

PARADISE RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
Facility Rules and Regulations

RULES AND REGULATIONS

This Policy shall govern all persons entering upon and/or using the parks, playgrounds, and other facilities of the Paradise Recreation and Park District [PRPD] and shall apply to all areas of such facilities, unless otherwise specifically provided herein.

AUTHORITY; ENFORCEMENT

Pursuant to the authority granted it under California Public Resources Code section 5782.21, PRPD adopts the following rules and regulations (singularly, a “Regulation” and collectively, the “Regulations”) which apply to all parks, playgrounds, and other facilities owned or under the control of PRPD (singularly, a “Facility” and collectively, the “Facilities”). If one or more of the Regulations are deemed invalid, the remaining Regulations are to remain in effect. Where any of the Regulations are amended or repealed, acts and omissions in violation of the Regulation occurring prior to such amendment or repeal may be prosecuted as though such Regulation had not been so amended or repealed. Specific Regulations for a Facility cannot preclude the application of general Regulations unless expressly so indicated. The Regulations shall govern all persons using any of the Facilities. The privilege of any person to use any Facility is hereby expressly conditioned upon compliance by that person with all applicable federal, state or local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, including these Regulations.

In addition to all other penalties prescribed by law, violation of any applicable law, ordinance, rule or regulation of any federal, state or local governing entity or of any of these Regulations shall subject the violator to rejection from the Facility in which the violation occurs. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to authorize or to prohibit any acts which are expressly prohibited or authorized by law of the United States, statute of the State of California or by ordinance of a governmental subdivision thereof with concurrent jurisdiction over any Facility or Facilities.

These Regulations shall not apply to or restrict any officer or employee of PRPD, the Town of Paradise, County of Butte, or of any other governmental agency while acting in the performance of any lawful duty imposed upon such officer or agency by any lawful authority.

The District Manager of PRPD shall be primarily responsible for administering these Regulations as set forth by the Board of Directors. The duties of the District Manager or his/her designee shall include, but not be limited to, entering into written agreements authorizing the use of the Facilities in the manner provided for in these Regulations, the granting of any other authorization or permission required in these Regulations, and the supervision of enforcement of these Regulations.

Any person who interferes with any PRPD employee in the performance of his or her duties, or who by his or her conduct interferes with the use of any Facility by any other person, or who has committed any public offence within any Facility, shall leave the Facility immediately upon request by any PRPD employee. PRPD employees may exclude members of the general public or individuals or groups from Facilities or portions thereof where such exclusion is necessary to protect public property or the public health, safety or welfare. A person who has been requested to leave a Facility pursuant to this section shall not return or re-enter the Facility for seventy-two (72) hours.

REGULATIONS

The Regulations are as follows:

In addition to PRPD employees, California Highway Patrol, County of Butte Sheriff Deputies, or police officers of the Town of Paradise shall have authorization to enforce these Regulations.

1. Resisting PRPD employees, County of Butte Sheriff Deputies or Town of Paradise Police Officers in the performance of their duties.

No person shall resist, delay, or obstruct a PRPD employee, California Highway Patrol, County of Butte Sheriff Deputies, or a Town of Paradise Police Officers in the discharge or attempt to discharge any duty of the office or when active within the scope of employment in any Facility.

2. Violations

A violation of any of these Regulations shall be an infraction punishable by a fine in the manner provided for by the Town of Paradise, the County of Butte, and the Public Resources Code sections 5786.17 (a) and (b). To facilitate enforcement of certain of these Regulations by California Highway Patrol, Town of Paradise Police Officers and Butte County Sheriff's Deputies. Any violation of the Paradise Municipal Code for which there is a corresponding Regulation occurring at or in a Facility shall constitute a violation of the corresponding Regulation.

3. DEFINITIONS

Unless the contrary is stated or clearly appears from the context, the following definitions shall govern the construction of the works and phrases used in these Regulations.

