

# PARK RULES

## JOSEPHINE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2010-3

Ordinance No. 2010-3 enacted by the Josephine County Board of Commissioners provides, in part:

- 9.01 **GENERAL:** It is unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts in any park:
- A. To fail to pay any fees, deposits, rentals or costs assessed for occupation or rental of any park or park facilities;
  - B. To fail to secure a permit or to violate the terms of any permit required by this Ordinance;
  - C. To disregard, deface, remove, tamper or damage any sign or notice posted or erected by the Parks Program;
  - D. To remain in or enter upon any park when it is not open or after having been ordered to leave by the Park Director or designee;
  - E. To cause a disturbance to other park patrons or to make excessive noise, or to act in a boisterous, threatening or unruly manner.
- 9.02 **VEHICLES:** It is unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts in any park:
- A. To park or leave any motor vehicle in any place other than a designated parking area;
  - B. To operate or ride any motor vehicle in or upon any area other than a roadway or area specifically designated for the operation of such vehicles;
  - C. To park or leave unattended any motor vehicle in a park for more than twelve (12) hours without written permission of the Director or Director's designee;
  - D. In areas where the operation of off-road vehicles or motorcycles is permitted, to operate a vehicle that is not equipped with an approved spark arrestor;
  - E. To operate any motor vehicle at a speed in excess of the posted speed limit, or at a speed in excess of that which is reasonable and safe under the circumstances existing at the time. The speed limit in Josephine County parks shall be ten (10) miles per hour (mph) unless posted otherwise.
- 9.03 **FIRES:** It is unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts in any park:
- A. To build, light, start, or maintain a fire in any park except in stoves, fire pits or fireplaces specifically designated for such use when permitted;
  - B. To leave a fire unattended at any time, or to fail to completely and safely extinguish a fire;
  - C. To build or maintain a fire that constitutes a hazard to any surrounding grounds, buildings, or facilities;
  - D. To throw, deposit, carry or allow any burning material, including sparks and embers, outside a stove, fire pit or fireplace.
- 9.04 **ANIMALS:** It is unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts in any park:
- A. To allow an animal to run unrestrained or on a leash that is more than six (6) feet long;
  - B. To leave a dog unattended or uncontrolled in any park designated as a dog park;
  - C. To allow any large animal, including but not limited to horses, mules, donkeys, and llamas, in any park unless the area is specifically posted to allow such animals;
  - D. To allow any animal to threaten, molest, annoy, attack, or otherwise alarm any person;
  - E. To fail to clean up after an animal, or to fail to immediately remove animal waste and dispose of it in refuse containers or garbage cans;
  - F. To tie or tether any animal to any tree, plant, shrub or bush, or to any building or structure;
  - G. To leave an animal unattended, whether in a vehicle or otherwise;
  - H. To allow any animal, other than a service animal, to enter or remain in any building in any park;
  - I. To allow pets or animals to chase or attack wildlife.
- 9.05 **WEAPONS, FIREWORKS AND EXPLOSIVES:** It is unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts in any park:
- A. To discharge any firearm, pellet gun, slingshot, bow and arrow, crossbow, or any other device that launches any type of missile or that may cause injury to persons or damage to

- property;
- B. To possess or use any type of firecracker, firework or other type of explosive device without the prior written permission of the Director or Director's designee;
- C. To hunt, trap, chase, harass, or in any other way molest or annoy wildlife in any park.

9.06 **CAMPING:** It is unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts in any park:

- A. To camp overnight in any area not designated for overnight camping;
- B. To deposit, leave, scatter, or dump garbage, trash, or other waste material in or upon any park except in receptacles designated for that purpose; or to bring garbage, trash, or waste into the park and dump it in or upon any park or park receptacle.
- C. To fail to maintain a campsite in a clean and sanitary condition;
- D. To fail to clean and vacate a campsite by 12:00 noon on the day of departure;
- E. To have more than one (1) camping vehicle in any campsite area, except for a vehicle that arrives at the park legally towed by a recreational vehicle;
- F. To have more than six (6) persons occupying a campsite without permission from the Director or Director's designee;
- G. To occupy a campsite under the age of eighteen (18) years without being accompanied by an adult;
- H. To disturb other campers with noise between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.;
- I. To fail to turn off portable generators by 8:00 p.m.

9.07 **USE OF FACILITIES:** It is unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts in any park:

- A. To enter or remain in a park while under the influence of an intoxicant;
- B. To enter or remain in a park after closing time, except for permitted campers;
- C. To conduct vending, advertising, concessions, or any other solicitation or offer of goods or services in a park without a written contract with the Josephine County Parks Program;
- D. To distribute, publish or post any flyers, bulletins or notices without the prior permission of the Director or Director's designee;
- E. To use any stream, creek, river or lake for the washing or rinsing of any object;
- F. To deposit any harmful, objectionable or polluting material in any river, lake, stream or creek, or on the grounds or in any facility of any park;
- G. To damage or deface any part of a park, including the grounds, buildings, fixtures, equipment, plants and facilities; to pick flowers or remove any plants or shrubbery or any parts thereof from parks; to dig or otherwise disturb the grounds; or to remove any county property from any park;
- H. To fail to keep boat ramps clear; to leave boats, trailers and vehicles unattended; to park or leave a vehicle on a boat ramp longer than necessary to launch or retrieve a boat;
- I. To conduct oneself in a disorderly, boisterous or unruly manner or behavior;
- J. To fail to clean a picnic shelter after use, or to fail to return tables and furniture to their original locations;
- K. To erect, or place any temporary structures, including but not limited to waterslides, swimming pools, rock walls and jump houses, in any parks;
- L. To use stakes to erect or place any canopies, shelter, or tent in any picnic area;
- M. To post signs or banners without the prior permission of the Director or Director's designee; to post signs or banners with tacks, nails, or staples instead of tape; or to fail to remove all parts of the signs or banners, and all remnants of tape when the site is vacated;
- N. To use public address or audio amplification equipment without the prior permission of the Director or Director's designee, or to use audio equipment in such a manner as to cause unreasonable noise or to disturb other persons in any park.

9.08 **USE OF ALCOHOL:** It is unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts in any park:

- A. To possess kegs containing beer, malt liquor or other alcoholic beverages, without the prior written permission from the Director or Director's designee;
- B. To be under the influence of any intoxicant, including but not limited to alcoholic beverages.