CHAPTER 3 - Protection of Property, Structures and Natural Resources

Section 1 - Destruction or Misuse of Property and Structures

No person shall upon or in connection with any property of the Waukegan Park District:

- A. Destroy, deface, paint, alter, or remove any monument, stone marker, bench mark, stake, post or blaze marking or designating any boundary line, survey line or reference point.
- B. Cut, break, mark upon or otherwise damage, destroy or remove any post, building, shelter, picnic table, bench, grill, railing, bridge, pier, drain, well, foundation, pump, telephone, lamp post, fence, gate, refuse container, exhibit, display, tool or equipment, paving or paving materials, storage box, utility outlet, movie screen, flagpole, water line or the park property without written permission from the Park District.
- C. Deface, destroy, cover, damage or remove any placard notice, or sign, or parts thereof, whether permanent or temporary, posted or exhibited by the District to announce the rules, regulations and warnings, or any other information to the public necessary or desirable to the proper use of the park or park property.
- D. Construct or erect any building or structure of any kind, whether permanently or temporarily, or run or string any public utility into, upon or across a park without the written permission from the Park District.
- E. Take, appropriate, excavate, injure, destroy, or remove any historical or prehistorical ruin or parts thereof, or any object of antiquity, without written permission of the Park District.
- F. Throw, carry, cast, drag, push or deposit any refuse container, picnic table, barricade or any other movable

or non-movable property into a lake, pond, wetland, stream or lagoon or upon the frozen waters thereof, or to otherwise move, stack, or hide such property in such a way as to render it unavailable to the general public for its intended use, to cause a hazard to public safety or to damage or destroy such property.

- G. Occupy or inhabit, or cause to be occupied or inhabited, any barn, shed, or other structure, or use for storage or cause to be used for the storage of any goods, any barn, shed or other structure without written permission of the Park District.
- H. Enter into or upon any park area or structure closed or posted against trespass, without written permission of the Park District. These structures or areas may be, but are not limited to, employee residences and their immediate surrounding area, construction areas, work safety zones, equipment or material storage structures or area, work shops or stations, greenhouse or areas undergoing reforestation or other soil or vegetative treatment, or areas hazardous to the public safety or health.
- I. Tamper with in any way, enter or climb upon, weaken, destroy, damage, or remove anything from any park vehicle, watercraft, machine or implement.
- J. Misuse any refuse container or receptacle by depositing into it any hot coals or other hot or burning substances, or by depositing into it any garbage, trash, refuse or other unwanted material that was not gathered on the site in the course of normal, lawful use of park facilities.
- K. Bring into, leave behind or dump any material of any kind, whether waste or otherwise, in the park, except refuse, ashes, garbage and other material arising from the normal use and

enjoyment of a picnic or other permitted activity, provided such material is properly deposited in receptacles provided for such purposes. Where receptacles are not provided, all such rubbish or waste shall be carried away from the park by the person responsible for its presence, and properly disposed of elsewhere. Nor shall any material of any kind be left or deposited within or near the parks so as to pollute the District land, waters, or air coursing through or over the parks or otherwise to interfere with proper use and enjoyment of the park. No bottles, cans, refuse or foreign material of any description shall be deposited or thrown in any streams, wetlands, ponds or lakes located in the parks.

Section 2 - Destruction or Misuse of Natural Resources

No person shall upon or in connection with any property of the District:

- A. Cut, remove, uproot, pick, saw, chop, carve, injure or wantonly destroy any tree, bush, shrub, flower or plant, whether alive or dead, or chip, blaze, box, girdle, trim or otherwise deface or injure any tree, shrub or bud, or break or remove any branch or foliage thereof or pick or gather any seed of any tree or other plant unless necessitated by the performance of restorative maintenance, or construction work pursuant to contract with the District or by written permission.
- B. Drive any nail, staple or attach or fasten any wire, rope, or device to any tree or plant, or tie or hitch any animal to any tree, plant or bush.
- C. Climb any tree, or walk, stand or sit upon any monument, vase, fountain, railing, fence or any other park property not designated or normally used for such purposes.

- D. Remove or cause to be removed any sod, earth, downed timber, rock, sand or gravel, or remove or cause to be removed any other natural material from Park District property unless necessitated by the performance of restorative maintenance, or construction work pursuant to contact with the Park District or by written permission.
- E. Hunt, trap, molest, wound, poison or kill, or attempt to hunt, trap, molest, poison, or kill any animal, bird or reptile, or disturb any nest lair, den or burrow of any animal, bird or reptile, without written permission from the Park District.
- F. Fish in any waters of the Park District except in waters designated by the Park District for fishing, and then under such laws, ordinances and regulations as may be promulgated by the State of Illinois.
- G. Fish in any park waters where swimming, bathing or wading is permitted.
- H. Engage in fishing for profit in park waters, or buy or sell fish caught in park waters.
- I. Release or cause to be released any wild, or domestic animal, bird, fish or reptile, or distribute the seeds or spores of any flowering or non-flowering plant into or upon park lands or waters, without written permission of the Park District.
- J. Ride, lead or allow to be loose upon park premises, any horse, pony or other riding animal, except in areas designated for riding by posted signs and with the written permission of the Park District.
- K. Use or cause to be used any chemical or biological pesticide or any other substance, measure or process designated to alter the anatomy or physiology of any organism for the purpose of directly manipulating their

populations, without written permission of the Park District or authorized agent and then only in compliance with all applicable laws of the State of Illinois Department of Agriculture.

Section 3 - Contraband

All animals, plants, birds, fish or reptiles, or parts thereof, killed, captured, trapped, or taken or bought, sold or bartered or had in possession contrary to any provisions of this ordinance or applicable laws of the State of Illinois or the United States of America, shall be and are hereby declared contraband and, as such, shall be subject to seizure by any police officer or employee of the Park District.

Section 4 - Destruction by Misuse of Fire

No person shall upon or in connection with any property of the District:

A. Set fire, or cause to be set on fire, any tree, brush, grassland, meadow, prairie, slash, refuse container or structure unless necessitated by the performance of park maintenance, or pursuant to conduct within the Park District.

- B. Build a fire anywhere, for any purpose, except in provided grills, or in appropriate receptacles, Fires shall be limited to cooking fires or fires in a fire pit as authorized by the Park District. Fuels used in fires shall not produce any noxious fumes or smoke.
- C. Build any fire whatsoever, for any purpose in or out of a receptacle or grill and leave it unattended, unless such fire is properly extinguished. For the purpose of this ordinance, a fire shall be deemed properly extinguished when its ashes, residue, coals and unburned substance is cold to the human touch.
- D. Cause, suffer, or allow the burning of garbage, refuse, waste material, trash, or other combustibles within or adjacent to the park so as to cause smoke, haze, odor, sparks, dust, dirt, or other type of matter or gaseous substance to come upon, or pass over the park which would cause an air pollution nuisance or damage to person or property.