- Nature provides food for healthy geese. Please don't give them people food.
- To build up fish populations, catch & release fishing is encouraged.
- Messy shoes can ruin your day. Please clean up after your dog.
- Call 9-1-1 to report vandalism, misuse, or any other illegal activity.



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CHAPTER I – PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

The Oswegoland Park District (the “District”) is a municipal corporation that has been established under the authority of the Park District Code, 70ILCS1205/1, et seq., for the purpose of providing open space and facilities for educational and recreational purposes to the residents of the District. These Rules and Regulations are intended to assist the District in its management of its Property and Facilities to ensure that all residents of the District have safe and equal access to its Properties and Facilities.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

Unless otherwise expressly stated whenever used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall respectively mean:

- A. “Alcoholic Liquor” shall be defined in the Illinois Liquor Control Act, (235 ILCS 5/1-3.05) as same as amended from time to time.
- B. “Area” shall mean a specified location within a Park or Facility.
- C. “Barbeque Grill” shall mean a fabricated metal container and grill designed for the cooking of food.
- D. “Board” shall mean the Board of Commissioners of the Oswegoland Park District, a Municipal Corporation, Kendall County Illinois.
- E. “Commercial Solicitation” shall mean any one or more of the following activities, not done for charitable purposes, by a Person on District Property:
 - 1. The sale of, or seeking to obtain orders for, the purchase of goods, wares, merchandise, foodstuff or services of any kind, character or description, for any kind of consideration whatsoever.
 - 2. The sale of, or seeking to obtain prospective customers for any application or purchase of insurance of any type, kind or character.
 - 3. The sale of, or seeking to obtain subscriptions to books, magazines, periodicals, newspapers or any type of publication.
- F. “Dawn” shall mean sunrise.
- G. “Director” shall mean the Director of the Oswegoland Park District.
- H. “District” shall mean the Oswegoland Park District, a Municipal Corporation, Kendall and Will County, Illinois
- I. “Dusk” shall mean one (1) hour after sunset.
- J. “Employee” shall mean any Person on the payroll of the Oswegoland Park District, or under agreement with the Park District, employed to perform special duties and tasks as described by personnel policy and the Board of Commissioners.
- K. “Facility” shall mean any Park, building, appurtenance, Area, or structure owned or leased by the Park District.
- L. “Fireplace” shall mean a permanent structure or masonry designed for an open fire, embers or ashes.
- M. “Group” shall mean an assemblage of two (2) or more Persons.

- N. “Illegal Drug” shall be as defined in the Illinois Controlled Substance Act (720 ILCS 570/101, et. Seq.) and the Cannabis Control Act (720 ILCS 550/1, et. Seq.) as the same as amended from time to time.
- O. “Loitering” shall mean to remain in or near a place in an idle or apparently idle manner.
- P. “Motorized Vehicle” shall mean each and every form of conveyance that is powered by a source other than human power.
- Q. “Overnight” shall mean the period when the Park, Permit or Facility officially closes or ends, until it opens the following day.
- R. “Park” or “Park Property” or “Property of the District” shall mean all developments, improvements, facilities and any or all land, minerals, waters, overhead air rights, easements, and other Reservations owned, leased, controlled, or used by the District.
- S. “Park Patrol” shall mean any Person, agent, Employee, patrolman, police officer, or other law enforcement officer appointed or designated by the Board to enforce the Rules and Regulations adopted by the Board.
- T. “Permit and Reservation” shall mean and include any authorization issued by the Director pursuant to the authority of the Board for a specified Park privilege, activity or event, or permitting the performance of a specified act or acts in any Park.
- U. “Person” shall mean any individual, company partnership, corporation, incorporation or association, or any combination of individuals or gathering whatsoever.
- V. “Religious solicitation” or “charitable solicitation” shall mean the request by a Person on District Property directly or indirectly, of money, credit, property, financial assistance or other thing of value on the plea or representation that such money, credit, property, financial assistance or other thing of value will be used for a religious or charitable purpose. These words shall also mean and include the following methods of securing money, credit, property, financial assistance or other thing of value on the plea or representation that it will be used for a religious or charitable purpose as herein defined.
 - 1. Any oral or written request.
 - 2. The distribution, circulation, mailing, posting or publishing of any handbill, written advertisement or publication.
 - 3. The public making of any announcement concerning an appeal, assemblage, athletic or sports event, bazaar, benefit, campaign, contest, dance, drive, entertainment, exhibition, exposition, party, performance, picnic, sale or social gathering to be held within the District, which the public is requested to patronize or to which the public is requested to make a contribution for any religious or charitable purpose connected therewith.
 - 4. The sale of, offer or attempt to sell, any advertisement, advertising space, book, card, chance, coupon, device, magazine, membership, merchandise, subscription, ticket or other thing in connection with which any appeal is made for any religious or charitable purpose, or where the name of any religious or charitable Person is used or referred to in any such appeal as an inducement or reason for making any such sale, or when or where in connection with any such sale, any statement is made that the whole or any part of the proceeds from any such sale will go or be donated to any religious or charitable purpose.

CHAPTER I – PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS (cont.)

- W. “Roller Skating” shall mean the use of roller skates, roller blades, or skateboards.
- X. “Rules and Regulations” shall mean and include any resolution, regulation or Ordinance adopted by the Board.
- Y. “Vehicle” shall mean any device, conveyance, or combination of conveyances, wheeled or without wheels, propelled, towed or unpropelled in, around or on which, a Person or thing is or may be carried, including, but not limited to, bicycles, scooters, skateboards, mini-bikes, motorcycles, snowmobiles, baby strollers, sleds, all terrain vehicles, trucks and automobiles excepting those devices assisting mobility in reference to the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Z. “Watercraft” shall mean any type of conveyance, whether powered by sun, wind, mechanical or human energy, for travel upon waters.

