

# **CONDUCT CODE**

**of the**

**Deerfield Park  
District**

**ORDINANCE 2017-03**

**Deerfield Park District  
836 Jewett Park Drive  
Deerfield, IL 60015**

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2017-03**

**DEERFIELD PARK DISTRICT**

**AN ORDINANCE CODIFYING RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE CONTROL OF PERSONS AND ACTIVITIES IN THE DEERFIELD PARK DISTRICT.**

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WHEREAS, it is desirable to set forth the various rules and regulations of DEERFIELD PARK DISTRICT pertaining to use of the parks and other facilities of the District and affecting personal conduct of patrons and employees of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the Deerfield Park District, in Lake and Cook Counties, Illinois, as follows:

This Ordinance shall be known as the "Conduct Code of the Deerfield Park District" and the same may be so cited by reference to the appropriate section or sections hereof, as hereinafter set forth, for purposes of identification.

This Ordinance shall apply to, and be enforced in, all the parks and roadways, parking lots, waters, structures and other property of every kind owned or leased by Deerfield Park District, now or hereafter, whether within or outside the boundaries of the said District.

The following is hereby declared to be the Code of the Deerfield Park District:

**SECTION I.** For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms shall have the definitions given herein:

- A. "District" is the Deerfield Park District, Lake and Cook Counties, Illinois.
- B. "Board" is the Board of Park Commissioners of the Deerfield Park District.
- C. "Executive Director" is the Executive Director, the chief administrative officer of the District.
- D. "Park" is any playfield, playground, golf course, swimming pool, ice skating rink, open area, building or parts thereof or other facility and the materials and equipment therein owned, leased or in use by the District.
- E. "Person" is any individual, firm, partnership, group, association, corporation, governmental unit, company or organization of any kind, except the District, its employees and Board members while said employees and Board members are engaged in the performance of District duties.
- F. "Vehicle" is any conveyance, whether motor powered or self-propelled, except baby carriages, wheelchairs and conveyances in use by the District.
- G. "Village" is the Village of Deerfield, Lake and Cook Counties, Illinois and the Village of Riverwoods, Lake County, Illinois.

H. Abbreviations herein:

Deerfield/Dfld  
Riverwoods/Rvrwds  
Ordinance/Ord  
Illinois Compiled Statutes/ILCS

**SECTION 2. GAMES AND SPORTS:**

No person shall engage in any sport, game, amusement or exercise in any part of the Park except at such places and times as may be designated by the Executive Director and then only under such rules as are prescribed. Nor shall any given person walk, remain, or conduct himself/herself upon such portion of the Park designated for any particular game, sport, amusement or exercise in such way as to interfere with the use of such portion by persons who are using the same for the particular sport, game, amusement or exercise for which it has been designated. No person shall engage in any activity in a rough or reckless manner so as to endanger, injure or damage persons or property in any way.

**SECTION 3. CLOSING HOURS:**

The park facilities for the District shall be closed at dusk until daybreak the following morning except at park facilities having lighted athletic fields, in which case the closing hour is 11:00 o'clock P.M. Closing hours of neighborhood or community recreation centers and swimming pools shall be specified from time to time by the Executive Director. No person or property of any kind shall remain in the parks after closing time without permission from the Executive Director.

**SECTION 4. INTERFERENCE WITH POLICE OFFICERS:**

No person shall:

1. Resist any officer of the Village of Deerfield Police Department, and/or Village of Riverwoods Police Department in the discharge of his/her duties.
2. In any way interfere with or hinder or prevent him/her from discharging his/her duty as such officer, or offer or endeavor to do so;
3. In any manner assist any person in the custody of any member of the police force to escape or attempt to escape from such custody, or attempt to rescue any person in custody.

Dfld M.C. 1975, Sec. 15-17  
ILCS 5/3

**SECTION 5. PRIVATE ENTREPRENEURS:**

No person within any Park or on its borders shall offer professional personal training or athletic instruction, announce, advertise, or call the public attention in any way to any article, or service for sale or hire; nor shall any person station or place any table, stand, cart or vehicle for transportation in any Park except a regularly licensed concessionaire or other person acting under an official authorization of the Board.

