



Park Rules

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INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Act 261 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1965, as amended, the Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission herewith promulgates and publishes the following rules for the use, protection, regulation and control of all of its services, facilities and park, recreation, conservation, education, historic, and scenic areas and preserves and parkways

The Commission shall have the power to regulate the use of any Commission Property by resolution.

In the event that any provision herein contained is held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such provision shall not affect the remainder of the rules and regulations.

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CHAPTER I: DEFINITIONS

For purposes of these Rules, the following definitions apply:

Commission" shall mean the Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission or its authorized representative.

1. "Commission Property" shall mean all lands, waters, and property, real or personal, administered by or under the jurisdiction of the Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission.
2. "Rules" shall mean the rules and amendments thereto, adopted ty the Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission and approved by the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners applicable to all property administered by or under the jurisdiction of the said Commission, including but not limited to public park property owned by Saginaw County.
3. "Park Hours" shall mean the time that a park is open and available for public use. The opening times of each park are posted at the entrance to the park and may change according to the season(s). In parks that close at "dark" or "dusk", this is defined as ½ hour (30 minutes) after sunset.
4. "Person" or "Persons" shall mean individuals, singular or plural; firms, corporations, companies, or any group or gathering of individuals.
5. "Motorized" vehicle shall mean any vehicle or personal conveyance, or mode of transportation that is self-propelled, by any type of motor or other means, with the exception of human power. This includes but is not limited to cars, trucks, van, motorhomes, all-terrain vehicles (ATV's), go-karts, tractors, mopeds, motorcycles, snowmobiles, and electric bicycles not meeting the State of Michigan requirements of class 1-3 electric bicycles. Motorized wheelchairs or scooters for disabled individuals are excluded from this definition provided that the vehicle is used by someone that has a documented physical disability.
6. "Camping" shall mean the overnight lodging or sleeping of a person on the ground or in any other manner, or in any sleeping bag, tent, trailer tent, trailer coach, vehicle camper, motor vehicle, boat or in any other conveyance erected, parked or placed on the premises or waters "within" any Commission Property.
7. "Bark Park" shall mean a designated and confined area designed for dogs to run unleashed while supervised by their handler.
8. "Firearm" shall include any revolver, pistol, shotgun, rifle, air rifle, air gun, slingshot, BB gun or any gun, rifle, firearm or bow or other device this is designed to discharge projectiles or are models or facsimiles of these devices, which appear to be capable of doing so.

CHAPTER II: ENFORCEMENT, FINES, AND IMPRISONMENT

Any person violating any provision of the following rules and regulations shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than \$500.00 and costs of prosecution or imprisoned in the County Jail for a period not exceeding 90 days or both, for each offense. In addition, a person violating or abusing Commission Property, shall be assessed the full and reasonable costs of restitution for said Commission Property, which shall be made payable to Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission, and payable at the Administrative Offices, 111 S. Michigan Ave. Saginaw, MI 48602.

SECTION A: AUTHORITY

- 1. The Saginaw County Sheriff’s Department and local police agencies shall enforce all applicable Park Rules and laws of the State of Michigan.
- 2. Violations of these Park Rules may result in the confiscation as evidence and/or forfeiture of any personal property used while committing the offense.

SECTION B: EXTENDED AUTHORITY/EMERGENCY POWER

Nothing in these Park Rules shall:

- 1. Prohibit or hinder duly authorized agents of the Commission or any peace officers from performing their official duties or enforcing these Park Rules.
- 2. Prohibit the Commission from establishing emergency rules, required to protect the health, welfare, and safety of park visitors and to protect Commission Property including but not limited to, the right of the Commission to order all persons off Commission Property, and close all or any portion of Commission Property.

SECTION C: FINES

The applicable courts shall assess all fines and penalties.

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CHAPTER III: PUBLIC USE & HOURS

SECTION A: HOURS

Park hours are posted at the entrance of each park. The Commission upon application may extend park hours. No person shall, upon the property administered by or under the jurisdiction of the Commission:

Remain or enter on park properties during hours such properties, waters or facilities are not posted open for public use and/or designated as closed for public use, including non-gated Commission properties, unless such person has a valid permit or is a participant in a Commission sponsored program.

SECTION B: PERMITS

Failure to obtain and/or follow the terms of a permit is a violation of Park Rules.

