



STRABAN TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

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Straban Township Recreation Park

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Straban Township, its employees, boards and committees are not responsible for injuries to persons or damages or loss of property. This is entirely the responsibility of participants. Organizations and individuals using park facilities shall agree to pay for any and all damages to the recreation facilities and damages to or loss of any of the property and equipment of the recreational facilities.

PURPOSE:

The intent and purpose of the Straban Township Parks and Recreation Rules and Regulations is to ensure the preservation of the recreation facilities, and regulate activities within the facilities, allowing for the perpetual enjoyment of all park users. This document was adopted by a resolution of the Board of Supervisor’s on March 4, 2013.

PARK FACILITIES (SEE DIAGRAM ON BACK PAGE):



- One Soccer Field
- Three Ball Fields
- Pavilion with picnic tables and grill
- Play set
- Half Basketball Court



GUIDELINES AND POLICIES

- Hours of Operation: The park shall be open between the hours of sunrise and 10 p.m.
- Scheduling of Fields and Pavilion ;The pavilion and all fields must be reserved in advance for group activities.
- Persons requesting a reservation of park facilities must be an adult, age eighteen or older.
- Scheduling Request Forms can be downloaded from the Straban Township website (<http://www.strabantownship.com/forms/RecPkReservation.pdf>), and are also available at the township office during normal business hours
 - Scheduling procedures are intended to fairly accommodate the needs of multiple requests & diverse organizations.
 - The schedule may be viewed on the township website, on the message board at the park, and is available at the Township office during normal business hours.
- Due to inclement weather and/or poor field conditions, the maintenance staff may post a ‘Closed’ sign on fields. The park or specific facilities may also be closed as needed for maintenance and construction.
- The township may cancel the reservation of any person or organization when such person or organization, in the opinion of township personnel, is not acting in the best interest of the recreation park or public.

SAFETY RULES: the following activities are prohibited to ensure the safety of all park users:

- Leaving children unsupervised
- Use of power equipment
- Possession or use of firearms, weapons and paintball guns
- Glass bottles/containers outside the pavilion area.
- Skateboarding, rollerblading, or biking in play areas.
- Use of dangerous athletic equipment such as javelins, arrows, discus, lawn darts or similar athletic equipment unless use has been expressly permitted.
- Any act which endangers the safety of another person.

FIELD MAINTENANCE:

- Township intent is to maintain facilities at a serviceable & safe baseline (ex. dragging, rolling, fertilizing, herbicides, mowing, trimming, spread lime, purchase/application of gravel, painting, safety & life cycle repairs etc.)
- Organizations using the park facilities may add/maintain enhancements, beyond the baseline at their own expense (optional consumables, like lime, line paint and mound clay, provided and applied by the organizations for their use if desired)
- Organizations are required to restore the field conditions at the end of play (ex. refuse collected)
- Organizations may not use power equipment on the fields (ATVs, trucks etc.)

ANIMALS AND PETS

- Pets are permitted in the park, but must remain on a leash at all times.
- Owners must clean up after their pet.



INCIDENT REPORTING

All incidents occurring at the park must be reported to the Township office.

LIABILITY AND PROOF OF INSURANCE:

- Organized groups are required to provide current proof of liability insurance which will be kept on file at the township office. This insurance documentation must include Straban Township as an “additional insured” entity and is a prerequisite for approval of Straban Township Recreation requests. Proof of liability insurance must be submitted annually. Schedule requests will not be approved without current proof of insurance on file.
- Organizations are to notify the township upon any change to their insurance coverage.

STORAGE ON TOWNSHIP PROPERTY:

- On-site storage boxes are intended to store township maintenance items. Limited storage is permitted for organizational equipment.
- A key requiring a small deposit will be issued to an organization for use of the storage boxes for the limited storage of permitted items. The deposit will be refunded upon key return.
- A request for additional storage may be submitted to the Recreation Board.
- Private property left on-site is to be marked with organization name and contact information. Township will assume no responsibility for private property items left on-site.

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES/CONDUCT:

- Solicitation or sale of any goods or food or the conduct of any commercial activity.
- Possession and/or use of alcoholic beverages
- Intoxication
- Use of indecent language
- Disorderly conduct
- Unreasonable noise. Use of sound amplification equipment must be approved in writing in advance by the Township.
- Parking or operation of motor vehicles on the grass areas except as designated for overflow parking.
- Building, lighting or maintaining fires, except in grills provided for this purpose. All grills must be extinguished prior to leaving the picnic area.
- Defacing of any signs, posters, building or other park property.
- Gambling.
- Littering. Refuse must be placed in containers provided for that purpose. No dumping of any kind.
- Camping or associated activities.

FEES (FUTURE):

- Although the park does not currently charge fees for the use of its facilities, there is potential for future organizational User Fees based on pending financial analysis.

PERIODIC REVISIONS TO THIS DOCUMENT:

- This document will be updated as needed. Comments and suggestions can be submitted to the Recreation Board through the township office or presented during regularly scheduled board meetings. The board meets the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the township building.

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