See Solicitations for Dfld Code  
Rvrwds Ord 3/3/6

**SECTION 6. ADVERTISING:**

No person shall paste, glue, tack or otherwise affix or post any sign, placard, advertisement, or inscription whatever, nor erect or cause to be erected any sign whatever on any structure or thing in a Park, except as authorized by the Executive Director.

Dfld Ord 15-26  
Rvrwds Ord 4-3-4

**SECTION 7. FIRE AND FIREWORKS PROHIBITED; EXCEPTIONS:**

1. No person shall offer for sale, expose for sale, sell, possess, or use, or explode any blank cartridge, (except use in starter pistols for sporting or athletic events), toy pistol, toy cannon, toy cane or toy gun in which explosives are used; the type of balloon which requires fire underneath to propel the same, firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, roman candles, bombs, sparklers or other fireworks of like construction, or any fireworks containing any explosive or inflammable compound or any tablets or other device commonly used and sold as fireworks.

2. The Chief of Police or his/her designee may grant permission to a religious, fraternal, or civic organization or to a Village sponsored committee or other groups of individuals or organizations to discharge fireworks within the Village under and pursuant to the following conditions:

A) That the time and place for the discharge of such fireworks be approved by the Chiefs of Police and Fire Departments; and the Park Board of Commissioners if fireworks are scheduled on Park District property.

B) That the discharge of such fireworks be handled by an experienced and competent operator approved by the Chiefs of Police and Fire Departments.

C) That permission shall not be granted by the Village for any person to discharge fireworks of the type commonly known as "bombs" or "torpedoes" or for any fireworks which are designed to detonate and produce noise or concussion except that such "bombs" or "torpedoes" may be discharged in connection with the celebration of any event either approved or sponsored by the Village.

D) If fireworks are to be discharged on Park District property, then the operator of such fireworks shall furnish to the Village and Park District proper property, liability and workmen's compensation insurance policies in such amounts as requested and approval by the Village. Included in such insurance policies shall be a proper save harmless clause to protect the Park District and the Village.

E) That all insurance policies shall be approved as to form and sufficiency before permission is granted herein.

F) That the operator of such fireworks shall comply with any further conditions as the Village and Park District may request.

DfId M.C. 1975, Sec 15-58  
Rvrwds Ord 5-1E-5

**FIRES** - No person shall light or make use of any fires in the Parks, except at such place as may be established for such purposes (i.e. designated cooking grills) or at such events as approved by the Fire Department and Park District.

**SECTION 8. WEAPONS:**

No person shall bring, carry or use knives, firearms, explosive substances or weapons of any kind on Park District property excluding Officers of the Deerfield Police Department, and Riverwoods Police Department.

DfId M.C. 1975, Sec. 15-54, 15-55,  
15-56  
ILCS 15/24-1 or applicable village  
Ordinances

**SECTION 9. DISORDERLY CONDUCT:  
INJURING OR DESTROYING PROPERTY:**

No person shall deface, disfigure, break, cut, tamper with or displace or remove in or from any Park and building or part thereof, table, bench, fireplace, coping, lamp post, fence, wall, paving or paving material, water line or other public utility or parts of appurtenances thereof, or sign, notice or placard whether temporary or permanent, equipment, facilities or other Park property or appurtenances whatsoever, either real or personal.

DfId Ord 0-75-58 1

No person shall commit any act or use language which may be considered threatening, indecent or a breach of peace or any act which may be defined as disorderly conduct under Chapter 38, Section 26-1 et seq., Illinois Revised Statutes.

DfId M.C. 1975 Sec 15-2, 15-4,  
15-29.1  
ILCS 5/26

**SECTION 10. LANDSCAPE:**

No person shall damage, cut, carve, uproot or injure any tree or injure the bark, or pick the flowers or seeds of any tree or plant in any Park; nor shall any person attach any rope, wire or other contrivance to any tree or plant, in any Park. Nor shall any person dig in or otherwise disturb grass areas, or in any other way injure or impair the beauty or usefulness of any Park.