CHAPTER II – HOURS OF OPERATION

In connection with any Park or Property of the District:

- A. No Person shall be allowed on Park Property between Dusk and Dawn, unless otherwise authorized by the Director or when attending an authorized meeting or activity being held in a District Facility.
- B. No person shall be allowed at any time, for any reason, on any Park site or Property that is declared closed by the Director or their designate.

CHAPTER III – RESTRICTED AREAS

A. Entering Prohibited Areas

No Person shall enter upon any portion of the District Property where Persons are prohibited from going by direction of the Board, Director, or their designate, as indicated by sign or notice.

B. Entering Unfinished Areas

No Person except as authorized by the District shall enter upon any part of the District Property that is in an unfinished state or under construction.

C. Entering Building or Areas Closed to Public or Scheduled for Specific Group or Activity

No Person shall enter any building or area of District Property when it is closed to the public. No Person shall enter any building or area in the District which is reserved or scheduled for a specific group or activity, unless such Person is invited by the Person responsible for such activity and, if applicable, such Person has paid all appropriate admission fees.

D. Use of Rest Rooms and Comfort Stations

No Person eight years of age or older shall use the restrooms designated for the opposite sex. No Person under the age of five years shall use any restroom unless accompanied by a Person over the age of eighteen years.

E. Playgrounds Designated for Persons under Twelve Years of Age

No Person the age of twelve years or older shall use playground equipment designed for Persons under the age of twelve years.

CHAPTER IV – REGULATIONS OF MOTORIZED VEHICLES

SECTION 1. VEHICLE EQUIPMENT AND OPERATION AND ACCESS

No Person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Operate, or cause to be operated, any Motorized Vehicle which in any manner that does not comply with the Vehicle Code of the State of Illinois, or other law or laws of the State of Illinois or local municipal Ordinances where applicable, together with such regulations as are contained in this Ordinance and as from time to time amended, having to do with the equipment, control, licensing, registering, and use of Motorized Vehicles and/or the licensing of operators of such Vehicles.

SECTION 2. VEHICLE TYPES AND ACCESS

No Person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Operate, or cause to be operated, any Motorized Vehicle anywhere except on the roads, drives and Parking Areas provided, without written permission of the Director or their designate and then only in compliance with the directions and restrictions of the local police of the area.
- B. Operate, or cause to be operated, any Motor Vehicle anywhere that is not licensed or permitted to be operated on the roads, streets and highways of the State of Illinois, without written permission of the Director or their designate and then only in those Areas specified and in accordance with the Rules and Regulations duly set forth by the Director or their designate. Vehicles not so licensed and, therefore, subject to the provisions of this subsection include, but are not limited to, snowmobiles, go-carts, trail bikes, mini-bikes, and such other all-terrain off-the-road Vehicles.
- C. Operate a Motorized Vehicle on any road, drive or parking area posted, gated or barricaded as closed to public traffic.
- D. Any unauthorized Vehicle remaining on District Property after closing may be caused to be removed from anywhere in any of the Park Property by towing. The expense of such towing shall be borne by the owner of the Vehicle.

SECTION 3. PARKING

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Park a Motorized Vehicle anywhere except in specific Areas as posted or designed for the parking of Vehicles. The Director or their designate shall determine posted parking Areas.
- B. Park a Motorized Vehicle anywhere Overnight without a Permit issued by the Director. Any Vehicle parked for 24 consecutive hours without a Permit may be towed.
- C. Park a Motorized Vehicle in any manner at anytime as to partially or totally block, restrict or impede another parked Vehicle, normal traffic flow, road, driveway, sidewalk, doorway, or recreational Area. The District shall have the right to tow away any Motorized Vehicle in violation of this paragraph.
- D. Park a Motorized Vehicle on turf, meadow, prairie, marsh, field, in a woodland, or on the exposed roots of any tree or shrub, except in an emergency or a matter of public safety.

CHAPTER IV – REGULATIONS OF MOTORIZED VEHICLES (cont.)

- E. Loiter within a parking Area.
- F. Change any parts, change oil, repair, wash, grease or clean a Vehicle on any parking area in or on District Property except such repairing, cleaning as is necessary to insure good vision, or such emergency repairs as are necessary to remove such Vehicle from the parking Area.

If the District is authorized to tow a Vehicle based on a violation of this Section, the expense of such towing and storage charge if any, shall be borne by the owner of the Motorized Vehicle.

SECTION 4. IMPROPER AND NEGLIGENT VEHICLE OPERATION

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Operate a Vehicle at a rate of speed or in any manner that is unreasonable or imprudent, not having regard to the traffic and use of the way, condition of the weather, visibility, condition of the way and other surrounding conditions, so as to endanger life or limb, or injury to the Property of any Person.
- B. Operate a Vehicle in such a manner as to deprive or unreasonably interfere with the equal right of any other Person to the use of such public street or highway.
- C. Operate a Vehicle in such a manner as to cause or produce unnecessary loud, raucous, excessive or unusual noise by racing of the motor, by lack of a muffler or use of a muffler cutout, by tire friction upon rapid turning or weaving, by spinning of the wheels from standing or slow moving position produced by sudden unnecessary motor acceleration, or by continuous sounding of a horn or other signal device.
- D. Operate a Vehicle in disregard of any sign, signal, marking or device erected, constructed or created by the Director or their designate for the purposes of regulating, warning, or guiding traffic, or contrary to the order of direction of any police or Park Patrol officer or other Person duly authorized by the District Director or their designate to regulate traffic in the Parks.
- E. Operate a Vehicle and intentionally accelerate causing the rubber tires to spin, mark and deface Park facilities, turf, or roadway surface.
- F. Operate a Vehicle upon or in any Park Area, road, or drive that has been closed and posted with appropriate signs or barricades. The Director or their designate shall have authority to order Areas, roads or drives closed during the process of construction, reconstruction, repair and/or other management purposes.
- G. Leave a motor vehicle unattended in any District Property while the motor of such vehicle is running.
- H. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to relate to emergency, police or fire department Vehicles or any Vehicle owned by the District or a District employee displaying proper identification where the employee is duly authorized to operate such Vehicle at such location.

