

**CROMWELL RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
PARK USE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- 1) Use of any facilities in the park is entirely voluntary. The Town of Cromwell, Cromwell Recreation and Parks Departments and their agents are not responsible for lost or stolen property, personal injury or property damage.
- 2) No person shall vandalize any town property. Violators of this will be arrested and prosecuted.
- 3) Persons using the park will leave it in the same or cleaner condition than when they arrived. All trash shall be placed in the barrels or sealed trash bags, placed next to the barrels when leaving. No cans or bottles will be left on the ground. If recycling barrels are available, these will be used in the correct manner. If this rule is not abided by, the contact person may be asked to return the next day to clean the area and/or denied access to facilities in the future.
- 4) The consumption of alcoholic beverages (includes beer) within Town property is not allowed. To obtain an exemption from this town ordinance, a user must obtain a use permit from the Recreation Department and then apply to the Police Department for the exemption permit. Upon authorization of this, alcohol (or beer) may only be consumed in the location approved. No one in the group may walk around other areas with alcohol. Intoxicated persons are prohibited from the park areas.
- 5) It is prohibited to:
  - a. Carry or discharge firearms or fireworks in the park.
  - b. Hit golf balls.
  - c. Drive a motorized vehicle (cars, motorcycles, ATV, mini-bikes) on grass areas. The only exception is transportation for disabled residents.
  - d. Play loud or inappropriate music in the parks.
  - e. Be intoxicated in the parks.
  - f. Not abide by Town Ordinances or State Laws.
- 6) On November 17, 1994, Town Ordinance Chapter 82 was revised with Section 82-1 and 82-2 making it illegal to have dogs unleashed on public grounds (this includes all parks, greens and ball fields) and owners must clean up after the animal. For complete ordinance call the Town Clerk's Office.
- 7) Motorists shall abide by all traffic control signs.
- 8) Exclusive group use of picnic areas, ball fields or other facilities located within town parks requires a permit from the Recreation Department office. Group means family, friends of 10 or more people. Taxpayers or residents of the Town of Cromwell may request a park use date up to one year in advance of that date. Reservations for park use by others will not be accepted until after March 1 for that calendar year. Reservations for facilities are not available until after town sanctioned league schedules are obtained and approved by the Recreation Department office. Reservations are taken on a first come first serve basis based on the above information. Reservations not confirmed in writing with the application form two weeks prior to the event are lost and that date/facility becomes available to the other persons. Permit holders have priority over any other users of facilities. The only exception is the skate park where exclusive use is not allowed, but if a group is using it or

running an activity using the skate park, they must get a permit and provide an insurance certificate, so town is aware of the usage.

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User Fees for Park Picnic/Other Facilities Areas:

- a. \$50 for out of town non-profit groups and/or families.
- b. \$100 for out of town profit making organizations.
- c. \$150 for out of town large group non-profit groups and/or families.
- d. \$300 for out of town large group profit making organizations.
- e. Large groups are approximately 150 or more people. All organizations and large groups are required to obtain insurance certificates to hold the town harmless for their event. See the enclosed reference sheet for what is required. Call the office for further explanation if needed. Must be returned with application form.

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Groups who wish to set-up tables and/or booths for the purpose of fund raising for their particular cause will not be allowed to run in conjunction with a Recreation Department sponsored event. A reservation for a picnic area to do a fundraiser may be requested. The fund raising event must be approved by the Recreation Department office and be a recognized charity or group.

11)

Parks will be open at the posted hours. No one shall be in parks before or after these hours. If not posted, parks open at sunrise and close at sunset. Programs and activities sanctioned by the Recreation Department may exceed this time frame but must be included on the schedule given the department prior to the start of the activity/program. All lights, except security lighting shall be off no later than 10:00 p.m.

12)

No person shall conduct or participate in any activity that infringes on the rights of others or the functions of normal activities and approved activities of the Recreation and Parks Departments.

Approved by the Board of Selectmen March 2011