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This booklet contains the rules and regulations
which govern public use of parks, open space, trails,
parkways, pathways, recreational facilities
and recreation buildings per the
Code of Laws of the City of Wheat Ridge, Colorado,
Part II, Chapter 17, Articles I and II.

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CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE
PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 17-1. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

Code officer and Community Service Officer (CSO) means an agent of the chief of police, and an officer of the police department empowered by the city to enforce the provisions of this chapter.

Conservation area means all area south of Clear Creek between Kipling St. to Youngfield St., excluding the paved trail from West Lake Bridge (located between West and Tabor Lakes) to Youngfield.

Department means the department of the parks and recreation of the city.

Director means the director of parks and recreation of the city or designee.

Park, parkway, trail, pathway, recreational facility or recreational building means reference to any one park, trail, recreational area or recreational building and shall include all such parks, parkways, trails, open space, recreational areas and recreational buildings within the city.

Pedestrian pathways, bicycle pathways and equestrian pathways shall mean any hard surface or natural surface trail that is publicly maintained and that has been designated for use by bicycles, pedestrians, horses, or any combination thereof by a traffic control device or other signage or by regulation and that is separated from the roadway by open space or other barrier.

Waterway means the portions of Lena Gulch and Clear Creek within city limits.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04; Ord. No. 1373, § 1, 10-10-06; Ord. No. 1415, § 1, 7-28-08)

Sec. 17-2. Violations and penalties.

Any person found to be in violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of an unlawful act, and upon conviction shall be punishable by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25.00) and not exceeding one thousand dollars ($1000.00), or by imprisonment not exceeding one hundred eighty (180) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment, provided, however, that no person under the age of eighteen (18) years shall be subjected to imprisonment for violation of any provision of this chapter.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-3. Authority.

The city council of the city does hereby authorize the chief of police and the director of parks and recreation to enforce the rules and regulations set forth in this chapter and all future rules and regulations adopted by the city council for the proper management, operation and control of the parks, trails and other recreational facilities within the city. The code officers shall be authorized to issue, sign and serve summons and complaints in order to enforce the provisions of this chapter.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04; Ord. No. 1373, § 1, 10-10-06)

Sec. 17-4 through 17-21.

(Reserved for future)

ARTICLE II. PARK RULES*

Sec. 17-21. Scope.

This article applies to parks, open space, trails, parkways, pathways, recreational facilities and recreational buildings.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-22. Restriction of use.

The director may restrict the hours, days and weeks of use of any recreation center or building, facilities, parks, open space trails, lake or waterway, and the director or a Community Service Officer (CSO) may restrict or remove any user, individual or group for violation of any of the rules and regulations set forth in this article.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04; Ord. No. 1373, § 1, 10-10-06; Ord. No. 1415, § 2, 7-28-08)

Sec. 17-23. Permits.

The director is hereby authorized to issue permits relating to any use or accommodation of any park or recreation facility of the city. The director shall establish rules for the use of park property by any licensee, which rules shall become a condition of any permit. No permit shall be issued until any required fee or deposit is paid. The director shall have the power and authority to cancel any permit for violation of the requirements of the permit or for violation of any of the provisions of this article.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-24. Group use.

Any group of more than twenty-five (25) persons shall obtain a permit signed by the director allowing such a group to assemble in the park. Groups shall be orderly and law-abiding.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-25. Hours.

(a) Parks shall normally be open daily from 5:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. and normally be closed from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., except for activities and events sponsored by the department or authorized by permission of the director. Any park or recreational facility may be declared closed to the public by the director or by the chief of police at any time and for any interval of time, within a temporary or stated interval as the director or chief of police shall find reasonably necessary in order to protect the public, and individual members thereof, from dangerous persons, conditions or situations. It shall be unlawful to go into or upon any area or part of any park or recreational facility of the city when it has been declared to be closed to the public under this provision.

(b) All greenbelt areas, Johnson Park and Wheat Ridge Historical Park, shall normally be open daily from sunrise to sunset, and normally be closed from sundown to sunrise, except for activities and events sponsored by the department or authorized by permission of the director.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-26. Advertising.