- A. Alcoholic Beverages. The term “alcoholic beverages” shall include alcohol, spirits, liquor, wine, beer, and every liquid or solid containing alcohol, spirits, liquor, wine or beer and which contains ½ of 1% or more of alcohol by volume and which is fit for beverage purposes either alone or when diluted, mixed, or combined with other substances.
- B. Intoxicated. The meaning of “intoxicated” shall include the following: A person is said to suffer from alcohol intoxication when the quantity of alcohol the person consumes exceeds the individual’s tolerance for alcohol and produces behavioral or physical abnormalities. In other words, the person’s mental and physical abilities are impaired.
- C. Facility or Facilities. The terms “Facility” and “Facilities” shall include any and all of PRPD’s parks, playgrounds, and other Facilities including but not limited to:
- Bille Park
 - Aquatic Park
 - Moore Road Park
 - Noble Park
 - Oak Creek Park
 - Lakeridge Park
 - Coutolenc Park
 - Drendel Circle Property
 - Crain Park
 - Terry Ashe Recreation Center
- D. District. The word “District” or PRPD shall mean the Paradise Recreation and Park District.

4. RULES FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

4.1 Alcoholic beverages – Manufacture and sale

No person shall make or, unless expressly allowed to do so by written agreement with PRPD, sell or distribute alcoholic beverages of any kind or variety in/on any Facility.

4.2 Alcoholic beverages – Possession or Consumption

Any and all possession of alcoholic beverages shall be in strict compliance with all federal, state, and local laws and ordinances applicable thereto. No intoxicated person shall enter, be or remain in any park or facility, and any such person so found in a park or facility shall be either arrested or ejected from the premises.

4.3 Alcoholic beverages – Community Parks

The consumption of alcoholic beverages at Oak Creek Park and Drendel Circle Park is strictly prohibited. At Terry Ashe Recreation Center, Coutolenc Park, Lakeridge Park, Noble Park, Crain Park, Bille Park, Aquatic Park and Moore Road Park it is unlawful to possess or consume alcoholic beverages at any time unless permitted by written agreement with the District.

4.4 Alcoholic beverages – Special Purpose Facilities

It is unlawful to possess or consume alcoholic beverages in any Special Purpose Facility at any time unless permitted by written agreement with the District.

4.5 Alcoholic beverages – Community Centers

It is unlawful to possess or consume alcoholic beverages at any time in any Community Center unless permitted by written agreement with the District.

5. RULES FOR BICYCLES AND SKATEBOARDS

5.1 Bicycles – Restrictions on Use

Bicycle use in a Park shall be permitted unless expressly prohibited by PRPD by signage posted at the Facility or at that portion of the Facility at which bicycle use is to be prohibited. No bicycle use shall be permitted whenever the District administration determines that damage to the Facility is likely or an unsafe condition is present and signage to this effect will be posted by PRPD.

5.2 Bicycles – Reckless Operation – Prohibited

No person shall operate a bicycle within a Facility in a reckless or unsafe manner so as to endanger the safety and well-being of, or interfere with the use, safety and enjoyment of the Facility by other users.

5.3 Skateboards

Skateboards are not allowed on Park Facilities unless otherwise posted or approved by PRPD.

Bicycle and skateboard use is allowed for children under the age of six (6) years old with adult supervision on the Terry Ashe Recreation Center concrete play area, provided that the use is safe and restricted to the basketball court area only. Bicycle and skateboard use must be discontinued if the courts are being used for basketball or other approved usages.

6. RULES FOR DOGS

6.1 Dogs – Definitions

- A. “Effective Control” means that the dog is trained to respond to the owner or handler, who is capable of exercising such control, so that the dog is not allowed to commit any nuisance as defined in Paradise Municipal Code Section 7.08.130 and Butte County Code Chapter 4, Article 1.
- B. “Leash” means a restraint not exceeding six (6) feet in length. Retractable leashes that can extend beyond six (6) feet are not allowed in any Facility.
- C. “Special Use Dog” means any guide dog, signal dog, service dog, or search and rescue dog, trained or being trained, to work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including, but not limited to, guiding individuals with impaired vision, alerting individuals with impaired hearing to intruders or sounds, providing minimal protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, or fetching dropped items, or trained, or being trained, to do work or perform tasks for the purpose of search, rescue, and disaster relief in accordance with the standards of the State Office of Emergency or local disaster agencies.

6.2 Dogs – License Requirements

Any dog brought to a Facility must be licensed by the jurisdiction in which the owner resides and be fully inoculated. At all times, while at a facility, dog owners or handlers shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations, applicable to ownership and control of their dogs.