- 1. Permits are required for certain activities on Commission Property including but not limited to shelter rentals, events, special activities, vending and metal detecting.
- 2. Any group may use certain areas, facilities, or services within the Commission Property to the exclusion of others by receiving a permit from the Commission.
- 3. Application for a permit for reserved park space or facilities shall be made upon a form furnished by the Commission. Application shall be made in advance of the time of reservation requested.
- 4. Application for pavilion rentals or a temporary camping permit may be obtained between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00pm on normal County business days at the office of the Commission, in the Saginaw County Governmental Center. Applications must be accompanied by a fee as required by the Commission.

5. In the event more applications for reserved space or facilities are received than space available, such applications shall be considered in the chronological order received.
6. Nothing contained herein exempts the users of reserved space or facilities from full compliance with Park Rules.

SECTION C: SPECIAL PERMITS

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Erect, construct or maintain any facilities above or below ground, across or beneath Commission Property without first having obtained written permission from the Commission authorizing such installation or construction and a permit specifying in detail the work to be done and the conditions to be fulfilled pursuant to the terms of such approval.

SECTION D: PEDDLING & SOLICITATION

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Post, paste, fasten, or affix any placard, bill, notice or sign upon any structure, tree, stone, fence, thing or enclosure along or within any park except that temporary directional signs for group picnics or events may be erected as allowed by the permit for the event. Signs must be removed at the conclusion of the event and must not mar, damage or stain Commission Property. Additional details regarding First Amendment Activities are included in Exhibit VII.

SECTION E: PUBLIC EXHIBITION

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Exhibit any machine, show any animal, conduct any aerobatic exhibitions, conduct a performance, or do anything whatsoever, which shall cause persons to congregate, or interfere with the proper use of Commission Property by the public, without first having obtained written permission from the Commission.

SECTION F: DONATIONS

1. All donations of personal property shall be consistent with Park plans and maintenance requirements.
2. The final decision for acceptance and placement of donations shall be made by the Commission or their assigned representative.
3. Types of recognition for donations may vary. The type of recognition, together with related inscriptions or language shall be approved by the Commission or their assigned representative.
4. The Commission does not guarantee the permanency of donations. Donations will be maintained for a period of 10 years at the same level as other park features.
5. The Commission takes no responsibility for replacing stolen, vandalized, worn or deteriorated donations, nor damage from natural causes.
6. All donations shall become the property of the Commission.

SECTION G: FEES

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Use any facility, land or area for which a fee or charge has been established by the Commission without payment of such fee or charge.

SECTION H: SECURITY PROTECTION

The Commission occasionally provides security personnel on Commission Property. However, the Commission assumes no liability for the actions of others. Unlawful acts should be reported to the Saginaw County Sheriff or local municipal police force..

CHAPTER IV: PROTECTION OF PROPERTY

SECTION A: DAMAGE, DESTRUCTION AND THEFT OF PROPERTY

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

- 1. Willfully destroy, deface, alter, change, or remove any monument, stone marker, benchmark stake, post or blaze, marking or designating any boundary line, survey line, or reference point.
- 2. Cut, break, mark upon or otherwise damage any building, parks equipment and furnishings, bridge, drain, wall, fountain, lamp post, fence, gate, hedge, or other structure.
- 3. Deface, destroy, or remove any placard, notice, or sign, whether permanent or temporary, posted or exhibited.
- 4. Take, carry away, or attempt to take or carry away any Commission Property.

SECTION B: DESTRUCTION OF PLANT LIFE AND NATURAL SURROUNDINGS

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

- 1. Cut, remove, or destroy any tree, sapling, seedling, bush, or shrub, whether alive or dead, or chip, blaze, box, girdle, trim or otherwise deface or injure any tree or shrub, or break or remove any branch, foliage, flower or any tree, shrub, or pick, gather, uproot, remove or destroy any flower or plant of grass.
- 2. Remove or cause to be removed any sod, earth, humus, peat, boulders, gravel, or sand without written permission of the Commission.

SECTION C: FIRES

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

- 1. Willfully set or cause to be set on fire any tree, woodland, brush land, grassland, or meadow.
- 2. Build any fire upon Commission Property except within the fireplaces, fire pits, receptacles, or open spaces approved and designated by the Commission for such purpose. Fires must be maintained so that flames are no more than three feet in height.
- 3. Burn pallets, treated wood, plastics, or other noxious materials in campfires.
- 4. Leave fires unattended. All fires shall be extinguished prior to leaving the immediate vicinity.
- 5. Drop, throw, or otherwise scatter lighted matches, burning cigars, cigarettes, tobacco paper or other potentially flammable material.

