Town of Marlborough Rules and Regulations for all Town Parks and Athletic Fields

PARK AND ATHLETIC FIELD HOURS: DAWN TO DUSK

GENERAL RULES:
1. Use or sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
2. Smoking is prohibited.
3. Pets in any area of the town parks or athletic fields are prohibited (except for service animals).
4. Operation of any type of motorized vehicle is prohibited.
5. Parking is restricted to designated areas only.
6. Feeding of or annoyance to wildlife in any manner is prohibited.
7. Use of firearms, bows, arrows, or any dangerous weapons is prohibited.
8. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied and supervised by person 16 years old or older.
9. Glass containers are prohibited.
10. Camping is prohibited, unless prior approval obtained from Parks and Recreation Department.
11. Large equipment, such as moon bounces, amusement rides or other similar activities are prohibited. Any large fixtures brought into the park for private parties must meet prior approval of the Parks and Recreation Department.
12. Bicycles, roller-blades, scooters and skateboards on pavilion, tennis courts or athletic fields are prohibited.
13. Use of soaps or detergents for shampooing or bathing are prohibited.
14. Floatable or inflatable objects, snorkels or masks in roped swim area (except for Coast Guard approved life vests/jackets) are prohibited.
15. Ball playing or Frisbee throwing on beach or in the water is prohibited.
16. Children who are not toilet trained must wear elastic legged rubber/plastic pants when in the water. Diapers should be appropriately disposed of when at any of the parks or athletic fields. Diapers are not biodegradable. Do NOT leave them at the playscape, bath house, athletic fields, or in the portable bathrooms.
17. Play on athletic fields is prohibited during wet or inclement weather or when posted.
18. Field closing for maintenance, weather, safety or other reasons deemed appropriate for the management and protection of the property shall be at the discretion of the Marlborough Parks and Recreation Department or Public Works Department.
19. All organized group play must have permission/permit from Marlborough Parks and Recreation Department and/or the Town prior to use.
20. TAKE OUT WHAT YOU TAKE IN.

BOATING:
1. No mooring of boats.
2. No operation of motors over 3.3 horsepower.
3. A boat registration is required on boats having electric or gas powered motors.
4. A DEP Safe Boating Certificate and personal floatation devices are required for people who operate a motorized boat.

FIRES:
1. Restricted to designated areas under control of lifeguard or park attendant.
2. All propane containers must be appropriately labeled and meet fire safety guidelines.

PAVILION RESERVATIONS:
1. Blish Park is open from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Pavilion reservations are required. Groups of 20 or more must reserve with the Parks and Recreation Department.
2. Pavilion reservation applications must be completed and turned in to the Parks and Recreation Director at least 5 days in advance, and will be accepted first come, first serve basis.
3. A fee will be charged for pavilion reservations, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department.
4. Reservation holders have priority use of the pavilion.
5. Groups are responsible for their own clean-up. Trash must be bagged and taken out of the park.

TAKE OUT WHAT YOU TAKE IN.

PARKING AT THE LAKE:
1. Parking sticker must be attached to windshield. Town stickers can be obtained at the Town Hall from the Office of the Town Clerk with proof of residency. Main parking lots are open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend only.
2. Parking permitted only in the designated parking lots.
3. Absolutely no parking on Lake Road, at boat launching area or turn-around. Residents who wish to fish or boat may park in the small parking lot on Lake Road after unloading their boats.
4. Consideration is given to disabled individuals to disembark at the beach via the emergency road and the vehicle returned to the parking lot.
5. Only maintenance and emergency vehicles are allowed within the Park.

LIFEGUARDS:
1. One or more lifeguards will be on duty weekends from Memorial Day until the last day of school and daily thereafter through Labor Day.
2. Lifeguard protection within roped off area only.
3. All decisions of lifeguards are final. Lifeguards have the authority to close the beach for safety at any time.

BEACH CLOSING POLICY DUE TO RAIN:
By Connecticut Health Regulations, public town beaches are closed for 24 hours after 1 or more inches of rain in a 24-hour period.