6.3 Dogs – Leash Requirements

Unless occurring within a designated dog park or allowed pursuant to a written agreement with PRPD in connection with an event taking place therein, no person shall take or allow any dog into any Facility unless the dog is kept and maintained on a leash not exceeding six (6) feet in length under the effective control of its owner or handler. This privilege shall not apply in areas posted with signs prohibiting dogs or in areas that dogs are otherwise prohibited.

6.4 Dogs – Leash Requirements – Exception – Dog Exercise Areas

A dog may be off-leash in any area of any Facility designated “Dog Park” if the dog is under the effective control of its owner or handler.

6.5 Dogs – Leash Requirements – Exception – Special Dog Use

- A. With written permission, Special Use Dog handlers shall be permitted to conduct off-leash training of Special Use Dogs in any Facility where dogs are not prohibited, so long as such dogs are under the effective control of their handlers at all times.
- B. During any off-leash training, dog handlers and their dogs shall wear visible identification indicating that the dog is being trained as a special use dog.

6.6 Dogs – Prohibited Areas

No person shall allow any dog owned by or under control of such person to go into:

- 1. Any swimming pool or swimming area.
- 2. Any restroom or indoor Facility.
- 3. The prohibitions in this section do not apply to Special Use Dogs.

7. REGULATIONS FOR HEALTH, SAFETY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

7.1 Destruction, injury, cutting or taking of any natural condition of the landscape - Prohibited

No person shall destroy, injure, cut, or take any natural condition or part of the landscape, including, but not limited to, flowers, shrubbery, plants, vines, trees, grass, wood, or rocks, in or from any Facility except with written permission of the District.

8. Equestrian use – Prohibitions

Equestrian use shall be permitted only at designated Facilities or the portion thereof designated for equestrian use. Equestrians shall not ride in a reckless or unsafe manner within a Facility.

9. Camping – Prohibited – Exception – Permit Required

No person or group of persons shall camp overnight or remain or stay overnight within any Facility unless such overnight camping or stay is permitted by written agreement or sponsored by the District.

10. Campfires – Restrictions – Permit required for open fires at other than regularly established places

Except as permitted by written agreement with PRPD, it is unlawful to make any campfire or any fire in any Facility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, barbecue fires are

permitted in designated picnic areas only within the confined designated barbecues located in such picnic areas. Notwithstanding the foregoing, personal propane barbecue devices may be used in such designated picnic areas. All other personal barbecue devices are strictly prohibited unless permitted by written agreement with the District. All barbecue devices must be from manufactured sources, in good working condition, and used only for their intended uses.

11. Rubbish and Garbage – Disposition in established receptacles required – Prohibited disposition

No person shall throw, dump, or otherwise place or cause to be placed, or leave, either directly or indirectly, any rubbish, garbage, sewage or waste matter, or any trash or refuse of any kind or character, in any Facility, other than in receptacles established and maintained for such purposes. No person shall bring, or cause to be brought, any rubbish, garbage, sewage, waste matter, trash or refuse of any kind into any Facility for the purpose of disposing of same therein either in the receptacles described herein or at any other place.

12. Feeding of Animals

- A. Except as provided in Subsection B below, no person shall feed or cause the feeding of any wild or domestic animals within a Facility. No person shall leave food or containers of food for the purpose of feeding any animals within a Facility.
- B. Unless otherwise prohibited by this section, feeding of a domestic animal by owner or handler, while under the owner or handler's control, is permitted.

13. Unreasonable Noises – Prohibited - Exception

No person shall cause a loud or excessive noise within a Facility which exceeds the decibel level allowed under local ordinance or otherwise unreasonably disturbs the peace and quiet of any neighborhood, the quiet enjoyment of property, or of any reasonable person of normal sensitivity residing or working in the area, unless such noise is emanating from an event permitted by written agreement with the District, in which case the conditions of such permit to noise shall apply.

14. Signs

No person shall post a sign in a Facility or leave a sign unattended in a Facility unless the sign is posted or placed in the Facility in a manner as approved by PRPD.

Commercial Advertising – Prohibited

No person shall display or post any commercial advertising at a Facility.

Exception:

Commercial advertising is permitted when authorized by written agreement with the District. Such as, but not limited to, sponsorships, donations, and displays at special events.