No Person who is under the influence of intoxicating liquor, drugs, or a controlled substance shall drive, operate, or be in possession or control of, or attempt to drive or operate, any Vehicle in any Park or on any District Property.

CHAPTER V – PROTECTION OF PROPERTY, FACILITIES, AND NATURAL RESOURCES

SECTION 1. PROTECTION OF PROPERTY AND FACILITIES

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Destroy, deface, paint, alter, change or remove any post, building, wall, shelter, picnic table, bridge, pier, drain, well, foundation, washroom, pump, athletic court and apparatus, telephone, lamp post, fence, gate, refuse container, exhibit, display, tool or equipment, storage box, utility outlet, movie screen, flagpole, playground structure or any other structure, Park amenity, or parts thereof, without written permission of the Director or their designate. No Person shall bring, carry, or use in any Park any aerosol can of paint, except in a directly supervised program.
- B. Deface, destroy, cover, damage or remove any placard, notice, or sign or parts thereof, whether permanent or temporary, posted or exhibited by the District to announce the rules, regulations and warnings, or any other information to the public necessary or desirable for the proper use of the Park.
- C. Throw, carry, cast, drag, push or deposit any refuse container, picnic table, barricade or any other movable or non-movable property into lakes, ponds, sloughs, streams, rivers or lagoons, or upon the frozen waters thereof, or to otherwise move, stack or hide such property in such a way as to render in unavailable to the general public for its intended use, or to cause a hazard to public safety, or to damage or destroy such property.
- D. Enter into or upon any Park, waters, or Area thereof or structure closed or posted against trespass, without written permission of the Director or their designate. These structures or Area may be, but are not limited to, residences and their immediate surrounding Area, construction Areas, work safety zones, equipment or material storage structures or Area, work shops or stations, tree nurseries or Areas undergoing intensive reforestation, or other soil or vegetative treatment or Area hazardous to public safety or health.
- E. Tamper with, or in any way weaken, destroy, damage, or remove anything from any District-owned Vehicles, machines, equipment, facilities or playgrounds without written permission from the Director or their designate.
- F. Bring into, leave behind, or dump any material of any kind, whether waste or otherwise, except refuse, ashes, garbage and other material arising from the normal use and enjoyment of a picnic or other permitted activity. Any refuse that is produced on-site shall be disposed of on-site in the appropriate designated receptacles or removed from the Park. No bottles, cans, refuse, or foreign material of any description shall be deposited or thrown in any of the streams, waterways, ponds or lakes located in the Parks.
- G. Occupy or inhabit, or cause to be occupied or inhabited, any house, barn, shelter, shed or other structure or use for storage, or cause to be used for the storage of any goods, any house, barn, shelter, shed or other structure without approval of the Board, and written permission of the Director or their designate.

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- H. Misuse any refuse container or receptacle by depositing into it any hot coals or other hot or burning substances; or by depositing into it any garbage, trash, refuse or other unwanted material that was not generated on the site in the course of normal, lawful use of District Property.
- I. Remove any container or material from receptacles designated for the purpose of waste recycling.
- J. Plant any landscaping on Park District Property without consent of the Director or their designate.

SECTION 2. DESTRUCTION OR MISUSE OF NATURAL RESOURCES

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Cut, remove, uproot or destroy any tree, sapling, seedling, bush, shrub, flower or plant, whether alive or dead, or ship, blaze, box, girdle, trim or otherwise deface or injure any tree, shrub or bush, or break or remove any branch or foliage thereof, or pick or gather any seed of any tree or other plant unless necessitated by the performance of restorative maintenance, or construction work as authorized by the Director or their designate.
- B. Remove or cause to be removed any sod, earth, humus, downed timber, wood chips, peat, rock, sand or gravel, or remove or cause to be removed any other natural material of the forest floor or earth unless necessitated by the performance of restorative, maintenance, or construction work as authorized by the Director or their designate.
- C. Hunt, pursue, trap, catch, capture, molest, poison, wound or kill, or attempt to hunt, trap, catch, capture, molest, poison, wound, or kill any invertebrate animal, mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian, disturb, molest or rob the nest of any mammal, bird, insect, reptile or amphibian or the lair, den or burrow of any mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian.
- D. Fish in any waters of the District posted against fishing, or by using a bow and arrow, spear or slingshot, or by using hooks baited with live or dead fish, amphibian or bird, or with any device using more than two hooks per line, or any net, seine or trap, or with attended or unattended lines during the hours that Parks are closed as defined by provisions of this Ordinance or in violation of any applicable law of the State of Illinois as administered by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources or in violation of any regulations or restrictions as may be posted by the Director or their designate controlling the size, species, and number of fish that can be taken from a designated body of water.
- E. Release or cause to be released any wild, domestic, or pet animal, bird, fish or reptile, or bring in, plant or distribute the seeds or spores of any flowering or non-flowering plant brought into or upon Park lands or waters from any outside source whatsoever, without written permission of the Director or their designate.
- F. Use or cause to be used any chemical or biological pesticide or any other substance, measure or process designed to alter the anatomy or physiology of any organism for the purpose of directly manipulating their populations without written permission of

the Director or their designate, and then only in compliance with applicable laws of the State of Illinois and the United States.