Advertising shall not be permitted in any manner unless authorized by the director in writing or in concessionaire contracts for goods sold on the premises. No items are to be placed, taped, drilled or strung on signs, benches, planters, light or telephone poles, buildings, fences or trees.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-27. Alcoholic beverages.

(a) The storage, sale or consumption of any malt, vinous or spirituous liquors, as defined by the Colorado Liquor Code, is prohibited in any park, recreation area or recreation building within the city except as specifically provided herein or as may be authorized pursuant to a special event permit issued by the city in accordance with C.R.S., article 48, title 12. The consumption and/or storage of fermented malt beverages containing not more than three and two-tenths (3.2) percent of alcohol by weight is permitted in any park or recreation area within the city so long as, and only so long as, such fermented malt beverage has been purchased in a manner authorized, and is being consumed by persons permitted, by applicable state law. It shall be unlawful to sell any fermented malt beverage within any park or recreation area within the city unless such sales are made pursuant to a special event permit granted by the city and unless such sales are made in accordance with the Colorado Beer Code.

(b) Storage and consumption of fermented malt and vinous liquor is permitted at the Wheat Ridge Active Adult Center, the Wheat Ridge Recreation Center and the Richards-Hart Estate in conjunction with an event sanctioned and authorized by the director; and provided further that such alcoholic beverages are neither sold to, served to, or consumed by any person not authorized by the Colorado Liquor Code or the Code of Laws of the City of Wheat Ridge to possess or consume such alcoholic beverages. The director is hereby authorized to establish rules for serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages at the Richards-Hart Estate, the Wheat Ridge Active Adult Center, and the Wheat Ridge Recreation Center.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04; Ord. No. 1412, § 1, 4-28-08)

Sec. 17-28. Amplification systems.

Public address or other amplification devices may be used in a park, trail or recreational area only by special permit obtainable from the director.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-29. Animals.

(a) All animals must be under control by means of a leash, cord or chain not to exceed six (6) feet in length excepting dogs present in a designated of-leash dog park area under their owners' or handlers' sight or voice control.

(b) It shall be unlawful for the owner or custodian of any animal to allow such animal to defecate in any park, trail, recreational facility or other public place within the city, and to fail to clean up and remove from such park, trail, recreational facility or other public place such excrement or feces.

(c) Horseback riding shall be permitted only upon areas specifically designated by the director. Horseback riding is prohibited in all turf areas.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04; Ord. No. 1490, § 4, 8-8-11)

Sec. 17-30. Athletic fields.

(a) The director, or a Community Service Officer, shall enforce all rules and regulations pertaining to activities upon any athletic field in any park or recreation facility of the city. The director shall have the power to issue rules and regulations governing such athletic fields, and copies of such rules and regulations shall be on file with the department of parks and recreation and the city clerk.

(b) All teams or individuals shall relinquish play on any athletic field to any individual or teams to whom permits for use of such facility shall have been issued by the director.

(c) The director or a Community Service Officer may restrict or remove any player, players, teams or league from all public fields for a specified time for a violation of rules and regulations set forth in this article or issued by the director under the authority of this chapter.

(d) The director or an Community Service Officer shall have the authority to close any or all public fields or play areas when use of such area shall create maintenance problems or when use would or could constitute a danger to any person, as a result of weather or other conditions.

(e) Artificially lighted athletic fields in the parks shall have the lights turned off as follows: Randall Park and Wheat Ridge Middle School, 10:00 p.m.; Anderson Park, Creekside Park and Prospect Park, no inning will start after 10:30 p.m.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04; Ord. No. 1373, § 1, 10-10-06)

Sec. 17-31. Begging, soliciting.

It shall be unlawful for any person to beg or solicit within any park or recreation area.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-32. Boating.

(a) All nonmotorized watercraft designed to be used as a means of transportation on water, other than single-chambered air-inflated devices, shall be allowed on any waters in the park and recreation areas of the city as outlined in this section except for Bass Lake. Boating is prohibited on Bass Lake.

