



PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

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The parks of the Recreation and Parks District # 3 of Livingston Parish (PARDS) are established and maintained as areas of recreation and enjoyment for all citizens of the parish. It is the responsibility of PARDS to ensure proper use of park property, safety and equitable access. The following policies have been developed to govern all activities conducted at PARDS parks.

General Park Rules:

- A. Commercial, religious, civic, or political groups must request the use of parks and facilities for events and activities following the same procedures as other groups. If a group desires to use a park for commercial, religious, civic, or political reasons and has participants, then the groups may rent a park site and coordinate through the PARDS Policy (rental information available online at pardsla.com). All events and activities of a commercial, religious, civic, or political nature must comply with all PARDS policies, local ordinances, and state laws. Any assembly of 20 or more people not engaged in a structured recreational activity can be disbanded and members of group removed from park property by PARDS staff or law enforcement.
- B. All PARDS parks have posted hours of operation. No unauthorized person(s) is allowed on park grounds nor may activities be held before or after posted hours without prior written permission from PARDS.
- C. No pets allowed on park grounds. Dogs are allowed at the South Park Dog Park located at 7510 Vincent Dr.
- D. No alcoholic beverages may be brought onto or sold on PARDS properties unless prior approval by PARDS and have met all required park policies and state & local laws.
- E. Gambling or games of chance are prohibited on PARDS property.
- F. Firearms, explosives and weapons of any type are prohibited in all park areas.
- G. Fireworks of any type are prohibited in all parks without permit and PARDS approval.
- H. Smoking/vaping of tobacco products are not permitted in public parks.
- I. Amplified music, sound systems and voice amplification devices are not permitted without written consent from PARDS. Personal music players are allowed but at no time can music interfere with other programs on site or the immediate surroundings.

- J.** Use of fire is prohibited except in grills. Grill must not be left unattended and shall be fully extinguished before leaving. All charcoal from grills, grease from fryers, etc. must be taken with you when you leave. Dumping of charcoal, grease or impure water onto park grounds is prohibited.
- K.** Seafood boils are prohibited at all parks without written approval from PARDS.
- L.** All parks are gated for safety and to prevent vehicles from driving onto grass or in unauthorized areas. No vehicles are allowed outside designated parking spaces. Driving off park roads or through PARDS service gates is prohibited.
- M.** Parking of commercial vehicles, buses, freight carrying vehicles and RV's on park property at any time is prohibited without prior written approval from PARDS. Overnight stays and camping are not allowed on park grounds without written approval from PARDS.
- N.** Motorized recreational vehicles of any type or size are prohibited in PARDS parks, including but not limited to, trails, sidewalks, grass areas, lakes and ponds basketball court, tennis/pickleball courts.
- O.** Bicycles, skateboards, scooters, etc. are prohibited on walking trails, cart paths, tracks, tennis/pickleball courts, basketball courts and sport complexes.
- P.** Sale of merchandise, food and beverage, solicitation of fees or donations, or conducting any type of business or event, including distribution of flyers, signs or other advertising mediums is prohibited without written permission from PARDS.
- Q.** Golf practice is not allowed on any designated recreational sport fields or complex.
- R.** Picnic pavilions are free of charge but require a reservation. Reservation for all pavilions can be obtained at the Anthony "Tony" Dugas Recreation Center or by calling (225) 665-5405. The proof of the reservation is required during the date and time of the event. Pavilions are first come first serve, if unoccupied, without a prior reservation. The user, without proof of reservation, must vacate pavilion upon arrival of the reserved party.
- S.** Areas designated for PARDS organized sports or events are reserved for exclusive PARDS use during league scheduled practices and game times. Availability for use or rental can be obtained by calling (225) 665-6505.
- T.** Designated areas and sport complexes are restricted for any use if PARDS deems playing surface or field conditions are unplayable or at risk of damage to the property.
- U.** Trash receptacles are for park use and not for residential or commercial off site generated waste.
- V.** All posted speed limit and no parking signs must be obeyed.
- W.** Foul language, inappropriate behavior, damage to property, drug use and fighting are prohibited on park grounds.
- X.** Noncompliance of posted signs within the parks and website shall be enforced by PARDS staff or law enforcement which may result in the immediate expulsion or banning from park property.