

Part 75

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**PARK RULES ORDINANCE  
ORDINANCE NO. 22**

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An Ordinance to provide for the use, protection, regulation and control of the public parks and park facilities and other matters concerning recreation, conservation, education, historic, and scenic areas and preserves and parkways, and to provide for the adoption of supplementary rules and regulations and other matters related to the use of and conduct of park property.

THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG LAKE, GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
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**75.001 Short title and definitions.**

Sec. 1.

A. Title.

1. This Ordinance may be known and referred to as the "Long Lake Township Park Ordinance."

B. Definitions.

1. *Commission* shall mean the Long Lake Township Board.
2. *Commission property* or *Township park property* shall mean all lands, water, and property administered by or under the jurisdiction of the Long Lake Township Board for park and recreation purposes.
3. *Person or persons* shall mean individuals, male or female, singular or plural; firms, corporations, or any group or gathering of individuals.
4. *Camping* means the overnight lodging or sleeping of person or persons on the ground or in any manner, or in any sleeping bag, tent,

trailer-tent, trailer coach, vehicle camper, motor vehicle, boat or in any other conveyance erected, parked or placed on the premises or waters within any park or recreation area administered by the Commission.

5. *Rules* shall mean the rules adopted by the Long Lake Township Board applicable to all property administered by or under the jurisdiction of the said Commission and all amendments thereto.
6. *Alcoholic liquor* shall mean any spirituous, vinous, malt, or fermented liquor, liquids and compounds, whether or not medicated, proprietary, patented, and by whatever name called, containing V2 of 1% or more or alcohol by volume which are fit for use for beverage purposes.
7. *Alcohol* shall mean the product of distillation of fermented liquid, whether or not rectified or diluted with water, but does not mean ethyl or industrial alcohol, diluted or not, that has been denatured or otherwise rendered unfit for beverage purposes.

(Ord. No. 35, Adopt. 11-10-98, Eff. 11-22-98)

**75.002 Hours of use.**

Sec. 2. No person or vehicle shall remain upon property administered by or under the jurisdiction of the Commission between posted closing times, excepting at designated fishing sites, camp areas and other special use areas, provided, however, that upon application to the Commission or its authorized agent, said hours may be extended. Established opening and closing times are posted.

**75.003 Protection of property.**

Sec. 3.

- A. Destruction of buildings, markers, monuments and other properties shall be prohibited.
- B. Fires shall not be left unattended. All fires shall be extinguished upon leaving the immediate vicinity.

**75.004 Presence of animals.**

Sec. 4. It shall be unlawful for any person to bring domesticated animals to the Parks.

**75.005 Restrictions governing parks use.**

Sec. 5. No person shall:

- A. Leave an ice shanty in a park between April 2 and November 30 or leave an ice shanty on land in a park for more than 48 hours between December 1 and April 1.

- B. Possess any glass on any beach or in the water adjacent thereto.
- C. Bring into, use or navigate any boat or other watercraft in the designated swimming areas.
- D. Camp in the parks.
- E. Park vehicles or trailers in any park unless a parking area is designated by signs; provided, however, this provision shall not apply to Gilbert Park.
- F. In Gilbert Park:
  - (1) Park a motor vehicle with a boat trailer in the upper parking area in Gilbert Park (that is, the upper parking area is reserved for motor vehicles without boat trailers);
  - (2) Park a motor vehicle without an attached boat trailer in the lower parking area in Gilbert Park (that is, the lower parking area is reserved for motor vehicles with boat trailers);
  - (3) Park a motor vehicle within the easement which traverses the lower parking area.
- G. Operate a motor-driven vehicle of any kind or nature except on park roads or designated parking areas, except that snowmobiles may enter and exit the lake on Township Park property.
- H. Park vehicles overnight on park property.
- I. Peddle or solicit business of any nature whatsoever, distribute handbills, or other advertising matter, post unauthorized signs on any lands, water, structures in the parks.
- J. Engage in any violent, abrasive, loud, boisterous, vulgar, obscene, or otherwise disorderly conduct tending to create a breach of the peace, or disturb or annoy a reasonable person using the parks in a proper manner.
- K. Interfere with, or in any manner hinder employees or agents of the commission while performing their official duties.
- L. Interfere with any Park Ranger or Police Officer, or Commission Representative in the discharge of their duties, or fail to obey any lawful command of any Park Ranger or Police Officer.
- M. Sell, use or have in their possession any drug or narcotics; the sale, use or possession of which is prohibited by State Law.
- N. Use a loudspeaker, public address system or amplifier within or upon Commission property without a written permit issued by the Commission or its Agent.
- O. Fire, discharge or have in his or her possession any rocket, firecracker, torpedo, squib, or other fireworks or any substance of an explosive nature

