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TOWNSHIP OF OHIO  
ORDINANCE NO. 268

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OHIO, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING THE ATTACHED RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF THE OHIO TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK AND PARKLAND AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES RELATED THERETO,.

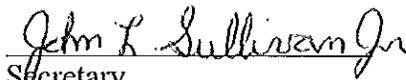
BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Ohio, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by and with the authority of the same:

1. The attached Rules and Regulations governing the use of the Ohio Township Community Parks and Parklands are hereby adopted. Further, it is ordained and enacted that any violations of the same shall be deemed as a summary offense, punishable by a fine of up to \$300.00, and/or up to 90 days incarceration.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 2005.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF OHIO

  
Secretary

  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

## Ohio Township Community Park Use of Parks and Parkland

### Rules and Regulations

The following rules and regulations govern the use of all Ohio Township Parks and Parkland:

1. Groups of 10 or more persons shall not use a rental facility for any purpose without first obtaining a permit from Ohio Township.
2. All parks and parkland of Ohio Township shall be open daily to the public between sunrise and sunset. No person, other than authorized employees of Ohio Township shall be in any park area from sunset to sunrise, unless participating in an approved event.
3. No person shall injure, deface, remove, cut, or damage any of the trees, plants, shrubs, turf, buildings, structures, or fixtures therein or any other property of Ohio Township located within a park area.
4. Equipment shall not be left in such a location as to inhibit the use of a playing field or create a safety hazard.
5. No person shall dispose of any litter on park grounds. Excess litter shall be removed by the user of the park.
6. No person shall injure, destroy, deface, or remove any notice, rule, or regulation posted at any place within any park area.
7. No person shall bring any alcoholic beverage into any park area either for his/her own use or for the use of any other persons. The only exception for use or possession of alcohol is stated within the signed rental agreement accompanied by an alcohol permit in conjunction with a rental facility.
8. Beverages in glass bottles are prohibited in park areas.
9. No motorized vehicles other than Ohio Township equipment, shall be permitted in the park other than in designated parking areas or roadways.
10. Gambling or games of chance, drunkenness, disorderly, or indecent conduct and profanity or offensive language is prohibited.
11. No person shall wash, clean, polish, grease, lubricate, or otherwise make repairs to any motor vehicle in any park area, except when emergency repairs of a minor nature may be made.
12. Playing fields shall not be used for contact sports such as football, rugby, or soccer when the ground is wet and the turf may be damaged.
13. Horseback riding is prohibited in any area of the park, including trails and roadways.
14. Persons holding picnics shall clean up and place all waste paper and other refuse in receptacles provided for that purpose.
15. Permits for the use of park buildings, shelters, fields, or areas are hereby required and may be obtained only by persons over 21 years of age.

16. Grass areas shall not be used for roadways, parking, or for other purposes, which may injure or destroy the turf or landscaping except when authorized by Ohio Township for special events.
17. Buildings, fences, fountains, statuary, benches, signs, or other structures shall not be damaged or defaced in any way.
18. Pets are NOT permitted in any park area.
19. Fires may not be built or allowed anywhere in the park other than in grilles or stoves provided for that purpose and must be extinguished before leaving. No person shall throw away or discard any lighted match, cigar, or cigarette in the park.
20. Peddlers, picnic, parties or any other person shall not sell or offer for sale any article or service for hire within the limits of any park or set-up therein any stand or booth for such purpose or distribute or display handbills, cards, or advertisements of any nature what-so-ever unless duly authorized to do so by written permission from Ohio Township.
21. Games, contests or sports are permitted only in areas designated for such use and in no case shall be used by permitted in areas where lawns or planting may be injured or where such games or contests may interfere with park regulations.
22. Moving of picnic tables or other park equipment is prohibited.
23. Activities of a nature not permitted by these regulations may be engaged in only by special permit issued by the Ohio Township Recreation Committee or Recreation Director upon written application therefore and under the conditions specified in such special permit.
24. Camping is not permitted in any area of the park, except by authorized permit.
25. Charging a fee for teaching skills and/or giving instructions in any of the Ohio Township parks, play centers or athletic fields by individuals and/or groups may be undertaken after obtaining a permit from Ohio Township for that purpose.
26. Archery and firearms of any nature including air guns, and projectile instruments of any type including bb guns and paint ball guns are prohibited from use within any park area.
27. Anyone using the parks or parkland shall observe all posted parking restrictions. Any activity, which generates parking in excess of that available at the site, must make alternate parking/busing/carpooling arrangements. Ohio Township reserves the right to preclude the simultaneous use of park facilities when it is felt that such dual use might create parking or other problems. Groups having a valid use permit shall have priority over any group not having a permit.
28. It is prohibited to throw, discharge, or otherwise place in the water of any fountain, pond, lake, stream, or other body of water in or adjacent to any Ohio Township park. This also applies to any tributary, stream, storm sewer, or drainage flowing into such waters, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will or may result in the pollution of said water.
29. It is prohibited to bring in or dump, deposit or leave any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, boxes, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage, refuse, or other trash on any park land.
30. Permits to reserve Ohio Township Recreational Facilities will be issued on a first-come first-serve basis. Applications must be made on forms provided by Ohio Township. The issuance of any such permit is conditioned upon strict adherence to these Rules and Regulations and any violation hereof shall be cause for revoking the permit. Ohio Township also reserves the right to refuse to issue a permit or to revoke a permit without cause.

31. Changes to the park of any type including but not limited to construction, installation, painting, or landscaping must be approved by the Ohio Township Recreation Committee. Storage for athletic equipment or any such related supplies will be prohibited for any area of the park. A written request and drawing detailing the change must be submitted.
32. The use of all public address systems, radios, stereos and any other sound amplification device shall be used in a manner consistent with Ohio Township's Noise Ordinance 210 except for approved events.
33. Any person, partnership, or corporation violating any provision on these Rules and Regulations shall be deemed as a summary offense, punishable by a fine of up to \$300.00, and / or up to 90 days incarceration.