## **SECTION 11. RESTRICTED AREAS:**

No person shall enter upon any portion of the park system where entry is prohibited by the District by sign, or other suitable notice. No person shall enter or attempt to enter any reserved athletic field area, shelter, clubhouse, building or facility in the Park which is closed to the public, or is under construction in an unfinished state, or scheduled for a specific group or activity unless invited to same; nor shall any person not invited or not having paid an admission fee, when such is required, enter an area, building or place when it has been rented or otherwise reserved for a specific user group.

No person shall climb any tree nor climb, walk, stand or sit upon any wall, building, fountain, fence, railing in any Park nor upon any other Park property not designated or customarily used for such purposes.

No person shall remove any soil, rock, stone, trees, shrubs, or plants, duntimber or other wood or materials from any Park nor make any excavation by tool, equipment, blasting, or other means or agency within any Park, except under the direction of the Executive Director.

## **SECTION 12. WATERS:**

No person shall throw, discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any swimming pool, fountain, pond, lake, stream or other body of water in or adjacent to any Park or any tributary, stream, storm sewer, or drain flowing into such waters, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will or may result in the pollution or the hindrance of the use of said waters.

No person shall swim or fish in the waters of the Parks unless permitted to do so by the Executive Director.

## **SECTION 13. REFUSE:**

No person shall bring in or dump, deposit or leave any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, fill, boxes, manure, landscape waste, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage or refuse or other trash or litter in any Park. Paper, glass, cans, garbage and other refuse of every kind, resulting from picnics or other proper use of the park system shall be deposited only in receptacles provided for the purpose, and no person shall litter, suffer or cause the Parks to be littered in any way.

## **SECTION 14. ANIMALS:**

It shall be unlawful for any individual having control of any dog or other animal to cause or permit such animal to be on any lands or properties owned by the Deerfield Park District including without limitation, any street, sidewalk, parking lot or other public place or facility, unless it is on a leash and that such person has in his/her immediate possession a device for the removal and a depository for the transportation of animal excrement from such property. Certain park areas may be designated as "no pet" areas. Others such as the Dog Exercise area at Jaycee Park may be designated as "off leash."

No person shall hunt, molest, harm, frighten, kill, trap, chase, tease, shoot or throw stone, rocks or other missiles at any animal or bird in any Park, nor shall any person remove or have in his/her possession a bird or wild animal or the eggs or nest of any bird or wild animal in any Park.

No person or group shall bring animals into any park or facility for entertainment purposes (i.e. pony rides, petting zoo, etc.) without first contacting the Park District to complete the permit application. The Executive Director shall have the authority to approve or deny any such requests based on the nature of the event. A damage deposit and certificate of insurance naming the Deerfield Park District as an additional insured party may be required from the permit holder.

**SECTION 15. BICYCLES, NON-MOTORIZED SCOOTERS:**

Pathways in the parks are provided for use by pedestrians, bicyclists and non-motorized scooters. Bicycles and non-motorized scooters may be used elsewhere in the parks provided their use will not interfere with other park patrons or activities and provided that their use does not tend to injure, damage or destroy park land or park property. The permitted use of bicycles and non-motorized scooters other than on paved paths is intended for the convenience of the rider, who should exercise due regard for and to the extent reasonably convenient should use existing paths, roadways, parking lots and bicycle racks whenever possible.

Dfld Ord 0-97-28  
(Helmet Ordinance)  
Rvrwds Ord 5-1D-1

**SECTION 16. SKATING, SLEDDING AND SNOWMOBILING:**

No person shall skate, sled, toboggan, snowmobile, ski, slide, scooter or engage in similar activities in the Park System except at such times and places as the District may designate for that purpose, and no person shall engage in such activities in a reckless manner or at a speed greater than is safe and is proper under the circumstances, having due regard for the number and age of the people in such part of the Park System.