15. Hunting – Prohibited – Exception – Permit Required

No person shall hunt or take any wildlife including, but not limited to, wild game, animals, birds, or eggs in any Facility except with written permission of the District, which permission shall be given solely for the protection of life or property or the preservation of wildlife. All applicable federal, state, or municipal statutes, regulations, or ordinances including, but not limited to, any Regulation now or hereafter adopted by the District shall have full force and effect in the Facilities.

16. Firearms or Other Projectile Weapon – Possession and Use – Prohibited – Exception

- A. No person shall take or discharge any firearm or other projectile weapon upon, through, across, or within any Facility unless permitted by written agreement with or allowed in a program sponsored by the District.
- B. All applicable federal, state, or municipal statutes, regulations, or ordinances related to firearms or other projectile weapons including, but not limited to, any Regulation now or hereafter adopted by PRPD shall have full force and effect in all Facilities.
- C. For the purposes of this section, “firearm or other projectile weapon” includes, but is not limited to, any pistol, revolver, rifle, gun, flare gun, paint ball gun, zip gun, spring gun, air gun, BB or pellet gun, rocket, rocket launcher, rocket propelled projectile launcher, slingshot, wrist rocket, bow and arrow, or cross bow, or compound bow designed to propel an arrow

17. Smoking - Prohibited

No person shall smoke cigars, pipes, cigarettes or any other smoking device or instrument or a functioning electronic operated device creating vapors or smoke from tobacco, nicotine, marijuana, any weed or plant, or other substance in any manner or any form at any park or District facility.

18. Fireworks - Prohibited

No person shall possess, sell or discharge any fireworks in any Facility.

19. Oversized Vehicle Parking

All oversized vehicles, excluding public safety vehicles, maintenance vehicles, and school vehicles or other vehicles as excepted below, must:

- Be able to fit in a designated parking space;
- Not take more than one parking space; and, not extend into the flow of traffic.

PRPD may grant exceptions to the foregoing where special circumstances exist where advance request therefore is made. Such exceptions shall be in writing and shall apply only to the Facility and the date and time specified therein.

20. Entering or using designated restoration areas - Prohibited

No person shall enter into or use a designated restoration area which has been signed and fenced as such within the boundaries of any Facility. For the purposes of this section, “designated restoration area” means an area within a Facility requiring special renovation or reconstruction in order to protect and/or restore the animal or plant life within it, or refurbish its natural terrain features, and which requires the exclusion of public use for an appropriate and necessary time period to accomplish such end.

21. Temporary Closing of Facility

When conditions so require for the preservation and protection of a Facility or a portion thereof or for the safety of persons using the Facility, the District Manager or his or her designee may close a Facility or portion thereof by posting signage indicating that the Facility or the affected portion thereof is closed. No person shall enter into or use such Facility or the affected portion thereof so long as it is closed.

22. Golfing and Tee Shots

No golfing or tee shots shall be allowed at or on any Facility.

23. Hours of Operations

- A. Parks are closed after dark until sunrise unless an activity or program is approved and authorized by PRPD. No person shall enter or remain in any park or playground while closed, unless permitted by written agreement with the District.
- B. Special Purpose Facilities shall be open during District activities or when permitted by written agreement with the District.
- C. Terry Ashe Recreation Center shall only be open during District activities, when permitted by written agreement with the District or when open to the public with District supervision.

24. SPECIFIC FACILITY REGULATIONS

In addition to the foregoing Regulations, PRPD may adopt Regulations specifically applicable to a Facility or Facilities and to all persons using such Facilities (singularly, a “Specific Regulation” and collectively, the “Specific Regulations”). Any and all such Specific Regulations shall be posted prominently at the Facilities or set forth in written rental policies attached to rental agreements entered between PRPD for the Facilities and all persons renting such. All persons renting or otherwise using the Facilities shall strictly comply therewith.

25. Lost and Found Policy

Lost, misplaced, or unattended items found in PRPD parks or facilities are turned into the District office and are kept for 14 days. If the items remain unclaimed after that period of time they are donated to a local charitable organization or more valuable items may be taken to the Police Department. The Paradise Recreation and Park District is not responsible for any lost or stolen items. Call 872-6393 or e-mail at prpd@sbcglobal.net to inquire about any lost items. Items of concern will be turned into the Police Department or disposed.