(b) In order to boat on any water in the parks and recreation areas of the city the following requirements shall be met:

(1) The watercraft shall be nonmotorized, propelled solely by means of oars and paddles or by the use of sails. Any watercraft which has a motor-driven means of propulsion shall be classified as motorized and shall be prohibited upon the water of the city.

(2) Any sailboat must be properly registered with Colorado State Parks - Registration Unit.

(3) All air-inflated devices, including inflatable canoes, kayaks, rafts and belly boats, must have a minimum of two (2) separate and distinct chambers. Inner tubes, air mattresses and other similar beach toys are not permitted at any time.

(4) The watercraft shall be in seaworthy condition as defined by these rules and regulations and determined by the CSO.

(5) Each person occupying a watercraft shall be required to wear a personal flotation device of a type currently approved for use by the United States Coast Guard while the craft is in use. In addition, each watercraft, except for kayaks, shall have on board at least one (1) throw flotation device.

(6) The watercraft shall have at least one (1) oar or paddle which shall be carried on board when the craft is in use.

(7) The watercraft shall be labeled with the name, address and phone number of owner or with the license number issued by the Colorado State Parks - Registration Unit.

(8) Motorized radio/remote control water-craft shall be prohibited.

(9) Sailboards are not allowed.

(10) With respect to watercraft required to be registered by the Colorado State Parks - Registration Unit, all applicable laws shall apply.

(c) Open boating shall be permitted from 7:00 a.m. until one-half (1/2) hour past sunset.

(d) No person shall dock any boat upon, physically go upon, or swim from any island in any lake within the city.

(e) No group activity, organized race, regatta, or any other type of organized boating activity shall be allowed unless approved in advance in writing by the director.

(f) A CSO may order operators from the water when, in the CSO's judgment, such operators constitute a safety hazard to themselves or other operators. CSOs may also order from the water persons or crafts operating in a reckless or careless manner or in disregard of or in violation of any department of parks and recreation rule or regulation. CSOs shall have the authority to close any lake or waterway because of inclement weather or any other unsafe condition which, in the judgment of the CSO, constitutes a danger to the health and safety of the public.

(g) Except as expressly provided for herein, the provisions of C.R.S., article 13, title 33, entitled "Vessels," as currently written and hereafter amended, shall apply to lakes and waterways within the city.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04; Ord. No. 1373, § 1, 10-10-06; Ord. No. 1415, § 3, 7-28-08)

Sec. 17-33. Camping.

It shall be unlawful to camp overnight, or to park any vehicle, trailer or camper for overnight camping purposes.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-34. Cleats, spikes.

Cleats or spikes on shoes are prohibited except in those specially designated athletic areas where program rules specifically permit their use.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-35. Commercial activity.

It shall be unlawful to conduct any commercial activity, or sell or offer for sale any service, product or activity for which a fee is charged, on any park or open space lands, except where such activity is authorized in writing by the director. This includes commercial photography, film-making and vending.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-36. Conservation area.

Roller blades, roller skates, skateboards, and bicycles are not allowed in the conservation area.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-37. Dances.

Organized dances in a park, trail or recreational area shall be permitted only by written permit issued by the director.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-38. Disturbing the peace.

It shall be unlawful within any park or recreation area of the city to disturb the peace of others by committing any act prohibited in section 16-103 of the Code of Laws.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-39. Fires, personal barbecues.

Fires are permitted only in enclosed personal grills or park fireplaces or grills provided for this purpose under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the director, and any such fires shall be extinguished before leaving any park or recreation area of the city. If a fire ban is in effect, all fires and grills are prohibited.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-40. Fishing.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person sixteen (16) years of age or over to fish without being in immediate physical possession of a current valid state fishing license. Any person in violation of this provision shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this Code of Laws.