Dfld Ord 0-97-28  
(Helmet Ordinance)

**SECTION 17. ALCOHOL, DRUGS AND NARCOTICS:**

No person shall drink, sell, possess, make a gift of or offer for sale within the park, any alcoholic liquor except in accordance with ordinances of the Park District regulating the same. No person shall within the park use, administer, receive, offer for sale, possess, or make available to himself, or any person or animal, any controlled substance.

Dfld M.C. 1975  
Sec 15-23, 15-23.1  
Rvrwds Ord 5-1A-3  
ILCS 5/10-1

No person under eighteen (18) years of age shall knowingly possess any tobacco or smokeless tobacco.

Dfld Ord Sec 15-23, 15-23.1,  
15-23.2, 15-23.3

**SECTION 18. GAMBLING:**

No person shall gamble or commit any act constituting gambling as the same is defined by state statutes.

Dfld M.C. 1963 1975 Sec 15-19  
Rvrwds Ord 5-1B-1  
ILCS 5/28-1

**SECTION 19. LOITERING:**

No person, except for children under four (4) years of age, shall enter into, loiter or remain in any toilet, restroom, bathhouse, pavilion or structure or section thereof, of any Park which has been reserved and designated by the Executive Director for the use of the opposite sex.

It shall be unlawful for any person to loiter, either alone and/or in consort with others in the Parks in such a manner as to:

- > Obstruct any driveway or public sidewalk or ingress or egress to any place or building in the Parks by hindering or impeding or tending to hinder or impede the free and uninterrupted passage of vehicles or pedestrians thereon or therein.
- > Commit in or upon any driveway, public sidewalk or entrance or exit to any public sidewalk or entrance or exit to any public place in the Parks, any act or thing which is an obstruction or interference to the free and lawfully conducted use thereof by anyone.

Dfld M.C. 1975 Sec 15-1  
Rvrwds Ord 5-1A-1

**SECTION 20. PUBLIC INDECENCY:**

No person shall enter, appear, be or remain anywhere in the Parks in a state of nudity or in an indecent or lewd attire.

No person shall expose any part of the body to the public in an indecent or lewd manner, nor speak or make advances in a profane or obscene way, or make any indecent or obscene gestures in any Park. Nor shall any person take, or attempt to take any immoral or indecent liberties with any child or adult of either sex in any Park.

Dfld M.C. 1975 Sec 15-21, 15-22  
ILCS 5/11-9

**SECTION 21. CAMPING:**

No person shall place, erect or use any hammocks, swing, tent or other shelter or otherwise camp or sleep in the Parks, except upon written permission from the Executive Director.

**SECTION 22. NOISE:**

No person shall make, aid or countenance or assist in making loud or raucous noise, riot or disturbance



tending to a breach of the peace in any Park, or be guilty of any disorderly conduct therein or thereon, or collect, with other persons, in bodies or crowds for unlawful purposes.

Dfld M.C. 1975 Sec 15-16, 15-2  
Rvrwds Ord 5-1A-10  
ILCS 5/26

### **SECTION 23. SOLICITING:**

No person shall beg or solicit any alms or any contributions in any Park. Nor shall any person solicit, collect any donations or charge any fees for any service, whether private or public, except fees as charged by the Park and approved by the Board, without first having obtained a written permit from the Board.

Dfld Ord 7-15, 7-18, 7-19  
Rvrwds Ord 3-3-5

### **SECTION 24. PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES:**

No person or organization shall call or hold a public assembly, exhibition or entertainment of any description within the Parks where it is anticipated that more than 50 people will congregate without first obtaining a special permit from the Executive Director, which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

No person shall conduct any musical concert, play upon any amplified instrument nor set up or use any communication system in a Park without first obtaining a permit.

No person shall hold or attempt to hold any meeting, assembly, demonstration, celebration, parade, rally, religious worship, or any sponsored entertainment, social, recreational or athletic event without first obtaining a permit.

Permits will not be issued to a group or individual that will be charging admission or fees with the purpose of private monetary gain. Individuals or groups wishing to apply for a permit to hold fundraising activities for organizations must have approval of the Board of Park Commissioners.