- G. Feed, harbor, or otherwise attract into a Park any type of waterfowl, including ducks, geese, and seagulls.
- H. Route any form of storm water, runoff from sump pumps, or any other unnatural discharge of water onto District Property without the written permission of the District and only in accordance with applicable law.
- I. Deposit, dump, throw, cast, lay or place, or cause to be deposited in any Park or Facility, any ashes, trash, rubbish, paper, garbage, refuse, grass clippings, leaf waste, debris or junk. However, on-site produced garbage can be deposited in an appropriately designated container.
- J. Pump from Park District waters for private use.

SECTION 3. CONTRABAND

All animals, plants, birds, fish or reptiles, or parts thereof, killed, captured, trapped, taken or bought, sold or bartered, or hand in possession, contrary to any provision of this ordinance or applicable law, shall be and are hereby declared contraband, and as such, shall be subject to seizure by any police or Park patrol or employee of the District.

SECTION 4. DESTRUCTION BY MISUSE OF FIRE

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Set fire, or cause to be set on fire, any tree, forest, brush land, grassland, meadow, prairie, marsh, refuse container or structure, without written permission of the Director or their designate.
- B. Build a fire anywhere, for any purpose, except in provided Fireplaces, or Barbeque Grills as defined herein.
- C. Drop, throw away or scatter any burning, lighted or hot coals, ashes, cigarette, cigar, firecracker, or match.
- D. Cause, suffer, or allow the burning of garbage, refuse, waste material, trash, Motor Vehicle or any part thereof, or other combustibles within the Park so as to cause smoke, haze, odor, sparks, dust, dirt, or other type matter or gaseous substance to come upon, pass through, or over the Park.
- E. Build a fire or cause a fire to start in a Fireplace or Barbeque Grill close to or in any tree or other plants in such a way as to deface, damage or destroy that structure, or scar, injure or destroy any tree or plants or their foliage.
- F. Build any fire whatsoever for any purpose in or out of a Barbeque Grill or Fireplace and leave it unattended, unless such fire is properly extinguished. For the purpose of this Ordinance, a fire shall be deemed properly extinguished when its ashes, residue, coals and unburned substance are cold to the human touch.

CHAPTER VI – PERSONAL CONDUCT & BEHAVIOR

SECTION 1. DISORDERLY CONDUCT

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property in the District:

- A. Disturbing the peace. Engage in any disorderly conduct, or act in any manner so as to disturb the peace within the Park. Loud playing of record players, televisions, radios, tape recorders, noisemakers, CD players, sound equipment, musical instruments, fighting, quarreling or wrangling with loud voice or shouts, use of profane or abusive language, threatening violence to the Person or Property of others, or engaging in riotous clamor or tumult are violations of this provision. No Person shall disturb or intrude upon a picnic or gathering in any Park without consent of those composing the Group, except for Park Employees in the proper pursuit of their duties.
- B. Assault. Commit an assault. An assault occurs when a Person engages in conduct which places another in reasonable apprehension of receiving a battery.
- C. Battery. Commit a battery. A battery occurs when any Person intentionally or knowingly without legal justification and by any means cause bodily harm to an individual.
- D. Begging. Beg or solicit alms in any Park.
- E. Loitering. Loiter for the purpose of soliciting a lewd or unlawful act in such a way or manner that places another Person in reasonable apprehension of their personal safety or their security of their Property.
- F. Hazardous Recreational Activity. Engage in any activity, sport, game, or amusement that constitutes a hazardous recreational activity which creates substantial risk of injury to a participant or spectator as defined in 745 ILCS 10/3-109, et seq. An activity that may not be a hazardous recreational activity and is not enumerated in the above statute, may become so due to the location of the activity or the proximity to those not participating.
- G. Impersonation. Have the identification of a Park Employee unless authorized (i.e., card, badge, etc.). No Person may represent himself/herself as a Park Commissioner, Park Ranger, Park Policeman, or Director of Parks and Recreation unless duly commissioned by the Park Board.

SECTION 2. PUBLIC INDECENCY

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Conduct. Engage in an act of public indecency. Public indecency shall include: (1) an act of sexual penetration; (2) sexual conduct as defined in 720 ILCS 5/12-12(e)(f); or (3) a lewd exposure of the body done with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desire of the person.
- B. Attire. Appear partially nude. Partial nudity shall include: (1) the showing of the human male or female buttocks or any portion thereof with less than a full opaque covering; (2) the showing of the female breast with less than a full opaque covering any portion thereof; or (3) the depiction of covered male genitals in a discernibly turgid state. This definition shall also include the entire lower portion of the human female breast, but still not include any portion of the cleavage of the human female

breast exhibited by a dress, blouse, shirt, leotard, bathing suit, or other wearing apparel, provided the areola is not exposed. This definition includes and is intended to prohibit the wearing of “thong” or “t-back” bathing suits on Park Property.

SECTION 3. SOLICITING/VENDING/ADVERTISING

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Offer or exchange for sale any article of merchandise or food or do any banking, peddling, or solicitation, or buy or offer to buy any article of merchandise or food, or take up any collection or solicit or receive contributions of money or articles of value, except when authorized by Permit or under contract with the District.
- B. Display, distribute, post, or fix any type of placard, sign, pamphlet, or other printed material containing advertising or other material whatsoever, except for Groups holding a valid picnic or special event that may have identification and direction signs, provided they are temporary and removed at the end of the activity, and are not attached to any tree, post, fence, building or other District structure.

SECTION 4. GAMBLING

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Manage, operate or engage in gambling in any form. It also is a violation for any Person to possess any device or machine whose purpose is to wager on the outcome or which money or other things of value are staked. Any such device or machine shall be subject to seizure, confiscation and destruction by any Employee of the District.

