Park Rules

Regular Park Rules

Ordinance Number 598 Sec. 10.5-19.- **Rules and regulations**

Unless City authorization is obtained prior to use, it shall be unlawful for any person in the city parks to:

1. Bring alcoholic beverages into, or be under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, while in the public park or recreation facility.
2. Operate or park any vehicle in public parks and recreational facilities except on the roadways and parking areas provided and/or designated for this purpose, nor shall any vehicle be parked in a manner so as to impede or obstruct the normal safe flow of traffic.
3. Make a fire in the public park and recreational facilities other than in grills, fireplaces or other areas as designated and approved for such use. Charcoal is the only fuel permitted in grills. All fires shall be closely monitored and completely extinguished by persons starting and using them before those persons leave the immediate vicinity.
4. Use designated playing fields, trails and pedestrian ways, and courts for activities other than what they are
5. Engage in the game of golf or driving of golf balls unless in the area specifically designated for that purpose.

6. Improper use of public park and recreational facilities, property, equipment or the natural environment. Anyone in violation of this regulation shall be held responsible for payment of all damages.

7. Throw, deposit or leave any litter, refuse or rubbish of any kind in public parks and recreational facilities except in public receptacles and in such manner that the litter, refuse or rubbish will be prevented from being carried by the elements. Where public receptacles are not provided all such litter, refuse or rubbish shall be carried away from the area by the person responsible for its presence and properly disposed of elsewhere.

8. Carry or possess any BB gun, airgun, spring gun, slingshot, bow, or other weapon in which the propelling force is spring or air, in public parks or recreational facilities.

9. For a parent or guardian to permit a child under the age of six years to make use of public park and recreational facilities without providing for direct supervision of the child.

10. To ride or use bicycles, skateboards, scooters, skates, or similar equipment in public park and recreational facilities except in areas so designated for such use.

11. Except as provided by law, bring any animals into Veterans Memorial Park. Pets are permitted at all other parks. Pets are not allowed within any playground area or splash pad. Pet owners are responsible for the clean-up of their animal’s waste. Pets must be vaccinated and tagged. Pets must be leashed except at Waggin’ Trail Dog Park. All animals under investigation for dangerous classification, animals classified as dangerous, or ordered by an animal control authority to be quarantined are prohibited.
12. Offer for sale or rent any goods, articles, privileges, commodities or services whatsoever or solicit for any purpose in any recreational facility.

13. Kill, injure, harm, capture, chase, feed, poison, remove or introduce any wildlife, animal, bird or egg. Fishing is only permitted in designated areas. State fishing licenses must be shown upon request.

14. Use any park or recreational facility for washing, repairing or servicing, other than for emergency repair, of any vehicle designed for self-propulsion. Abandonment of such vehicle is prohibited. If mechanical disablement occurs, immediate steps must be taken for removal.

15. Operate a licensed or nonlicensed motorized vehicle upon nature trails, pedestrian paths, and bikeways specifically designated and established for such use.

16. Operate a nonlicensed motorized vehicle in any park or recreational facility.

17. Utilize any type of electronic metal-detecting or similar device in any recreational facility. Digging of holes is prohibited.

18. Parks owned by the city shall open 30 minutes prior to sunrise of each day and close at 30 minutes after sundown of each day. Any person or persons found in a park at any other hours than as set forth herein, shall be considered as a trespasser or trespassers as set forth in Florida Statutes.

19. Shave, shower, or bathe in any water fountain, restroom, or body of water.

20. Leave any temporary or portable structures, or equipment, overnight.

21. Bathe, swim, wade or play in any lake, retention area or other water body.

22. Operate any boat, canoe or watercraft in any lake, retention area or other water body.

23. Launching, flying over, or landing drones, other unmanned aerial vehicles including remote control aircraft, and aircraft in general.
24. Notwithstanding the aforementioned provisions, the presence or absence of signage shall not be a defense to the violation of any provision of this section.

Waggin’ Trail Dog Park Rules and Regulations

All references to the word “Guardian(s)” in these Rules shall mean the owners, custodians and/or caretakers of the dog(s).

Enter this park at your own risk. The City of Orange City does not actively supervise the use of the dog park area; anyone using the area does so at his/her own risk. Guardians agree that by using the dog park they are assuming the full risk of any injuries, damages, or loss connected with or associated with use of the dog park. Owners (and in some cases, Guardians) are legally and financially responsible for their dogs and any injuries, damage or loss caused by them.

1. The dog park is segregated into separate areas for large dogs and small dogs. Owners are fully responsible for choosing the appropriate area for their dog. Be aware that large dogs might mistake small dogs for prey.
2. Dogs that have been declared dangerous or aggressive are prohibited.
3. All Guardians must have proof of their dog’s current rabies vaccination and license. The Bordetella vaccination for your dog is also encouraged.
4. Children must be at least 6 years of age and accompanied by a parent or guardian to enter the park. Children 6-15 years old must be accompanied by an adult and must have a dog to enter the dog park area.
5. Puppies under four months old are not permitted in the park for their safety and health.
6. Limit three dogs per person per visit.
7. Dogs in heat are not allowed.
8. Please pick up after your dog and dispose of feces properly.
9. Dogs must be on a leash when entering and exiting the dog park. Guardians must carry a leash for each dog while inside the dog area and the dogs must be under voice command at all times.
10. Animals other than dogs are not allowed.
11. Leaving dogs unattended is prohibited. All Guardians must remain in the park with their dog(s) at all times.
12. Guardians shall not abandon their dog(s) in the park in accordance with Florida State Statute 828.13.
13. If your dog is annoying, barking persistently or provoking other dogs or persons, then you and your dog must leave the premises.
14. Mounting can initiate a potentially harmful situation. The Guardian of any dog displaying mounting behavior must immediately leash and remove the dog from the situation.
15. Guardians must stop dogs from digging and must immediately fill all holes caused by the dog.
16. Guardians must use caution when bringing dog toys to the park since fights could erupt.
17. No alcoholic beverages or glass containers are allowed in the park.
18. The City of Orange City has the authority to close the park or sections of the park for any reason including maintenance, mowing, weather related problems, special events, or for the public’s safety and/or health.
19. Use of the park for dog shows, classes, club meets, or other events shall require a facility rental agreement and/or a special event permit.