No person issued a permit by the Board or Executive Director shall fail to produce the permit and exhibit it upon request of the Executive Director or Park employee, or Board member or police officer.

No person shall disturb or interfere with any person or party occupying any Park, under the authority of a permit.

Dfld Ord 15-7

### **SECTION 25. MINORS:**

The parent or legal guardian of an unemancipated minor who resides with such parent or legal guardian shall be liable for damages caused by the willful or malicious acts of such minor as provided in 740 ILCS 115/1 et. seq.

Dfld M.C. 1975 Sec. 15-64

## **SECTION 26. VEHICLE PARKING:**

In accordance with provisions of this section (Dfhd M.C. 1975, Sec. 22-64), and when signs are erected and giving notice thereof, no person shall park, or stand any vehicle in any District operated lot unless otherwise specified.

No vehicle shall be parked in any lot for a period in excess of the posted limit and only while participating at a function within the park or a park district related activity.

No vehicles shall be parked in any park district parking lot between the hours of eleven o'clock (11:00) P.M. and six o'clock (6:00) A.M., except for vehicles whose operators have been given permission to do so by the Executive Director or Deerfield / Riverwoods Police Department.

No vehicle shall be parked in the Hazel Street Parking Lot (Jewett Park) for a period in excess of three (3) hours between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) A.M. and eleven o'clock (11:00) P.M., except for vehicles operated by employees of the park district, village and village library. Said employees shall be issued appropriate hang tags by the Executive Director.

Dfhd M.C. 1975 Sec 22

## **SECTION 27. MODEL AIRCRAFT / DRONES**

No person shall fly or cause to be flown or authorize the flying of model aircraft or drones on or over District property unless written authorization has been obtained from the Executive Director unless the District has identified a specific location and time(s) where model aircraft or drones can be flown. In all cases, operators must possess the necessary license(s), certificate of insurance and/or waivers required by the District.

## **SECTION 28. AUTHORITY:**

Whenever a power is granted to or a duty is imposed upon a public officer or employee, the power may be performed by an authority deputy of the Village of Deerfield/Village of Riverwoods or designee or by any person authorized pursuant to law or ordinance, unless this Code expressly provides otherwise.

## **SECTION 29. PENALTY:**

Any person violating or disobeying any provision of the Deerfield Park District Code shall be guilty of a petty offense and may be forthwith evicted from Park District property, may have his or her pass, token or ticket forfeited for the season and may be fined upon conviction, not less than TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00) nor more than FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) for each provision violated, the fine to be recovered in manner and form as provided by law of the Municipal Code of the Villages of Deerfield and Riverwoods. The Village of Deerfield through its Police Force and the Village of Riverwoods through its Police Force and judicial prosecution shall have power to enforce all Sections of this code and prosecute same.

All prior Ordinances of the Deerfield Park District which are in conflict or inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as of the effective date of this Ordinance.

This Ordinance shall be effective from and after its passage and approval in accordance with law.

PASSED: This 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017

APPROVED: This 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017

VOTES: Ayes:        Nays:

RECORDED: This 16<sup>h</sup> day of February, 2017

**GREG LAPIN**

President

ATTEST:

**JEFF NEHILA**

Secretary

I, JEFF NEHILA DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I am the duly appointed, qualified and acting Secretary of the Deerfield Park District and of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Deerfield Park District; and that I have access to the official Minutes of the Meetings of the Board of Park Commissioners and of the Deerfield Park District.


I do Further Certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy (duplicate) of a certain ordinance entitled:

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that the foregoing was passed by the Board of Park Commissioners of said Deerfield Park District on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017, and was on the same day approved by the Secretary of the Deerfield Park District; and it was filed and recorded in the office of the Secretary of the Deerfield Park District of which the foregoing is a true copy (duplicate) and is now on file in the office of such Secretary. Given under my hand and seal of the Deerfield Park District this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

  
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Jeff Nehila, Secretary  
Deerfield Park District  
Deerfield, Illinois

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