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CHAPTER V: DOMESTIC ANIMALS & LIVESTOCK RESTRICTIONS

SECTION A: RELEASE OF ANIMALS & LEASH LAW

No person shall, upon Commission Property, bring or release any animals, fish, bird, living species, plant, or other organism except as follows:

- 1. Dogs shall be allowed on Commission Property while in the immediate control of their owner by use of leash of less than six feet in length, unless otherwise designated. No dogs, animal, bird, or pet shall be allowed upon the William H. Haithco beach, park buildings or pavilions, except as may be otherwise approved for programs and/or activities approved by the Parks Commission or its authorized representative.
- 2. Guide dogs and service animals are permitted for persons with disabilities, in accordance with the State of Michigan and Federal Statutes.
- 3. Individuals tending to a pet or other animal shall be responsible for any injuries, damages, repairs, or other maintenance needs which the animal creates. This includes but is not limited to filling holes, cleaning up fecal matter, and damage to public or personal property.
- 4. Rules governing the Imerman Memorial Park "Bark Park" are provided in Exhibit VII

SECTION B: LIVESTOCK

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Drive or cause to be driven any horses, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, or other livestock upon or across any property, or graze upon any property administered by or under the jurisdiction of the Commission without the written permission of the Commission.

SECTION C: HORSES ON THE SAGINAW VALLEY RAILTRAIL

- 1. Horses are prohibited in Commission Property except for specifically designated and posted areas, or bridle paths like the Saginaw Valley Rail Trail, or by permit on field trail areas, and events and activities approved by the Commission including the Saginaw County Sheriff Department’s mounted patrol.
 - 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride a horse in a careless, negligent, or reckless manner so as to create a nuisance or to endanger the life, property or persons of others on Commission Property.
 - 3. Horses must be securely hitched while standing on Commission Property or under the control of a competent person.
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CHAPTER VI: PROTECTION OF WILDLIFE

SECTION A: HUNTING

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

- 1. Hunt, trap, wound or kill, or treat cruelly, attempt to trap, catch, wound, or kill any bird or animal, molest, or rob any nest of any bird or any lair, den, or burrow of any animal, in or upon any Commission Property.
- 2. Exception: The Commission may employ properly licensed trappers to catch and remove nuisance wildlife that may jeopardize the health, safety, and welfare of park users, or may cause structural damage to the landscape, buildings, pathways, and other park features.
- 3. Exception: Hunters and trappers will be allowed to cross the Saginaw Valley Rail Trail property to access property on which they have legal permission to hunt, or trap provided they have a valid license to engage in such hunting or trapping activity. Guns, bows or other weapons must be unarmed while on Commission Property. The use of motorized vehicles is prohibited.

SECTION B: CONTRABAND

- 1. All game animals, fowl, birds, fish, and other aquatic life, hunted, killed, taken, or destroyed, bought, sold, bartered, or had in possession, contrary to any of the provisions hereof, shall be the same are declared to be contraband and the same shall be subject to seizure and confiscation and shall be turned over to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for disposal.
- 2. Provided further, that any weapon or object carried or used by any person in the violation of these rules, shall be subject to seizure by the Commission or its agents and disposed of according to law.
- 3. Exception: this rule shall not apply to hunters crossing the Saginaw Valley Rail Trail to access property as stipulated in Section A, provided they have a valid license allowing the taking of such game, all weapons are unarmed and have obtained the game through legal means.

CHAPTER VII: RULES GOVERNING ACTIVITIES AND OTHER USES

SECTION A: SWIMMING, WADING, BATHING

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

1. Wade, between sunset and sunrise, in any of the watercourse, lakes, ponds, or sloughs located within or upon Commission Property.
2. Swim, bathe, or wade except at such times and places as provided or designated for such purposes.
3. Have in their possession any glass or disposable metal container on any beach or in the water adjacent thereto.
4. Use any device in the waters not designated to be used in the aid of swimming.
5. Rules for the swimming area at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area are provided in Exhibit I.
6. Rules for the Splash Pad at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area are provided in Exhibit V.

