

VIRGINIA BEACH PARKS & RECREATION

2016 park regulations

Event Permits

Event permits must be secured no less than 30 days prior to event date and require a paid shelter reservation. Items requiring a permit include but are not limited to:

- Amplified sound
- Commercial cookers
- Food vending
- Amusements
- Non-food vending
- Staging
- Merchandise sales
- Fundraising
- Generator
- Raffles
- Mechanical rides
- Petting zoo
- Pony rides
- Live entertainment/DJ
(may require a play list and is subject to a radio-edit format)
- Filming (City Code 4-1)

COMMERCIAL Rental Permits

Commercial rental permits are required for individuals or organizations wishing to utilize a City of Virginia Beach park for commercial business purposes for which a fee is collected by the business owner or designee and must be secured no less than 30 days prior to start of class or event date. Commercial businesses include but are not limited to:

- Organized camps
- Exercise classes
- Boot camps
- Personal training
- Surf camps
- Eco tours
- Paddle sports
- Instructional classes
- Tennis instruction

Courteous conduct is expected from all those using park facilities. Disruptive language or behavior (such as profanity and language or behavior that is profane, vulgar, sexual, ethnically degrading, disrespectful or threatening) is prohibited.

- If you are renting a park shelter, please check-in with onsite park staff upon arrival. Bring your shelter receipt and/or event permit with you.
- Please observe posted park closing times. Trespassing and night time use of city parks is prohibited. (City Code 23-43 and 23-43.2)
- All pets must be on a leash and under control at all times. Please "Scoop the Poop." (City Code 5-531)
- Do not feed park wildlife, including squirrels, ducks, geese, or other waterfowl, at any park site. (City Code 5-547)
- Parking is not guaranteed with permitted events, wedding and shelter rentals.
- **Balloons, balloon activities and water balloons are prohibited in the parks.**
- Parking fees required at Little Island Park beginning the Friday of Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Monday.
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.
- Use of staples, nails, and tacks are prohibited for hanging items from picnic shelters and other park amenities.
- Parks & Recreation is not responsible for valuables left in parked vehicles or for other items left in the parks.

For your safety and the safety of others...

- Sporting activities are allowed only in designated playing areas/fields. Some areas may be posted as "CLOSED" due to unsafe conditions.
- Please observe all posted traffic, parking, and speed signs. The speed limit is 5 mph unless otherwise posted.
- Parking is only allowed in designated parking spaces. Motorized vehicles (including utility carts, golf carts and ATVs) are prohibited on playing fields, picnic areas, sidewalks, or any other grassy areas of the parks without permission by staff.
- Individuals will be held responsible for damage to park amenities, including landscaping.

PROHIBITED items & activities

- Alcoholic beverages
- Washing vehicles
- Hitting golf balls
- Horseback riding
- Hunting and archery
- Sidewalk chalk
- Water inflatables/activities
- Balloons, balloon activities, and water balloons
- Flying motor-powered or remote-controlled aircraft, rockets, gliders, or any unmanned aircraft systems
- Profanity
- Camping
- Silly string
- Confetti
- Kiddie pools
- Frying
- Dunk tanks

Food Preparation

- Fires are allowed in grills only. Backyard propane and charcoal grills must be placed at least 20 feet away from all park structures. Please see onsite park staff for charcoal/ash disposal instructions. Grilling and fires are not allowed on park beaches.
- No frying of any kind is allowed in the park. This includes turkey fryers, deep fat fryers, skilletts, and electric frying pans.

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