within or upon the property of the Commission unless the Commission or its authorized agent shall have authorized same by the issuance of a permit therefore.

- P. At any time bring into or upon the Townships Parks' properties, nor have in his or her possession, nor discharge, or set off anywhere upon said properties, a revolver, pistol, shotgun, rifle, air gun, water gun or any gun, rifle, firearm or bow or other weapon that discharges projectiles either by air, explosive substance or any other force, provided, however, that this section shall not apply to any deputy sheriff, police officer, peace officer, park ranger, or other fully appointed law enforcement officer while carrying out the duties and responsibilities of his position nor to any person while on or in those areas which may from time to time be designated as hunting areas by the Commission or while upon designated target ranges or areas.
- Q. Discard or deposit refuse of any kind or nature in or upon the property of the Commission except by placing said refuse in containers provided for such purpose.
- R. Place refuse in a refuse container unless the refuse originates from park usage.
- S. Throw, cast, lay, drop or discharge into or leave in waters administered by or under the jurisdiction of the Commission any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid which may or shall result in the pollution of said waters.
- T. Possess or consume any alcoholic liquor within any township park property.
- U. Use skate boards, roller blades, or roller skates in the parking lots, tennis courts, or on the sidewalks, ramps and steps in all township parks.  
(Ord. No. 35, Adopt. 11-10-98, Eff. 11-22-98; Ord. No. 71, Adopt. 5-13-03)

#### **75.006 Gilbert Park signage.**

Sec. 6. The upper parking area of Gilbert Park is reserved for motor vehicles without boat trailers and such restriction shall be designated by signage. The lower parking area in Gilbert Park which is reserved for motor vehicles with boat trailers and such restriction shall be designated by signage. The easement which traverses the lower parking area in Gilbert Park shall be designated by signage or "No Parking" designations on the pavement within the easement.

#### **75.007 Special permits.**

Sec. 7. No erection, construction or maintenance shall be made above or below ground, across or beneath Township park property by any person, firm, or corporation without first having obtained written permission from the Commis-

sion authorizing such installation or construction and a permit specifying in detail the work to be done and the conditions to be fulfilled pursuant to the terms of such approval.

**75.008 Emergency powers.**

Sec. 8. Nothing in these rules shall:

- A. Prohibit or hinder duly authorized agents of the Commission or any peace officers from performing their official duties.
- B. Prohibit the Commission from establishing emergency rules required to protect the health, welfare and safety of park visitors and to protect park property; including, but not limited to, the right of the Commission to order all persons off Commission property, and close all or any portion of said park.

**75.009 Penalty/Civil Infraction.**

Sec. 9. Any person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a municipal civil infraction as defined in Public Act 12 of 1994, amending Public Act 236 of 1961, being Sections 600.101—600.9939 of Michigan Compiled Laws, and shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$100.00. Each day this Ordinance is violated shall be considered as a separate violation.

**75.010 Elimination of conflict.**

Sec. 10. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

**75.011 Separability.**

Sec. 11. If any clause, sentence, sub-sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Ordinance be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, sub-sentence, paragraph, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall have been rendered.

**75.012 Effective date.**

Sec. 12. This Ordinance shall be published as required by law, to become effective on the date of final publication.