SECTION B: BOATING

1. No person shall bring into use via Commission Property any boat, yacht, canoe, kayak, raft or other watercraft upon any water course, river lagoon, lake, ponds, or slough except at such time and place as may be provided and designated for such purpose.
2. All watercraft shall comply with and be used in accordance with the State of Michigan and Federal Statutes.
3. Rules for boating at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area and Imerman Memorial Park are provided in Exhibits II & III.

SECTION C: WINDSURFING & KITEBOARDING

Rules for Windsurfing and Kiteboarding at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area are provided in Exhibit IV

SECTION D: SCUBA DIVING

Rules for Scuba Diving at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area are provided in Exhibit VI.

SECTION E: CAMPING

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

1. Camp in such areas not designated for that purpose.
2. Camp without a written permit issued by an authorized representative of the Commission.
3. Occupy campsites after checkout time on the last day allowed by the permit.
4. Occupy campsites contrary to assignments as made by the Commission.
5. Rules for camping at the Price Nature Center are provided in Exhibit VIII.

SECTION F: WINTER ACTIVITIES

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Operate or use a snowmobile, sled, toboggan, ski, snowshoe, or any other means of motorized or non-motorized vehicle or devices that are designed to travel on snow, unless in a designated area for such activities and the ground is frozen, with a cover of three inches of snow.

CHAPTER VIII: MOTOR VEHICLES & PARKING

SECTION A: PARKING

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

1. Stop, start, or park a motor vehicle in any place marked as a passenger or loading zone, other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers, materials, or packages.
2. Stop, stand, or park a motor vehicle in such a manner as to form an obstruction to traffic thereon.
3. Park any motor vehicle in any posted or non-posted area that is not intended or designated as a parking zone.
4. Drive or park any motor vehicle in or upon property that is used for recreational purposes, unless otherwise allowed by these rules.
5. Allow any motor vehicle to remain upon Commission Property during hours such property or facilities are not open to public use.

SECTION B: CONTINUOUS CRUISING

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Continuously cruise, in or on any motor driven vehicle in or through any area of the park system, defined as the repeated driving of a motor vehicle in and through a park area without stopping to use park facilities.

SECTION C: RECREATIONAL VEHICLES:

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Operate a motor driven vehicle, including but not limited to, motor driven sleds, toboggans, or snowmobiles on any Commission Property subject to the following:

1. Recreation vehicles shall not cross park boundaries EXCEPT at authorized points of ingress or egress and in a manner as hereinafter described.
2. No person shall drive a recreation vehicle into or out of Commission Property, but rather said recreation vehicles must be towed in a manner permissible under State Law.

SECTION D: DRIVING VIOLATIONS

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

1. Operate a motor vehicle of any kind or nature, except on designated roads, trails, or parking areas.
2. Operate a motor vehicle at speeds greater than 5 mph, unless otherwise posted.
3. Operate a motor vehicle at speeds greater than is reasonable and proper, having due regard to the traffic, surface, width of the road and of any other existing condition.
4. Operate any vehicle contrary to posted traffic signs, symbols, rules, or Violate any of the State of Michigan Statutes including, but not limited to the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code.

CHAPTER IX: BICYCLES

SECTION A: BICYCLES

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

- 1. Operate more than two bicycles abreast or operate any bicycle outside of the right-hand curb or right-hand side of the path, trail, or roadway, as conditions will permit.
- 2. Operate any bicycle, with a second person that was not designed as intended to have a passenger.
- 3. Operate in any park closed to the public.
- 4. Persons must ride on seats as designated by the manufacturer.
- 5. Bicycles may be operated on such paths, trails or roadways as may be posted allowing such use; provided however, no such use shall be allowed between sunset and sunrise.

SECTION B: E-BIKES

To qualify as an E-bike in Michigan, the bike must meet the following requirements: It must have a seat or saddle for the rider to sit; there must be fully operational pedals; and it must have an electric motor of no more than 750 watts (or 1 horsepower). Class 1 (defined as pedal assisted, up to 20 mph) Class 2 (defined as pedal or throttle assisted, up to 20 mph), and Class 3 (defined as pedal assisted, up to 28 mph). E-bikes are allowed on non-motorized trails that fall under the authority of the Saginaw County Parks & Recreation Commission. A device shall not be considered an E-bike if the motor is modified in a manner that it exceeds, or otherwise no longer meets, the definitions of Class 1, 2, and 3 E-bikes as provided herein and under State law. Such modified devices are strictly prohibited from use on non-motorized trails. Adaptive devices for the disabled (motorized wheelchairs, 3 wheeled bikes, etc.), as well as electric scooters, skateboards, and one-wheels, are allowed on non-motorized trails if their top speed is less than 20 mph. Speeds are not to exceed 20mph and shall be reduced by the user or Parks Commission as conditions may require.