SECTION 5. FIREARMS, WEAPONS, EXPLOSIVES, AND MISSILES

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Have in their possession or on or about their Person, concealed or otherwise have, carry, or discharge any firearm, gun, pistol or shotgun in any Park or Park Property except for programs approved by the Director or their designate. At no time shall anyone carry any switchblade, hunting knife, dagger, metal knuckles, club, chain, slingshot, blowgun, bow and arrow, any potentially dangerous lethal instrument, harmful solid, liquid aqueous, effervescent, gaseous substance while within any Park or upon Park District Property.
- B. Throw or cast any stones or other missiles, or any class of fireworks, sparkler, or smoke device in any Park.

SECTION 6. USE OF FACILITIES RESTRICTED BY SEX

No Person, except for children under eight (8) years of age, shall enter or remain in any toilet, locker room, restroom, or other structure that has been designated by the District for use of the opposite sex.

SECTION 7. UNLAWFUL CONSTRUCTION

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

1. Erect, construct, install or maintain including but not limited to any garden, tent, hunting perch, tree house, play structure, or any other structure on, below, over, or across any Park or District Property, except as permitted in writing by the Director or their designate and specifying work to be done and conditions pursuant to the terms of such Permit.

SECTION 8. UNLAWFUL OBSTRUCTIONS

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Set or place or cause to be set or placed any goods, wares or merchandise, or any stand, cart or vehicle for the transportation or vending of any such goods, wares or merchandise, or any other article upon any Property of the District to the obstruction of use of any Park or to the detriment of the appearance of any Park.
- B. By force, threats, intimidations, or by any unlawful fencing or enclosing or any other unlawful means prevent or obstruct or combine and confederate with others to prevent or obstruct any Person from peacefully entering upon any Property of the District or preventing or obstructing free passage or transit over or through any lands or waters of the District or obstruct the entrance into any enclosure within the District, except that nothing in this Section shall be construed to deny lawful enforcement of a valid Permit granting a certain Person or Persons use to the exclusion of others as defined and provided for in this Ordinance.

SECTION 9. ALCOHOL, DRUGS AND SMOKING

- A. No person who is under the influence of intoxicating liquor or narcotic drugs may be or remain on Park District property. Nor shall any person transport, carry, possess or otherwise have any violation of either the Cannabis Control Act, Chapter 56 1/2 Section 71 of the Illinois Revised Statutes or in violation of the Controlled Substances Act, Chapter 56 1/2 Section 1100. Nor shall any person transport, carry, possess or have any alcoholic liquor in violation of the Liquor Control Act of 1934, Chapter 43 Section 93.9 of the Illinois Revised Statutes or in violation of the local ordinance issued by the jurisdiction having authority to issue such an ordinance.
- B. Smoking cigarettes, cigars or pipe tobacco in any indoor facility of the District or within 15 feet of any entrance to a District facility is in violation of the Smoke Free Illinois Act, effective January 1, 2008.

SECTION 10. CONTROL AND TREATMENT OF ANIMALS AND PETS

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Bring in, lead or carry any dog (except for a seeing eye dog) onto Park Property that is unleashed or on a leash longer than six (6) feet, except in those Areas designated by the Director or their designate for dog training and then only in accordance with the Rules and Regulations duly promulgated for the control of such Area or Areas.
- B. Willfully or neglectfully cause or allow or release any animal or fowl, wild, domestic or pet, to run or remain at large except within those Areas designated by the Director or their designate and then only in accordance with the rules and restrictions duly promulgated for the control of such Area or Areas.
- C. Torture, whip, beat or cruelly treat or neglect any animal.
- D. Bring in, drive, ride or lead in any animal, except that horses and other beast animals may be ridden or led or driven ahead of carts, wagons or other non-motorized conveyances attached thereto on such portions of the Park as may be designated by the Director or with a Permit from the Director or their designate and then only in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance and the rules and restrictions duly promulgated for the control of such Area or Areas.

- E. Bring in, drive, ride or carry any wild, domestic or pet predator animal or bird, leashed or unleashed, into the District Property or part thereof, designated as a nature preserve or Nature Area or Historic site unless such animal is kept confined in a closed Vehicle or trailer.
- F. Shall permit to remain any offal or manure produced or deposited by any animal owned by him or within his control.
- G. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to prohibit the controlled use of certain animals approved by the Director or their designate for purposes of public safety, such as, but not limited to, the protection of Employees, of District Property, the protection of Employees in the performance of their duties, or search and rescue.
- H. No person shall bring or keep any animal in any Park District building or area in a park not designated for that purpose, except that a disabled person may bring or keep guide or other animals, specifically trained for that purpose of aiding any such person, or unless otherwise authorized by the Park Director or for purposes of a Park District program. Approved by the Park Board of Commissioners on November 13, 2006.

SECTION 11. PUBLIC GATHERING

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District

- A. Hold or attempt to hold any meeting, assembly, demonstration, celebration, parade, rally, religious worship or any sponsored entertainment, social, recreational, or athletic event without first obtaining a written permit from the Director or their designate in accordance with Facility and Park Reservation Procedures.

CHAPTER VII – REGULATIONS OF SPORTS, GAMES AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES

SECTION 1. AVIATION AND AIRSPACE

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Make an ascent in a balloon, airplane, glider, hang glider, kite, or any descent in or from any balloon, aircraft, airplane, glider, hang glider, kite, parachute, or any other planned aviation activity without written permission of the Director or their designate. Any descent other than one caused by mechanical or structural failure of the aircraft or any of its parts shall be deemed to have been made voluntarily. This list of planned aviation activities is not exhaustive and is meant to encompass all manned aviation activities.

