



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

PARKS RECREATION & BEACHES

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR



General Rules and Regulations

Welcome. This beautiful public space is yours to enjoy for relaxation and recreation. Please respect others and keep our park clean.

The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of New Bedford, by virtue of its authority, has set forth the following rules, regulations and requirements.

Violation may result in

*permit being revoked *removal/trespass order from the park *potential fines

Any person constituting a public nuisance may be required to leave the premises.

- Park use is permitted between the hours of 5am and 10pm
- Climbing on any tree, statue, fence, railing or other inappropriate structure is strictly prohibited.
- 1. Vandalism is not acceptable, do not write, deface, defile or otherwise damage any building, bridge, fence, statue, fountain seat or any other structure in any park. Do not deface any notices posted by the Park Board.
- 2. No pets, whether leashed or unleashed, shall cause a disturbance, destruction or come within 100 feet of any active recreation area located in a City Park. A leash or chain shall not exceed six feet in length. A recreational area, for the purpose of these regulations, is defined as an athletic field to include baseball, softball, soccer, basketball, tennis, football, splash pads, and play equipment units including swings, slides, etc.. This regulation does not apply at Captain Jack Peterson Dog Park.
- 3. Do not cut, break, or otherwise injure trees, shrubs, or any part thereof, do not cut, pluck or otherwise remove any blossoms from any plant, flower, or tree without prior Parks Recreation & Beaches department permission.
- 4. It is strictly prohibited to carry or discharge firearms, firecrackers, or fireworks; to sell or offer for sale any goods or wares; to have possession of any instrument of gambling or play any games of chance; to make any fire; to have for sale or otherwise any intoxicating liquors or beverages; to utter profane, threatening, or abusive language, or to accost, follow, or annoy any other park visitor.
- 5. Permit holders are only to use those fields specifically designated on the permit. There may be another group following yours, so it is essential that the field is vacated by the scheduled ending time. The reservation is for field use only. Field permits are issued "AS IS": bases, goals, balls and other equipment are not included in the permit. There is no subletting of any field or facility in the City of New Bedford.
- 6. Motorized vehicles may not be driven in excess of 10 mph or parked on turf areas, sidewalks, service driveways, or emergency zones. ATV, motor scooters, and dirt bikes are

not allowed within any park, walking path or grass. Bicycles are allowed on regular roads and bike paths including ADA assisted devices.

7. All trash and recycling must be placed in proper receptacles. Dumping of residential trash in any park trash receptacles is not allowed and may result in a fine.
8. Do not take, disturb, or molest any bird or bird's nest, mammal, or any animal in the park.
9. Do not feed any wildlife at any park area or beach under the Park Board.
10. Do not lie or stand on any park seating, bench, or tables.
11. Unless permitted by the Park Board or Park Department you may not erect:
 - any booth
 - tent
 - stall
 - structure greater than 10x10

to hawk, peddle or distribute literature of any type. Structures with closed in sides are not allowed.

12. No food or drink on artificial turf field facilities.
13. No striking or hitting golf balls in any park or playground and no swinging golf clubs.
14. The use of metal detectors is not allowed on park property or beach property.
15. There is no alcohol or tobacco consumption allowed in any park or beach, including parking lots.
16. Full responsibility and financial liability for any property damage will be assumed by the violating party.