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CHAPTER X: SKATING & COASTING

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

- 1. Use roller skates, roller blades, ice skates, or other similar devices, or walk upon any ice except at such times and places as may be designated.
- 2. Coast with hand sleds, bobs, carts, toboggans, skis, snowboards, or other equipment or other similar devices except at such times and places as designated.

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CHAPTER XI: CONDUCT

SECTION A: PERSONAL CONDUCT

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

- 1. Be under the influence of any illegal intoxicants or drugs, or engage in any violent, abusive, loud, boisterous, vulgar, lewd, wanton, obscene, or otherwise disorderly conduct tending to create a breach of the peace, or to disturb or annoy others, while in or on any Commission Property.
- 2. It shall be unlawful to conduct or to participate in a form of gambling lottery or game of chance upon Commission Property.
- 3. Intentionally or non-intentionally engage in circumstances in which the following conduct is likely to be viewed by others:
 - a) Violate any State of Michigan or Federal Statutes related to nudity and/or public indecency.
- 4. Shoot, throw, or explode any type of water balloon, water ball, water gun, silly string, or other product containing a liquid substance at any time within Commission Property.

SECTION B: UNLAWFUL OBSTRUCTION

No person, firm or corporation shall upon Commission Property:

Force, threaten, intimidate, unlawfully fence or by any other means; prevent or obstruct any person from entering, leaving, or making full use of any Commission Property.

SECTION C: HINDERING EMPLOYEES

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Interfere with, or in any manner hinder any employee or agent of the commission while performing their official duties.

SECTION D: RESISTING AUTHORIZED PARK RANGER

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Interfere with any authorized Park Ranger in the discharge of their duties or fail to refuse to obey any lawful command of any Park Ranger.

SECTION E: IMPERSONATION OF A RANGER

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Impersonate an authorized Park Ranger for any reason whatsoever.

SECTION F: USE OF LOUDSPEAKER

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Use a loudspeaker, voice or music amplifier, or public address system within or upon Commission Property without a written permit issued by the Commission.

SECTION G: LITTERING AND POLLUTION OF WATERS

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

1. Discard or deposit refuse of any kind or nature except by placing said refuse in containers provided for such purpose.
2. Throw, cast, lay, drop, or discharge into or leave in waters any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which may or shall result in the pollution of water.
3. Bring domestic or commercial refuse for the purpose of discarding or dumping, onto Commission Property or within its refuse containers provided.
4. The uncontrolled release of balloons into the environment, whether they are biodegradable or not, constitutes litter within the meaning of this chapter and no person shall intentionally release balloons into the environment within Commission Property for any purpose.

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CHAPTER XII: ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES & ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES

SECTION A: ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Use, consume or possess any alcoholic or intoxicating beverage, except with prior written approval by the Commission and any other authorizing authority.

SECTION B: ILLEGAL DRUGS & MARIJUANA

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

1. Possess illegal drugs or other illegal substances.
2. Use, possess, smoke, vape or consume any marihuana, or product, or any substance containing marihuana or derivative of Tetrahydrocannabinol, commonly known as THC.

CHAPTER XIII: AIRCRAFT, ROCKETS & DRONES

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Make any ascent or descent, operate, or possess any balloon, rocket, airplane, parachute, manned aircraft or remotely controlled craft or device, other than a lawfully operated drone/UAV, on Commission Property, except in designated areas, without first obtaining written permission from the Commission or except as may be necessary in the event of an emergency. Drone usage is governed by State and Federal laws and regulations. State and Federal laws pertaining to drone usage will be enforced on all Commission Property. [www.faa.gov/uas/State-act 436-2016](http://www.faa.gov/uas/State-act-436-2016).

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CHAPTER XIV: FIREARMS & FIREWORKS

SECTION A: FIREARMS

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

1. Possess, brandish, or control any firearm, or weapon except those as allowed by the State of Michigan or Federal Statutes, unless by proper written permission of the Commission, or as allowed by the Commission in designated areas.
2. Discharge any firearm, or weapon, except by prior written permission of the Commission, or as allowed by the Commission in designated areas.
3. This section shall not apply to any law enforcement officer acting in the course of their official duties.

