

CHAPTER 18 - PARKS AND RECREATION

Sec. 18-66. Parks; general rules of conduct; violations.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person in a public park or recreation area to:
- (1) Mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with or displace or remove any buildings, bridges, tables, benches, fireplaces, railings, pavings or paving materials, water lines or other public utilities or parts or appurtenances thereof, signs, notices or placards, whether temporary or permanent, monuments, stakes, posts, or other boundary markers, or other structures or equipment, facilities or park property or appurtenances whatsoever, either real or personal.
 - (2) Fail to cooperate in maintaining restrooms and washrooms in a neat and sanitary condition. No person over the age of six (6) years of age shall use the restrooms and washrooms designated for the opposite sex.
 - (3) Dig or remove any soil, rock, sand, stones, trees, shrubs or plants or other wood or materials, or make any excavation by tool, equipment, blasting or other means or agency.
 - (4) Fail to remain on a mountain hiking trail between trailheads or to access a mountain hiking trail except at a trailhead.
 - (5) Construct or erect any building or structure of whatever kind, whether permanent or temporary, or run or string any public service utility into, upon, or across such lands, except on special written permit issued by the Community Services Department and approved by the Director of Engineering.
 - (6) Damage, cut, carve, mark, transplant or remove any plant, or injure the bark, or pick flowers or seed of any tree or plant, dig in or otherwise disturb grass areas, or in any other way injure the natural beauty or usefulness of any area.
 - (7) Climb any tree or walk; climb, stand or sit upon monuments, vases, planters, fountains, railings, fences or upon any other property not designated or customarily used for such purpose.
 - (8) Attach any rope or cable or other contrivance to any tree, fence, railing, bridge, bench, or other structure.
 - (9) Throw, discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any fountains, pond, lake, stream or other body of water in or adjacent to any park and recreation area or any tributary, stream, storm sewer, or drain flowing into such water, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will or may result in the pollution of said waters.
 - (10) Take into, carry through, or put into any park and recreation area, any rubbish, refuse, garbage or other material. Such refuse and rubbish shall be deposited in receptacles

so provided. Where receptacles are not provided, all such rubbish or waste shall be carried away from the park and recreation area by the person responsible for its presence, and properly disposed of elsewhere.

(11) Cause or permit to run at large any animal.

(12) Tie or hitch an animal to any tree or plant.

(13) Feed, touch, hunt, molest, harm, frighten, kill, trap, pursue, chase, tease, shoot or throw missiles at any animal, wildlife, reptile or bird; nor shall he remove or have in his possession the young of any wild animal, or the eggs or nest, or young of any reptile or bird, without authorization from the Community Services Director or designated representative.

(14) Exception to the foregoing is made in that snakes known to be deadly poisonous may be killed on sight.

(15) Walk a dog without a leash except in a designated dog friendly area, said leash to be no longer than six feet. Further, the owner or person having custody of said dog shall be responsible for removal of any animal solid waste from the park and recreation area.

(16) Fail to immediately remove from a dog friendly area any dog displaying aggressive behavior towards a person or another animal or for the owner or person having custody of a dog not to be in attendance of their dog while said dog is in a dog friendly area.

(17) Fail to comply with any posted rule or regulation which has been established by the Community Services Department to regulate the use of any dog friendly area.

(18) Walk any other domestic animal other than a dog without a leash, said leash to be no longer than six feet. Further, the owner or person having custody of said domestic animal shall be responsible for removal of any animal solid waste from the park and recreation area.

(19) Bring into a park and recreation area or ride a horse except on designated bridle and multi-use trails; horses shall be thoroughly broken and properly restrained, and ridden with due care.

(20) No person shall permit his or her horse, donkey or mule to be unattended or to graze in a park and recreation area.

(21) No person shall hitch his or her horse, donkey or mule to any rock, vegetation, fence or other improvement in a city park and recreation area, except for such improvements as are intended to be used for such purpose.

(22) Use a sound amplification system in any park and recreation area, except as provided by this Chapter.

(23) Fish without a valid fishing license issued by the Arizona Game and Fish

Department for the purpose of urban fishing or to exceed the legal bag limit for a species as determined by the fishing regulations of the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Fishing is permitted only in bodies of water approved for fishing by the City of Peoria, and the taking of any fish by any means other than a fishing rod is prohibited.

(b) Violation of this section shall be deemed to be a civil infraction and shall be punished by imposition of a civil sanction not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) in accordance with Chapter 15 of this Code.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person in a park and recreation area having charge, custody or ownership of an animal to place or confine such animal in a motor vehicle under such conditions or for such period of time as may endanger the health or well-being of such animal due to heat, lack of food or drink, or such other circumstances as may reasonably be expected to cause suffering, disability or death. Violation of this subsection is a class one (1) misdemeanor.

State law reference(s) -- Littering, A.R.S. § 13-1603.

Cross reference(s) -- Solid wastes, Ch. 22.

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