(b) Methods of taking. The following fish or other water wildlife may be taken by the methods indicated:

    (1) No fish shall be taken or killed except by the use of hook and line with no more than three (3) hooks attached to any line. (For the purpose of these regulations multiple hooks having a common shank, i.e. treble hooks, shall be considered as one (1) hook.)

    (2) The taking of crayfish, salamanders and turtles is prohibited.

(c) An additional rod may be used in all waters when a second rod stamp is properly signed and attached to the fishing license.

(d) Any rod or line that is used for fishing must be personally attended.

(e) Snagging (snatching with hooks, gang hooks, or similar devices to catch fish), archery and spearfishing are prohibited.

(f) Placing fish, parts of fish, or other material upon which fish might feed in the waters for the purpose of attracting fish to a particular area in order that they may be taken (chumming) is prohibited.

(g) All largemouth or smallmouth bass (black bass) under fifteen (15) inches in length which are taken shall be returned to the water immediately.

(h) Fishing in Bass Lake and West Lake is restricted to the use of artificial flies and artificial lures.

(i) Any person fishing is entitled to the numbers of fish as established in the then current Colorado Fishing Season Information Guide distributed by the Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

(j) Fishing shall be allowed from the shoreline and dock area excluding boat dock areas and boat launch areas. Fishing from boats is allowed except where posted as prohibited.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-41. Flying objects.

It shall be unlawful to throw, strike, propel or otherwise operate flying or propelled objects of a potentially dangerous nature, including by way of example, without limitation, such things as model airplanes, rockets, horseshoes, arrows, golf balls, rocks or paintballs, except in areas designated for such use, or as part of any authorized sport or recreational activity, or by a written permit of the director.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-42. Glass containers.

It shall be unlawful for any person to bring, or to have in his/her possession, any glass beverage bottle in any park, lake, or other recreational area or facility of the city, except as such possession may be approved by the director of parks and recreation for an event open to the public and for which a special event permit has been issued by the city in accordance with C.R.S., article 48, title 12. Such approval may be granted by the director only upon satisfaction of all of the following additional conditions:

(a) That the applicant demonstrate to the satisfaction of the director that the applicant has control over that portion of the park in which the applicant wishes to possess glass beverage bottles by the use of fencing or other approved means;

(b) That the glass beverage bottles permitted shall be used only for possession of wine or beer; and

(c) Subject to any further conditions the director finds to be appropriate under the circumstances.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04; Ord. No. 1412, § 2, 4-28-08)

Sec. 17-43. Littering.

It shall be unlawful to dump, deposit, discard, throw or leave any branches, grass clippings, bottles, cans, broken pieces of glass, papers, boxes, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage, refuse or trash upon or within any park, lake, or other recreational area or facility of the city. It shall be unlawful for any person utilizing the facility of any park, lake, open space, or recreational area or facility of the city to leave such area or facility without first having completely extinguished fires, or before all trash, waste, or garbage is placed in the disposal receptacles where provided. If no receptacle is provided, such persons shall remove all trash, waste, or garbage from the park. It shall not be necessary for the person dumping, depositing, discarding, throwing, or leaving any of the items described above to depart from the immediate vicinity in order to constitute a prima facie violation of this section.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-44. Pavilions/shelters.

Reservation of pavilions may be obtained by permit issued by the director. Otherwise, all use of pavilions shall be on a first-come, first-served basis.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-45. Reserved.

Sec. 17-46. Protection of natural resources.

(a) No mining of any type, including gold panning, metal detection or geocache sites of any type are allowed except as authorized by the director in any city park.

(b) It shall be unlawful to willfully remove, destroy, harvest, cut down or otherwise destroy any living trees, shrubbery, wildflowers or natural flora, planted annuals or perennials within any city parks, open space or recreational facility.

(c) In this section: Nothing in this section shall prevent the staff or volunteers of the city in their performance of resource management or park maintenance or the normal execution of their duties.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-47. Swimming.

Swimming is allowed only as part of a scheduled and supervised recreational program sponsored by the department or authorized by department permit, or in connection with launching a boat when necessary. Swimming from a boat is expressly prohibited unless engaged in as part of a legitimate rescue attempt.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-48. Tennis.