SECTION B: FIREWORKS

No person shall, upon Commission Property:

Possess, fire, or discharge any sparkler, firecracker, firework, or any composition or device for the purpose of producing a visible or an audible effect by combustion, deflagration, or detonation without a written permit issued by the Commission and any other authorizing agency.

EXHIBIT I

WILLIAM H. HAITHCO RECREATION AREA BEACH RULES

Any person or persons violating the Rules for the William H. Haithco Beach Area shall be subject to ejection from a Commission administered park or park facility without reimbursement of admission fees.

The following constitutes the Rules established for public use of the William H. Haithco Beach Area:

1. Swimming is approved only in designated areas when a lifeguard is on duty, the Friday before Memorial Day, from 11:00am to 7:30pm through Labor Day. The Commission or its designated representative reserves the right to close the swimming area due to weather or water conditions, special events, or other circumstances.
2. Glass containers, pets, air mattresses, inner tubes, and inflatable devices, except beach balls, are prohibited.
3. Children under 13 years old must be accompanied by a parent or guardian 18 years or older.
4. No person shall carry or consume any food or beverage of any kind, nor have in their possession any glass or disposable metal container on any beach, or in any area so designated as be prohibited, or in the water adjacent thereto.
5. Food and drinks are prohibited in the water.
6. Abusive language, rough play and littering is prohibited.
7. Children not toilet trained must wear waterproof diaper in the water.
8. Pulling or hanging on buoy lines and climbing on lifeguard stands is prohibited.
9. Individuals may be required to demonstrate swimming ability prior to entering deeper water.
10. Lifeguards shall have the authority to expel patrons for the beach area who are behaving in a manner that violates the Rules described herein, or any other law or regulation, or are under the influence of drugs or alcohol, or shows signs of physical illness.
11. The Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission shall not be responsible for lost or stolen articles.
12. No person shall allow any animal to swim in an area designated as a public swimming area or in any area so designated as being prohibited.

Persons violating these Rules shall be prohibited from using the William H. Haithco Beach and shall be removed from the facility.

EXHIBIT II

WILLIAM H. HAITHCO RECREATION AREA & IMERMAN MEMORIAL PARK WATERCRAFT RENTAL RULES

The following constitutes the Rules established for rental of County owned canoes, kayaks, paddleboats and row boats at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area and Imerman Memorial Park:

1. Rental hours shall be from 9:00am to 8:00pm. All watercraft must be returned no later than 8:00pm on the day of the rental. The Commission reserves the right to limit when watercraft are rented due to weather conditions, special events, or other circumstances.
2. Renters must be a minimum of 18 years old, sign a waiver/disclaimer, and leave a valid driver's license or acceptable identification with parks staff while on the watercraft. Renters may be 10 years or older if accompanied by a parent/guardian at William H. Haithco Recreation Area. Renters may be 16 years or older if accompanied by a parent/guardian at Imerman Memorial Park.
3. Personal Flotation Devices (PFD's) must be worn at all times and boaters must remain seated in the watercraft at all times in rental kayaks, paddleboats, and canoes.
4. Fishing is prohibited on paddleboats. Fishing is approved on canoes, kayaks and row boats.
5. Watercraft users shall comply with the load capacity established by the watercraft manufacturer and as displayed on the watercraft capacity plate.
6. All watercraft occupants must wear proper U.S. Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Devices at all times.
7. All watercraft occupants must remain in the watercraft at all times. Water entries into the watercraft are prohibited.
8. All watercraft must maintain a distance of 100' from the docks, harbor, other boats and swimming area.
9. All watercraft will be operated in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Persons violating these Rules shall be prohibited from using watercrafts at the applicable facility and shall be removed from the facility.