SECTION 2. PERSONAL WATERCRAFT

- A. All designated Park District waterways will be signed "Boating by Permit Only." Permit applications can be obtained at any Park District facility, or downloaded from www.oswegolandparkdistrict.org.
- B. Designated Park District waterways for boating include Briarcliff Park, Whispering Woods Park, and Bartlett Prairie/Wetland (Lakeview). No boating allowed at Augusta Lake, Winrock Park, or Chesterfield Park.
- C. Allowable watercraft that may be used in District –approved waterways shall be limited to seaworthy craft of the following solid types: canoes, rowboats, kayaks,

sailboats, and paddleboats up to seventeen (17) feet in length. All other craft prohibited by this Ordinance.

- D. It shall be prohibited to use or operate watercraft on any lagoon, pond, or body of water owned or controlled by the District unless under the direct supervision of an adult 18 years of age or older. All occupants must conform with requirements at all times for use of a United States Coast Guard approved personal flotation device. Swimming, diving from, and horseplay on watercraft is hereby prohibited. Alcoholic beverages on watercraft are prohibited.
- E. Where allowed by Permit, Watercraft shall not have any electrical or motor driven propellants, and shall be operated in a safe manner in accordance with restrictions as may be set forth in such Permit.
- F. No Watercraft may be moored or beached upon Park District land unless expressly stated by Permit.
- G. The District shall not provide supervision at any lakes or other bodies of water. Capsizing the boat, whether it be accidental or deliberate, will be considered an unsafe boating operation.
- H. Use of watercraft on district waterways is allowed from Dawn to Dusk only, unless otherwise authorized by the Director.

SECTION 3. SWIMMING

No swimming, wading, or water bathing shall be allowed in the lakes, rivers, or other water of the Park District, except for the Civic Center Aquatic Park and Winrock Pool, unless authorized by the Director or their designate.

SECTION 4. WINTER SPORTS

- A. Ice skating. Skate or slide on any natural or man-made bodies of water, except those Areas designated for such purpose and then only in compliance with the following Rules and Regulations:
 - 1. Skaters are required to check the flag system before skating: Red Flag – Closed, Green Flag – Open.
 - 2. Skaters must stay in the cleared and/or designated area. Skating is not permitted outside these areas.
 - 3. The ice rink will be closed when standing water is present.
 - 4. Sleds are not allowed on the ice rink.
- B. Sledding/Snowboarding. Sled, slide or toboggan in any Areas except those designated for such purposes, and then only upon proper snow cover or as other environmental conditions allow and as allowed by posted notice from the Director or their designate.
- C. Skiing. Downhill ski in any Park at any time. Cross-country skiing is allowed in any Park Area not otherwise restricted by the Director or their designate.
- D. Ice Fishing is permitted at Briarcliff Lake by checking the flag system as mentioned in Section 4, Paragraph A, Number 1. Ice fishing is not permitted within 100 feet of the skating area.
- E. Snowmobiling. Ride or operate any snowmobile or other self-propelled Vehicle designed for travel on snow-covered ground at any time in any Park, unless authorized to do so by the Director or their designate.

- F. Other Vehicles. Bring onto or operate upon any frozen waters in any Park, any iceboat or other wind-driven device at any time.

SECTION 5. POWER MODELS, TOYS AND MODEL ROCKETRY

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Start, ignite, fly, or use any fuel-powered model, aircraft or rocket or like-powered toy or model in any Park Areas except in Areas designated by the Director or their designate for such use and only in accordance with such rules, regulations and restrictions promulgated and posted by the Director or their designate.
- B. Model boats and cars shall be Permitted only in non-pedestrian or otherwise non-restricted Areas and cannot be powered by any combustible fuel engine.

SECTION 6. EQUESTRIAN USE

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Bring into, ride upon, unload or use any horse or pony in any Park except in designated areas.

SECTION 7. FIELD AND TEAM SPORTS

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Play or engage in any team sport or game such as, but not limited to, baseball, football, soccer, volleyball, horseshoes, or softball, except in those Park Areas designated for use as athletic fields, and only in such a manner as to not interfere with other Persons using said athletic Areas, and under such Rules and Regulations as may be prescribed by the Director or their designate.
- B. Use lighted athletic fields past the hours as following: No inning can be started after 9:45 pm. Lights out at 10:00 pm.

SECTION 8. GOLFING

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Possess, swing, or make use of any golf club to hit golf balls within or into any Park in such a manner as to put those persons who are occupying any Park at risk of injury. To possess, swing or make use of any golf club and hit golf balls within or into any Park is considered a hazardous recreational activity as defined in Chapter V, Section 1, Paragraph F, and therefore prohibited where there is the possibility that such an activity could endanger those not participating.

SECTION 9. BICYCLES, ROLLERBLADES AND SKATEBOARDS

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Ride a bicycle, roller blade, or skateboard on any path, trail, roadway, athletic field, spectator Area, public Areas, or other Area designated and posted by the District or Director or their designate as prohibiting bicycles, roller blades, or combinations of the above. Bicycles, roller blades and skateboards may only be used on designated bike trails and skate park.
- B. Carry another Person on the handlebars, frame, and fender or so ride a bicycle except on a suitable seat attached thereto for such a purpose, or operate a bicycle in a reckless manner to endanger pedestrians, the rider, or riders thereon.

- C. Park or leave unattended any bicycle so to impede, travel upon or block any pedestrian or vehicular traffic or access way in any Park.
- D. Fail to ride a bicycle on the right hand side of any road, trail or path as conditions shall permit.
- E. Ride a bicycle on any path or trail more than two (2) abreast or on any roadway or road used by the public for regular Motor Vehicle access in any other manner than single file.
- F. Operate a bicycle, roller blades, skateboard, or other non-Motorized Vehicle in a way that would endanger the operator or any Park user or Employee.
- G. Roller skate or roller blade in or on any facility that is posted as prohibiting roller skating or roller-blading.