(a) Tennis courts shall be reserved only by written permit, except for department-sponsored programs.

(b) Use of tennis courts shall be subject to specific rules and regulations promulgated by the director and conspicuously posted on such courts.

(c) Rollerblading and skateboarding are not allowed on tennis courts.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-49. Tents.

No tents, canopies, or inflatable devices shall be erected upon any park, open space or recreation facility except as part of a department-sponsored activity, or unless a permit authorizing the same is issued by the director. Stakes may not be driven into the ground.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-50. Trails/parkways/pathways.

The director of parks and recreation or his/her agent or the police chief or a Community Service Officer shall enforce all rules and regulations pertaining to activities upon any trail/parkway/pathway of the city. The director of parks and recreation or police chief shall have the authority to promulgate rules and regulations governing such trails/parkways/pathways and copies of such rules and regulations shall be on file with the department of parks and recreation, the police department and the city clerk.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-51. Vandalism.

It is unlawful to remove, destroy, damage or deface any park or open space property, or any structure, or any vegetation therein or to plant or harvest pieces/parts of such vegetation.
(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-52. Vehicles.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person operating a motorized vehicle of any description whatsoever in any park or recreation area of the city to fail or refuse to obey any and all traffic signs, or other traffic-control devices regulating the operation, stopping or parking of vehicles. It shall be unlawful for other than authorized personnel to park or drive on lawns, fields or any other places other than upon roadways and parking areas clearly constructed and established for such purposes within the parks, trails or other recreational facilities of the city. Laws pertaining to streets and highways pertain also to park roads, except that pedestrians shall have the right-of-way over vehicles in park areas.

(b) Parking within or upon parks, open space, trails, parkways or recreation areas shall not be permitted at any time a park is closed, or in any area ordered closed by the director. It shall be unlawful to park so as to obstruct access roadways and parking areas or areas designated by sign for emergency vehicles use only. Vehicles may be parked in park and recreation areas only if the occupants are engaged in an activity connected with the areas.

(c) Washing or servicing of vehicles in any park or recreation area in the city is prohibited.

(d) All bicycle riders shall obey traffic signs and laws regulating the operation, stopping or parking of vehicles. Bicycle riding will be governed further by safe riding practices and consideration for the use of park and recreation areas and trails by others. Bicycle riding is prohibited on playgrounds, tennis courts and game courts, in pavilions, in the conservation area or in any area where other activities are in progress. (See section 17-50)

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-53. Weapons.

It is unlawful to display, brandish, carry illegally or to discharge or use within any park or recreation area with in the city, any BB guns, pellet guns, and air guns; bows and arrows, slingshots, paintball guns etc., or any explosive device or substance including fireworks.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-54. Winter sports.

(a) No ice skating or ice fishing is permitted on any water body owned or managed by the city or on any water body supervised by the department or included in any park or recreation facility unless the specific area to be used is so posted or public announcement has been made by the director allowing such activity. When such areas are open for use, they are subject to rules and regulations on program and safety as issued by the director.

(b) Ice hockey shall not be permitted except in designated areas as part of a department sponsored activity or by permit issued by the director.

(c) Sledding is prohibited within any park, open space or recreation facility of the city.

(d) No person shall go upon any ice surface over a lake or body of water within a park within the city on foot for any purpose whatsoever, unless the specific area has been conspicuously posted by the director allowing such activity.

(e) All vehicles of any kind and description are prohibited from coming upon any ice surface over any lake, stream or water area with any park or recreation area in the city.

(f) It shall be unlawful to use or operate snowmobiles in any park, recreation facility, trail, parkway or recreational area within the city.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

Sec. 17-55. Workers, work areas.

The use of any park or recreation area shall be relinquished to any city or park employee carrying out work assignments. Public use of areas in which maintenance or other work activities is ongoing is prohibited.

(Ord. No. 1329, § 1, 7-26-04)

GENERAL PARK RULES

ALL PARKS

Hours: Open daily 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. (see Skate Park and Splash Pad hours below).