EXHIBIT III

WILLIAM H. HAITHCO RECREATION AREA

PRIVATE WATERCRAFT RULES

The following constitutes the Rules established for the use of Privately Owned Watercraft at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area:

1. Boating hours for privately owned approved watercraft shall be from 9:00am to 8:00pm daily.
2. Privately owned watercraft owners shall pay any applicable fees currently in force at the time of use.
3. All watercraft must have an occupant no younger than 18 years old while in operation.
4. Sailboats, V-bottom boats, jon-boats, kayaks, paddleboards and canoes that are 17 feet in length or less and meet Federal/State/U.S. Coast Guard safety standards are approved for access on Haithco Lake. Inflatable devices or watercraft not defined herein, of any kind, are prohibited from lake access.
5. All watercraft must be either man-powered or wind-powered. Motorized watercraft are prohibited.
6. Watercraft users shall comply with the load capacity established by the watercraft manufacturer and as displayed on the watercraft capacity plate.
7. All watercraft occupants must wear proper U.S. Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Devices at all times.
8. All watercraft occupants must remain in the watercraft at all times. Water entries into the watercraft are prohibited.
9. All watercraft and related equipment must be transported manually from the parking lot or drop of area to the shoreline.
10. All watercraft must maintain a distance of 100' from the docks, harbor, other boats and swimming area.
11. All watercraft will be operated in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Persons violating these Rules shall be prohibited from using watercrafts at the applicable facility and shall be removed from the facility.

EXHIBIT IV

WILLIAM H. HAITHCO RECREATION AREA

WINDSURFING AND KITEBOARDING RULES

The following constitutes the Rules established for Windsurfing and Kiteboarding activities at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area:

1. Windsurfing and kiteboarding hours are from 9:00am to 8:00pm daily.
2. Windsurfers and kiteboarders are required to check-in at the Haithco Park Office on-site between Memorial Day and Labor Day and sign a waiver of liability.
3. Windsurfers and kiteboarders shall pay any applicable fees currently in force at the time of use.
4. All windsurfers and kiteboarders must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD).
5. All equipment must be transported manually from the parking lot or drop off area to the Windsurfing/Kiteboarding Beach.
6. All windsurfers and kiteboarders must maintain a distance of 100' from the docks, harbor, other boats, and swimming area.
7. All windsurfing and kiteboarding activities will be performed in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Persons violating these Rules shall be prohibited from windsurfing or kiteboarding at the applicable facility and shall be removed from the facility.

EXHIBIT V

WILLIAM H. HAITHCO RECREATION AREA

SPLASH PAD RULES

The following constitutes the Rules established for the Splash Pad at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area:

1. The splash pad shall be open from 11:00am – 7:30pm the Friday before Memorial Day through Labor Day.
2. Children under 13 years old must always be accompanied by a parent or guardian 18 years or older.
3. Swimsuits or appropriate attire must be worn at all times. Water shoes/sandals are strongly recommended.
4. Health Restrictions: Persons who have contagious disease, diarrhea, skin or eye irritations or infections, respiratory infections, open lesions, wounds, or cuts are prohibited from using the splash pad. Drinking splash pad water, spitting or spouting water from the mouth is prohibited.
5. Children not toilet trained must wear a swim diaper.
6. The following items are strictly prohibited: Soaps, detergents or shampoos, glass containers, food and/or drinks, pool toys, inflatables, chairs, athletic equipment, water scooters, tobacco and marijuana products of any kind including vapes, drugs and alcohol and all pets of any kind except for service animals.
7. The following behavior is strictly prohibited: Being under the influence of alcohol or drugs, abusive language or profanity, rough play, running, pulling, hanging or climbing on equipment or spray features.

Persons violating these Rules shall be prohibited from using the William H. Haithco Splash Pad and shall be removed from the facility.

EXHIBIT VI

WILLIAM H. HAITHCO RECREATION AREA SCUBA DIVING RULES

The following constitutes the Rules established for Scuba Diving at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area:

1. Scuba diving is permitted at the William H. Haithco Recreation Area from the Friday before Memorial Day through Labor Day between the hours of 9:00am – 8:00pm.
2. All scuba divers shall have proof of certification from a recognized certification entity and sign a waiver of liability.
3. All scuba divers be accompanied by another certified diver.
4. Diver must display and use a diver's flag in accordance with State law as defined as a red flag with a white diagonal line going through it.
5. Divers shall dive in designated areas only. Divers shall not dive closer than 100' from the boating beach, harbor, docks, or the swimming area.
6. All scuba diving activities will be performed in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Persons violating these Rules shall be prohibited from scuba diving at the applicable facility and shall be removed from the facility.