SECTION 10. FISHING

Fishing shall be permitted in District ponds, watercourses and other waters in accordance with applicable state law or as restricted by the Director or their designate. All District ponds, watercourses and other waters are catch and release.

SECTION 11. CAMPING AND SLEEPING IN PARKS

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Camp within any Park except in Areas as may from time to time be designated by the Board or upon written approval of the Director or their designate.
- B. Sleep in any Park between Dusk and sunrise the following day, except in designated camping Areas with a Permit from the Director or their designate.

SECTION 12. PICNICS AND PARK RESERVATIONS

No person shall upon or in connection with any Property of the District:

- A. Picnic in any Area that is not designated for picnics during the regular hours of the Park.
- B. Use the Area in any Park being used by a Group having a valid Park Reservation Permit, except with permission of the Group.
- C. Fail to produce or display any Permit or pass required in order to engage in any activity on District Property, upon request of any authorized Person who shall desire to inspect the same for the purpose of enforcing compliance with any ordinance or rule of the District.

CHAPTER VIII – ENFORCEMENT

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY OF OTHER AGENCIES OR PERSONS

- A. The Police Departments of Oswego, Montgomery, Aurora, Plainfield, Kendall and Will County have the power and are authorized to arrest or eject from any Park or Facility any Person found in the act of violating any Ordinance of the District, Ordinance of the applicable municipality or county, or laws of the State of Illinois.
- B. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to prevent other law enforcement officials from carrying out their duties in accordance with applicable law within the District and its Parks.

- C. The District may appoint and assign Park Patrol officers to supervise and enforce Park regulations and Ordinances in the Parks.

SECTION 2. FINES AND PENALTIES

- A. For each violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance or for each day that a violation continues, a fine shall be imposed upon the violator being found guilty thereof by a court of competent jurisdiction, in an amount of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$350.00 and court costs. Restitution may be required by the court or local police jurisdictions in appropriate cases. The Fine and Penalty Schedule is attached as Exhibit “A”.
- B. In the case of improper Motorized Vehicle operation, the District may impound the Motorized Vehicle for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, at which time said Motorized Vehicle may be claimed by the owner for a fee of not less than \$500.00.

SECTION 3. RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Director or their designate may from time to time, promulgate Rules and Regulations governing the use of the various Areas, Facilities, devices, and Vehicles within the Parks, and such Rules and Regulations shall become binding and effective upon their being approved by the Park Board of Commissioners and posted at the entrance to the Facility or Areas governed by them and shall be enforced with the same force and effect as the other provisions of this Ordinance.

CHAPTER IX – MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 1. CONSTRUCTION AND SCOPE

In the interpretation of this Ordinance affecting Parks, its provisions shall be constructed as follows:

- A. Any term in the singular shall include the plural.
- B. Any term in the masculine shall include the feminine and neuter.
- C. Any requirement or provisions of this Ordinance relating to any act shall respectively extend to and include the causing, procuring, aiding, or abetting, directly or indirectly, of such act.
- D. No provision hereof shall make unlawful any act necessarily performed by any officer or Employee of the District in line of duty or work as such or by any Person, his agents, or Employees, in the proper and necessary execution of the terms of any agreement with the Board, except when such act endangers or encroaches upon the rights of others as regulated by the laws of the Village of Oswego, City of Plainfield, Aurora, Montgomery, County of Will, Kendall, and/or the State of Illinois.

SECTION 2. CONFLICT

All District Ordinances and parts of Ordinances and all Regulations and Orders, or any parts thereof, in conflict with this ordinance or any parts thereof, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. ENACTMENT

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication, as by Statute in such cases made and provided.

SECTION 4. CAPTIONS AND HEADINGS

The captions and headings used herein are for convenience only and do not define or limit the contents of each paragraph.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be severable, and the invalidity or unenforceability of any provisions shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the other provisions hereof.

ORDINANCE FINE AND PENALTY SCHEDULE

Note: All fines are doubled for repeat fines within a six-month period.

Chapter II

Section A:	Violation of hours of operation (Dusk till Dawn)	\$100
Section B:	Violation of closed area	\$100

Chapter III Section A-E

\$100

Chapter IV Section 1

Paragraph A:	Unlicensed Motor Vehicle in Park	\$150
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Chapter IV Section 2

Paragraph A:	Operation of Vehicle other than roadway or parking	\$150
Paragraph B:	Operation of Unlicensed Vehicle on Roads	\$150
Paragraph C:	Operation of Vehicle in closed area	\$150
Paragraph D:	Leaving Vehicle in Park after hours	\$100

Chapter IV Section 3

Paragraph A:	Parking anywhere except areas designated	\$85
Paragraph B:	Parking overnight	\$85
Paragraph C:	Blocking roadway, gate, driveway, sidewalk, etc.	\$85
Paragraph D:	Parking on turf, meadow, field, etc.	\$100
Paragraph E:	Loitering within parking area	\$100
Paragraph F:	Parking in handicapped space without authority	\$150

Chapter IV Section 4

Paragraph A:	Reckless Driving	\$150
Paragraph B:	Driving to interfere with use of roadway	\$150
Paragraph C:	Loud vehicle (muffler)	\$150
Paragraph D:	Disobeying Traffic Control Device	\$150
Paragraph E:	Spinning, squealing, or screeching of tires	\$150
Paragraph F:	Driving in closed area	\$150

