



Park Policies

Park Hours

Gardner Parks and Recreation parks are open 7:00 am to 11:00 pm seven days a week, unless participating in a scheduled event.

General Park Rules

The following are not permitted in our parks:

- Alcoholic Beverages
- Drugs
- Smoking – within 30 ft of the entrance.
- Fireworks
- Open Fires and Weapons
- Littering

Inappropriate Behavior

Gardner Parks and Recreation provides family friendly facilities. Inappropriate behavior by any person(s) will not be tolerated. Inappropriate behavior includes but is not limited to verbal abuse of staff or other participants, vandalism of township property, inappropriate activities during a function, putting others at risk, etc. Staff has the authority to remove any person(s) or close any function that demonstrates this type of inappropriate behavior.

Restrooms

Restroom facilities are provided at certain parks. These facilities are open during park hours. Restroom facilities are closed from early November through early April, depending on the weather.

Playgrounds

Playgrounds are provided for the enjoyment of our youngsters in a number of our parks. The following basic playground rules are recommended for the safety of everyone.

- Adult supervision is required for children 12 and under
- Report any damage or vandalism to the Parks and Recreation Director as soon as possible
- Do not use equipment when wet or material is frozen
- Do not use play equipment improperly
- Proper footwear is required

Lost and Found

Gardner Parks and Recreation is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Items found should be turned in to the Parks and Recreation Customer Service Desk at City Hall. Items not claimed after 30 days will be donated to charity. All inquires regarding lost items can refer to the Parks and Recreation Customer Service Desk.

Visitors with Dogs

By walking a dog within the Gardner Parks system, you agree to abide by the following rules, which are intended to ensure that all visitors have a safe and comfortable visit.

- Dogs must be leashed and are not permitted to run at large. Leash should not exceed 6 ft.
- Dogs are not allowed inside any sports complex or soccer/football fields.
- Owners must properly dispose of waste immediately.
- Owners are responsible for any injury or damage caused by their dog.

General Solicitation, Selling, Advertising

No individual or group shall set up or maintain any exhibit, show, concert, sermon or similar activity at any Gardner Parks and Recreation Facility without the approval of the Director.

No individual or group shall solicit donations or vend, offer for sale or dispose of any goods or merchandise or similar activities at any Gardner Parks and Recreation Facility unless authorized by the director.

No individual or group shall distribute, circulate, give away or deposit any flyers, pamphlets, advertisements or similar materials at any Gardner Parks and Recreation facility unless authorized by the director.

No individual or group shall install, place or hold any banner or signage similar device at any Gardner Parks and Recreation Facility without approval and designated location by the director.

Unless specifically addressed, the provisions of this section shall also apply to political speech activities.

No amplified music is allowed in any city park for non-city sponsored events. Food trucks are not allowed on City property for non-city sponsored events without a Temporary Use Permit from the Community Development Department.