Violation of the rules may result in suspension of the Guardian and/or the dog from the dog park and even trespassing charges being filed. The decision on whether to suspend or file trespassing charges shall be at the sole discretion of
the City’s personnel.

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**Skate Park Rules**

1. The Orange City skate park allows for the use of skateboards, scooters, in-line skates and BMX bikes ONLY.

2. Using of this skate park represents an “inherent risk” as defined by Florida Statute 316.0085 assumed by the user. The City of Orange City does not assume responsibility for injuries per this statute. “Use of the park is at your own risk. Know your own abilities and limits”.

3. The use of the park is permitted during posted times only of sun up to sun down. Use of the park after posted hours is considered trespassing.

4. All minor participants must wear an ANSI-approved helmet with a securely fastened chinstrap. We strongly recommend that all users wear a helmet, elbow pads, kneepads and wrist guards. Park usage will not be permitted to anyone unwilling to abide by the helmet rules stated above. Closed toes shoes and shirts are required.

5. Children age ten (10) and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times.

6. Skating is permitted within the skate park and not on park structures not specifically designed for that purpose. Skaters must not ride against traffic on pipes and rails and must not proceed on down ramp until it is clear of other riders.

7. Movable obstacles or outside materials (e.g. ramps/jumps) are not permitted.

8. The use of food, gum, beverages, or glass containers is prohibited in the active riding area.

9. Animals are not allowed in the active riding area.
10. Tagging, vandalism and graffiti is prohibited.
11. Prior written approval by the City Manager is required for formal contests or organized activities.
12. The skate park is closed when wet, raining, and lightning or during maintenance periods.
13. Persons improperly using the skate park property, equipment or the natural environment shall be held responsible for any damages.
14. No amplified music, horseplay, fighting, profanity or drugs are allowed in any way.
15. The use of motorized vehicles or wax is not allowed in the park. Only approved devices are permitted in the active riding area.
16. Notwithstanding the aforementioned provisions, the presence or absence of signage shall not be a defense to the violation of any provision of this section.
17. The City of Orange City reserves the right to restrict entry to the facility and ask individuals to leave the park if these guidelines are not followed or unsafe behavior is observed.

Florida Statute 316.005: Any person who participates in or assists in skateboarding or in-line skating assumes the known and unknown inherent risks in these activities irrespective of age, and is legally responsible for all damages, injury or death to himself or herself or other persons or property which result from these activities. Any person who observes skateboarding or in-line skating assumes the known and unknown in the inherent risks in these activities irrespective of age and is legally responsible for all damages, injury or death to himself or herself which result from these activities.

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**Splash Park Rules**

1. The City reserves the right to restrict entry to the
Splash Park and may, at the City’s sole discretion, ask individuals to leave if these rules are not followed or unsafe behavior is observed.

2. The City of Orange City does not actively supervise the use of the Veterans Memorial and Mill Lake Splash Parks; anyone using the area does so at his/her own risk.

3. The splash pad is open daily from 10AM-6PM during the season, April through October.

4. The maximum capacity of each Splash Park is 20, per Chapter 64E-9.002(2), F.A.C. Priority access to the Splash Park is given to Orange City residents.

5. Schools, preschools, daycares, camps, and afterschool programs must schedule use of the Splash Park with the Parks and Recreation Superintendent. Only one program will be allowed to access a Splash Park per day.

6. All adults age 18 and over must be accompanied by a child, age 12 and under, at all times, limited to a maximum of 2 adults per child.

7. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times or you will be asked to leave.

8. You must shower before entering the Splash Park. Bathing in the Splash Park is prohibited.

9. Persons with a stomach illness who are experiencing diarrhea or a digestive disorder are prohibited per Chapter 64E-9.009 (10) F.A.C.

10. Children who are not toilet trained must wear a disposable swim diaper.

11. Do not swallow Splash Park water, it is recirculated and not intended for drinking.

12. No animals are allowed on the splash pad.

13. Persons with open cuts, sores, or infections are prohibited.

14. Pollution of the splash pad, particularly urinating, discharge of fecal matter, spitting, and blowing of the nose, is strictly prohibited.

15. Glass articles, drinks, liquids, food, or food containers are not permitted in the Splash Park per
Chapter 64E-9.004 (4) F.A.C.
16. Secure your personal belongings. The City of Orange City is not responsible for lost or stolen articles.
17. Running, jumping, and rough play are prohibited.
18. Tampering with any equipment, including water jets is strictly prohibited.
19. Skateboards, rollerblades, skates, bikes, scooters, and similar types of recreational equipment are prohibited in the Splash Park.
20. The throwing of stones, debris, trash, or substances of any kind is strictly prohibited.
21. Electronic devices of any kind are prohibited when using the Splash Park.
22. The Splash Park will not operate during inclement weather.
23. The City reserves the right to close the Splash Park at any time due to safety, weather, maintenance, or other operational concerns.