EXHIBIT VII

IMERMAN MEMORIAL PARK BARK PARK RULES

The following constitutes the Rules established for the Bark Park located at Imerman Memorial Park:

1. Use of the Bark Park is limited to dogs, their owners/handlers and those accompanying them. No other use is permitted.
2. Children under 13 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.
3. Dogs may be off-leash only within the Bark Park fenced area. Owners/handlers must carry a leash while in the Bark Park.
4. No more than three dogs per person are permitted in the Bark Park.
5. Dogs that are in heat, ill, or with internal and/or external parasite (fleas, ticks, worms, etc.) are not allowed in the Bark Park.
6. All dogs must have current rabies shots and have a current dog license tag displayed in ready view to enter the Bark Park.
7. Puppies under four months old are not permitted in the Bark Park.
8. Gates must be closed at all times.
9. Each dog owner/handler must remain at the Bark Park with their dog, clean up after the dog and monitor its behavior.
10. Each dog owner/handler is responsible for all actions of the dog while in the Bark Park and is personally responsible for any damages caused by that dog, including any bites it inflicts on another dog or person.
11. If a dog becomes aggressive, the dog owner/handler shall remove it from the Bark Park.
12. Holes dug by a dog shall be immediately repaired by the dog owner/handler.
13. Violation of these Rules by dogs and their owners/handlers shall cause them to be removed from the Bark Park and may cause them to be suspended from future Bark Park use.
14. The Saginaw County Parks Commission and the County of Saginaw assumes no responsibility for owners/handlers and/or their dog(s) injured in the Bark Park or on park amenities, including but not limited to benches, picnic table and agility obstacles.
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EXHIBIT VIII

PRICE NATURE CENTER CAMPGROUND RULES

The following constitutes the Rules established for the Price Nature Center Campground:

1. Campground reservations extend from 3:00pm on the date of the reservation and end at 11:00am on the following reserved date. Campers shall promptly vacate the campground at that time.
2. Groups of ten (10) or more persons may use certain designated camping areas within the Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission property for the purpose of camping by making application and being granted a permit by the Parks Commission. Publicly recognized groups or organizations will be given preference in the scheduling of reservations.
3. Camping accommodations shall be restricted to tents (ground camping). RV's, motor homes, trailers or sleeping in vehicles is prohibited.
4. Vehicular parking shall be restricted to designated areas only.
5. All fires shall be restricted to available fire circles. All fires must be extinguished before leaving the campsite or when no longer in view of the camper, such as when a camper retires to their tent for the evening. Campers may be personally responsible for any damage caused by their unattended fires.
6. A limited amount of firewood is provided for camp sites. Cutting down trees or shrubs for firewood is strictly prohibited.

Persons violating these Rules shall be prohibited from camping at the applicable facility and shall be removed from the facility.

EXHIBIT IX

FREEDOM OF SPEECH ACTIVITIES

The Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission has long recognized freedom of speech, press, religion and public assembly. However, the courts have held that certain activities associated with exercising these rights may be reasonably regulated to protect park resources and the public's legitimate use of the park's resources.

First Amendment activities may require a Special Use Permit in advance of the activity and the park may regulate the time, place and manner of the activity in accordance with law.

The necessity of a permit to conduct First Amendment activities is determined by the group size, event location and special needs.

A small group is defined as "25 people or less." A "small group" is not required to obtain a Special Use Permit if they are located within the designated First Amendment Assembly Area (maps available online and in person at Saginaw County Parks Administrative Office) and have no more than leaflets, booklets and/or handheld signs. A permit is required for any small group that:

- Wants to hold a demonstration or distribute and/or sell printed matter outside the designated First Amendment Assembly Area.
- Wants to use equipment (i.e. tables, banners, platforms, etc.) even if it is within the designated area.
- Is merely the extension of another group already availing itself of the 25-person maximum.
- Wants to guarantee that they will have priority for the use of a location, including the designated First Amendment Assembly Area.

A large group is defined as "more than 25 people" and is required to obtain a Special Use Permit even if they are utilizing the designated First Amendment Assembly Area.

Special examples of activities that fall under First Amendment rules include the following:

- Distribution of printed matter
- Political speeches
- Religious services
- Public assemblies
- Collecting signatures for petitions

All requests for similar activities are treated equally. As long as permit criteria and requirements are met, no group wishing to assemble lawfully will be discriminated against or denied the right of assembly.

When permits are issued for First Amendment activities, there are no fees or costs, and no insurance is required for the activities.

Please contact the park for assistance and/or additional information at 989-790-5280



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