Chapter V Section 1

Paragraph A:	Destruction of Property	\$150
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Paragraph B:	Destruction or removal of signs	\$150
Paragraph C:	Placing Park Property in a waterway	\$150
Paragraph D:	Trespass to property or structure	\$150
Paragraph E:	Damage to Park District Vehicle, equipment or facility	\$150
Paragraph F:	Dumping	\$150
Paragraph G:	Occupy or inhabit any Park Structure	\$150
Paragraph H:	Misuse of refuse container (hot coals)	\$150
Paragraph I:	Removing items from recycling receptacle	\$100

Chapter V Section 2

Paragraph A:	Damage to Plant, Tree, etc.	\$150
Paragraph B:	Removal of Landscaping Material	\$150
Paragraph C:	Hunting or attempting to hunt on Park Property	\$100
Paragraph D:	Fishing in unauthorized Area	\$100
Paragraph E:	Depositing wildlife or plant life on Park Property	\$100
Paragraph F:	Use of Pesticide in Park Property	\$100
Paragraph G:	Attracting wildlife into Park Property	\$100
Paragraph H:	Routing water onto Park Property	\$100
Paragraph I:	Illegal Dumping	\$100

Chapter VI Section 1

Paragraph A:	Disorderly Conduct	\$150
Paragraph B:	Assault	\$150
Paragraph C:	Battery	\$150
Paragraph D:	Begging	\$100
Paragraph E:	Loitering	\$100
Paragraph F:	Hazardous Recreational Activity	\$100
Paragraph G:	Impersonation of Park Official	\$150

Chapter VI Section 2

Paragraph A:	Public Indecency (sexual conduct)	\$150
Paragraph B:	Public Indecency (nudity)	\$150

Chapter VI Section 3

Paragraph A:	Selling or soliciting	\$100
Paragraph B:	Posting signs or distributing material	\$100

Chapter VI Section 4

Paragraph A:	Gambling	\$100
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Chapter VI Section 5

Paragraph A:	Possession of dangerous weapon/discharging	\$150
Paragraph B:	Fireworks, etc.	\$150

Chapter VI Section 6		
Paragraph A:	Facility restricted by sex	\$100
Chapter VI Section 7		
Paragraph A:	Unlawful Construction	\$100
Chapter VI Section 8		
Paragraph A:	Blocking use/detriment of appearance with merchandise	\$100
Paragraph B:	Obstructing use of Park by Threat or Force	\$100
Chapter VI Section 9		
Paragraph A:	Under the influence of alcohol or drugs/Possess or sell	\$200
Paragraph B:	Smoking where prohibited	\$25
Chapter VI Section 10		
Paragraph A:	Animal off leash	\$100
Paragraph B:	Allowing animal to run loose	\$100
Paragraph C:	Cruelty/Neglect to animal	\$100
Paragraph D:	Horses or beasts of burden without permit	\$100
Paragraph E:	Predator animal not confined or leashed	\$100
Paragraph H:	Animals in Park District Buildings	\$100
Chapter VI Section 11		
Paragraph A:	Gathering without permit	\$100
Chapter VII Section 1		
Paragraph A:	Manned aircraft prohibited	\$100
Chapter VII Section 2		
Paragraph A:	Watercraft prohibited	\$100
Paragraph B:	Motorized watercraft prohibited	\$100
Paragraph C:	Moored or beached watercraft prohibited	\$100
Chapter VII Section 3		
Paragraph A:	Swimming where prohibited	\$100
Chapter VII Section 4		
Paragraph A:	Ice Skating where prohibited	\$100
Paragraph B:	Sledding/Snowboarding where prohibited	\$100
Paragraph C:	Downhill Skiing Prohibited	\$100
Paragraph D:	Ice Fishing Prohibited	\$100
Paragraph E:	Snowmobiles prohibited	\$100
Paragraph F:	Wind driven device on frozen water	\$100
Chapter VII Section 5		
Paragraph A:	Model aircraft prohibited	\$50

Paragraph B:	Model boats and cars prohibited in pedestrian area	\$50
Chapter VII Section 6		
Paragraph A:	Horseback riding prohibited	\$50
Chapter VII Section 7		
Paragraph A:	Sports not in designated Areas or interfering with others	\$50
Paragraph B:	Using lighted field after hours (after 10:00 pm)	\$50
Chapter VII Section 8		
Paragraph A:	Golfing prohibited	\$50
Chapter VII Section 9		
Paragraph A:	Ride bicycle, roller blade, skateboard not on designated path	\$50
Paragraph B:	Passengers on bicycle/Reckless operation	\$50
Paragraph C:	Unattended Bicycle blocking path traffic	\$50
Paragraph D:	Failure to ride to right	\$50
Paragraph E:	Riding more than single file on path	\$50
Paragraph F:	Reckless operation of bicycle, roller blades or skateboard	\$50
Paragraph G:	Skateboarding, roller blading where prohibited by sign	\$50
Chapter VII Section 10		
Paragraph A:	Fishing where prohibited	\$50
Chapter VII Section 11		
Paragraph A:	Camping without permit	\$50
Paragraph B:	Camping overnight without permit	\$50
Chapter VII Section 12		
Paragraph A:	Picnic in Area not designated for picnic	\$50
Paragraph B:	Use of Area when other group has valid permit	\$50
Chapter VIII Section 2		
Paragraph A:	For each violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance or for each day that a violation continues, a fine shall be imposed upon the violator being found guilty thereof by a court of competent jurisdiction, in an amount of not less than \$50 nor more than \$350 and court costs. Restitution may be required by the court of local police jurisdictions in appropriate cases. The Fine and Penalty Schedule is attached as Exhibit "A".	
Paragraph B:	In the case of improper Motorized Vehicle operation, the District may impound the Motorized Vehicle for a period not to exceed (thirty) 30 days, at which time said Motorized Vehicle may be claimed by the owner for a fee of not less than \$500 . The District will not be responsible for the Motorized Vehicle or its contents during the course of impoundment.	