# Township of South Londonderry, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

# Ordinance number 147

South Londonderry Township Park Rules and Regulations

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the authority of the corporation of South Londonderry Township, by its Board of Supervisors and it is hereby ordered and enacted by the authority of same.

## Section I: Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to set forth rules and regulations governing the use of public parks owned by South Londonderry Township and providing penalties for violation thereof.

## Section II: Hours of Operation

- 2.1 All parks shall be opened daily to the public at such hours as the Board of Supervisors may from time to time designate, but in no event shall any person be permitted to be in attendance in any park between sunset and sunrise without special permission form the Board of Supervisors or Township Manager.
- 2.2 In the event of hazardous conditions endangering life or property, and Township Park may be closed at the discretion of Township Management or a duly authorized agent. Township management shall be defined as the Township Manager, Secretary/Treasurer, Public Works Superintendent, or a sworn Police Officer of the Township.

# Section III: Scheduling

- 3.1 The use of all Township parks shall be on a first come, first served basis unless otherwise reserved.
- 3.2 Scheduled use of park facilities for all organized group instruction, exhibition and practice, competition, and demonstration events requires prior application approval from the Township. Requests for park reservations shall be made in writing on such forms as prescribed by the Township. Applications must be submitted no less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the requested reservation and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$150.00. Such deposit will be returned following the event and after the reserved park is inspected for damage, and cleanliness by Township Personnel.
- 3.3 The Township Manager, or in his/her absence the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors are authorized to grant or deny reservation requests.
- 3.4 The Township reserves the right to deny any request for park usage, if in the opinion of the Township, the health, safety and welfare of the public is endangered.

## Section IV: Activities Prohibited

- 4.1 The use of threatening, abusive, insulting, profane or obscene language or words. Disturbing the peace by any conduct so as to annoy any other person using the park for recreational or approved purposes.
- 4.2 The consumption or possession of alcoholic beverage.
- 4.3 Golfing and/or the use of golf equipment
- 4.4 Cooking or open fires of any type except in permitted facilities or areas specially designated for that purpose
- 4.5 Littering. Disposal of trash or recyclables is restricted to the containers provided
- 4.6 Removal or tampering of any vegetation or any park property
- 4.7 Horseback riding
- 4.8 Hunting, trapping or the possession of firearms or hunting equipment. Prohibited weapons shall also include B-B guns, paintball guns, pellet guns, or any type of archery equipment. (Duly appointed law enforcement officers of the commonwealth or its political subdivisions (or retired officers with a permit) are exempt from this provision.)
- 4.9 Soliciting funds, donations of any type, or distributing religious or political literature
- 4.10 Skateboarding or roller activity
- 4.11 In the event an entire park is reserved for a special event which may involve any of the above mentioned prohibited activities an exception MAY be made by the Township Manager or Board of Supervisors. Requests must be made at the time of application and following review. The person reserving the park is responsible for any activities that violate the terms of the reservation.

#### Section V: Children

5.1 Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent or a person acting in loco parentis.

#### Section VI: Motor Vehicles

- 6.1 The operation of licensed motor vehicles is restricted to roads and parking areas only.
- 6.2 Operation of any non-licensed motor vehicles, including snowmobiles, mini-bikes, motorcycles, dirt bikes, or any other vehicles, recreational or otherwise, except on designated roads, trails or areas set aside for their use, is prohibited unless otherwise designated.
- 6.3 Vehicles shall park in only designated parking spaces, as designated by signs and/or parking bollards.
- 6.4 The motor vehicle speed limit, except as otherwise posted, shall be five (5) miles per hour.
- 6.5 Washing, waxing, or any type of mechanical repairs to vehicles while in any Township park is not permitted except for emergency road service or repairs.

#### Section VII: Restrictions on pets

7.1 Pets are permitted in parks provided they are on a leash, attended to and under their owner's control at all times

- 7.2 Pets shall be kept off athletic fields and playgrounds
- 7.3 Owners must clean up all waste from their pets

## Section VIII: Commercial or Promotional Activities Restricted

8.1 No commercial or promotional activities are permitted in Township parks without the expressed written consent of the Township Board of Supervisors

### Section IX: Violations

- 9.1 Township employees shall have the authority to give direction to the public and to enforce these rules and regulations
- 9.2 Violations of these rules and regulations shall constitute a violation of Township Ordinance number 147 of 2002. Violators upon conviction in summary proceedings held before a District Justice may be subject to a maximum fine of \$300.00 and in default in payment of such fines and costs, to imprisonment in the Lebanon County Prison for not more than five (5) days.

# Section X: Repealer

If any section or clause of this Ordinance shall be adjudged, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions which shall be deemed severable there from.

Ordained and enacted the Hth day of June, 2002.

ATTEST:

Secretary

Township Board of Supervisors

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