Smoking: Smoking is prohibited in Wheat Ridge parks.

Inflatable Devices: Inflatable devices are prohibited in all Wheat Ridge parks.

SKATE PARK

Hours: 8:00 a.m. to sundown.

The skate park rules and regulations are as follows:

1. USE OF THIS FACILITY IS AT YOUR OWN RISK - know your abilities! Be under control at all times. Share the park with others and avoid conflict.
2. Use of safety equipment such as helmets, gloves, knee and elbow pads, wrist supports and proper shoes is recommended.
3. All users are responsible for providing their own skateboard, skates and equipment and for ensuring that they are maintained in good working order.
4. Use caution. Do not use the park in adverse weather conditions. Snow and ice will not be removed by the City.
5. Hours of permitted use are from 8:00 a.m. to sundown. It shall be unlawful for any person to enter or remain on the premises outside the hours posted.
6. The City of Wheat Ridge Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to revoke use of the facility privileges for individuals who are rowdy or do not obey the rules.
7. Do not proceed down a ramp until clear of other skaters.
8. Skating is allowed only in authorized areas.
9. Spectators should watch from outside the skating area.
10. Pets must be kept outside the skate park, on a leash and attended.

THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED IN THE SKATE PARK

Bikes with Metal Pegs • Waxing • Makeshift Items • Modifications to Park Features • Motorized Vehicles/Equipment • Glass Containers • Amplified Music • Alcoholic Beverages • Drugs • Tobacco Products • Firearms • Fireworks • Vandalism • Unruly, Unsafe or Unlawful Behavior • Graffiti • Profanity • Recklessness • Rowdy Behavior

GENERAL PARK RULES

SPLASH PAD

The Splash Pad is open seasonally from May 1st through September 30th, weather dependent, and runs from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily; water spray is activated manually by stepping on the raised blue circle pad located on the northeast side of the Splash Pad itself. (The Splash Pad may be closed due to water conservation measures if in effect.)

The Splash Pad rules and regulations are as follows:

1. The splash pad is unsupervised, please use at your own risk.
2. All children must have adult supervision at all times.
3. Children under the age of 7 should be accompanied by an adult.
4. Young children and infants must wear swim diapers.
5. All participants must conduct themselves in a courteous, safe, and family-oriented manner.
6. Be mindful of inclement weather and lightning. Pad should be vacated at the first sound of thunder.
7. Pets must be kept outside the splash pad, on a leash and attended.

THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED WITHIN THE SPLASH PAD

Running • Roughness • Horseplay • Other Disturbances • Alcoholic Beverages • Tobacco Products • Drugs • Firearms • Vandalism • Graffiti • Profanity • Loitering • Food • Glass Containers • Bikes • Scooters • Skateboards • Roller Blades

GENERAL PARK RULES

FRUITDALE PARK OFF-LEASH DOG PARK

1. The dog park is open to the public from 5:00 am to 10:00 pm.
2. Dog(s) must be leashed when entering and exiting the enclosure.
3. Dog(s) must have current rabies tag affixed to collar.
4. All Wheat Ridge residents are required by Ordinance Sec. 4-31(c) to license dog(s) through the Jefferson County dog license program.
5. Dog(s) must be accompanied by a person 17 years old or older.
6. Dog owners/handlers assume full responsibility for their dog(s) and minor children.
7. Dog owners/handlers must be in enclosed are with their dog(s) at all times.
8. Dog owners/handlers must clean up dog feces and dispose of waste in provided receptacles.
9. Dog owners/handlers assume the legal responsibility for damage, injury or disease to persons or property caused by their dog(s).
10. Dogs are not allowed to harass or chase wildlife.

THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE OFF-LEASH AREA

Toys • Aggressive Dogs • Female Dogs in Heat • Dogs Too Young to Vaccinate for Rabies • Dogs Exhibiting Signs of Illness or That Are Known to be Ill • Dogs Not Under Voice Control