26. RESERVATIONS AND USE OF FACILITIES

26.1 Use of Facilities

Except for Facilities which have been reserved for use pursuant hereto and for the use of which is limited to the business and programs of the District or to the persons reserving them (each individually a “Reserved Facility” and collectively the “Reserved Facilities”), use of the Facilities shall be on a first come first serve basis. Exclusive use of a Facility or of a Reserved Facility shall be permitted only by reservation and written agreement with the District.

26.2 Reservation of Facilities

Certain Facilities and Reserved Facility may be reserved for use by written agreement with the District. Use of any Facility or Reserved Facility shall only be by reservation and written agreement with the District. Reservation and use shall be in strict compliance with all rules and regulations adopted from time to time by and the written agreement therefore entered with the District. Such reservation and use shall be conditioned upon satisfaction of all requirements set forth in any rental agreement for the Facility or Reserved Facility authorized by PRPD.

26.3 Special Conditions of Permits

The District Manager or his or her designee may condition the reservation and use of a Facility or a Reserved Facility on the applicant's compliance with reasonable requirements concerning the use of such Facility which are necessary to ensure that such use is carried out in a manner that will not threaten the health and safety of persons using such facility or damage such facility including, but not limited to, requirements concerning the following:

- A. Accommodations for the parking of vehicles used by those persons attending or participating in the event;
- B. Accommodations for pedestrian traffic in and around the site of the event;
- C. Inspections and approval by District personnel of structures and equipment to be used in the event to ensure that such structures have been safely constructed and that such equipment can be safely operated;
- D. Provision of electrical power to be utilized during the event;
- E. Provision of signage and barricades as may be necessary in order to avoid conflicts between persons participating in the event and other persons using park Facilities in and around the site of the event or which may be necessary to protect Facility landscaping or natural vegetation in and around site of the event;
- F. Provisions of monitors and security personnel as may be necessary to safely carry out the event;
- G. Access to the site of the event through park gates at times when such gates are normally closed in order to prepare for such event or to clean up and remove equipment and structures at the conclusion of the event;
- H. Overnight camping by persons engaged in preparing for the event or providing overnight security for equipment and structures utilized in such event;
- I. Provision and operation of first aid stations and/or sanitary facilities, including handicapped-accessible sanitary facilities;
- J. Provision and use of garbage containers, and the cleanup and restoration of the site of the event at the conclusion of such event;
- K. Use of sound amplification equipment during the course of the event; and
- L. Provision of a notice of permit conditions to event participants.

26.4 Revocation of Permission to Use

The District Manager or his or her designee may revoke the permission to use a Facility or a Reserved Facility at any time when he or she determines that such event is being conducted in violation of the terms and conditions of such use, or persons using such Facility have violated or threatened to violate any applicable law or regulation. In addition, the District Manager or his or her designee may revoke the permission to use a Facility or a Reserved Facility whenever he or she determines that there were grounds for denying such use in the first place which were discovered by the District Manager or his or her designee only after permission to use such Facilities was granted; provided, however that the District Manager or his or her designee shall not revoke such use unless and until he or she advises the applicant and/or the responsible persons of the grounds for such revocation and provides the applicant and/or responsible persons a reasonable opportunity to correct same.

26.5 Emergency Suspension of an Event

The District Manager, his or her designee, the Town of Paradise, County of Butte, or State of California police, fire or health officer or official may temporarily suspend use of any Facility or Reserved Facility for which permission was previously given in the manner provided above by this Policy whenever there is an emergency which requires such use to be temporarily suspended to protect public health or safety. Whenever such use is temporarily suspended for this reason, the applicant and all other persons using such Facility shall immediately comply with the suspending officer's instructions.

26.6 Interference with Use of Facilities

No person shall knowingly obstruct, impede, hamper or otherwise interfere with the lawful use of any Facility or with any person lawfully using a Facility.

26.7 Compliance by Applicant with Other Laws and Regulations

Permission granted by the District to use a Facility or Reserved Facility shall not release the applicant from the obligation of complying with all federal, state, or local law or ordinances applicable to the event or to its conduct.

27. Abandonment of Animals

No person shall abandon any animal at a park site, such as but not limited to, dogs, cats, fish, turtles, ducks, and geese.

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