



South Suburban Park and Recreation District
General Rules and Regulations for Parks,
Trails and Open Space

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INTRODUCTION

As a Special District, covered under Colorado revised Statute title 32, South Suburban Park and Recreation District has the authority to regulate the kinds of use, permitted activities, time, manner, and conduct within district owned or managed public properties, per Colorado revised statute 18-9-117. The following rules and regulations are the adopted means for regulating District owned or managed property. Other specific rules, regulations and/or procedures may be developed and approved by the Executive Director or his designee for special use areas such as sport courts, athletic fields, skate parks, dog parks, disc golf, swimming pools, etc. Anybody who uses any District owned or managed property, facilities or equipment is expected to know and follow these rules, before utilizing District property.

Any violation of the adopted District rules and regulations constitutes a violation of CRS 18-9-117 and may be subject to law enforcement action. In addition, the violation of any additional orders, rules, or regulations that may not be covered in the adopted rules and regulations, is also in violation of CRS 18-9-117 and may be subject to law enforcement actions.

Additional Orders, Rules, or Regulations:

The executive director, or their designee, may create additional orders, rules, or regulations to those listed here in the district adopted rules and regulations, as are reasonably necessary for the administration, protection and maintenance of public properties owned or managed by South Suburban Park and Recreation District.

Alcohol:

Alcohol means fermented malt beverage or malt, vinous or spirituous liquid. The sale, possession and/or consumption of alcohol is prohibited in all South Suburban managed or owned parks, trails, open space, bodies of water, rivers, tributaries, creeks and streams. Alcohol is only allowed when a permit is obtained from the local municipality in conjunction with a permit and paid alcohol fee from South Suburban for the property in which the alcohol is being sold or consumed.

Possession of alcohol means that a person has or holds any amount of alcohol anywhere on his or her person or that a person owns or has custody of alcohol or has alcohol within his or her immediate presence and control. This can include having alcohol inside of a backpack, cooler, stored within a vessel, stored amongst other personal belongings, or picnic basket. All glass containers are prohibited.

Operating, manipulating, or riding any kind of vessel or flotation device on the South Platte River while under the influence of alcohol is prohibited.

Amplified Sound:

Amplified sound systems, regardless of size, amount of power, or use may be allowed in conjunction with a park or shelter rental and must be identified on the permit application. There may be decibel level restrictions for each local municipality that patrons are required to abide by. For example, if renting a park in the jurisdiction of the City of Littleton, there is a noise ordinance policy. Please refer to their website for their rules and regulations.

<https://www.littletongov.org/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=807>

Bicycles:

Cyclists must yield right-of-way to pedestrians and horses, obey all traffic signs and signals, ride to the right, use proper hand signals when turning and give audible warning before passing on the left. Groups of cyclists must ride single file when passing or being passed. Speed limit on all trails shall not exceed 15 mph.

Business Operation: No park or trail shall be used by private enterprise for profit or gain. In order to protect this and other District regulations concerning park use, special use permits may be issued for guaranteed reservations. Instruction or guidance where currency, goods or services are exchanged requires a permit. Examples include but are not limited to instruction in: lacrosse, golf, tennis, soccer, football, fishing, birding, dog training, educational outdoor classes or fitness/personal training.

Camping:

Camping is prohibited in all parks, trails, open space areas and parking lots; unless otherwise posted or approved through the permitting process. Camp or camping means to use public property for living accommodation including, but not limited to, the activities and circumstances listed herein. These activities and circumstances may be considered in determining whether reasonable grounds or reasonable suspicion that a person has "camped" or is "camping" in violation of this rule.

- Sleeping or making preparations to sleep, including the lying down of bedding for the purpose of sleeping.
- Occupying a shelter out of doors. "Shelter" shall mean any cover or protection from the elements other than clothing, such as a tent, tarpaulin, shack, sleeping bag, bedroll, blankets or other structure or material.
- The presence or use of a campfire, camp stove or other heating source or cooking device.
- Keeping or storing personal property in such a manner that impacts the enjoyment and/or use of the parks or creates a public health or safety issue.

Certificate of Insurance (COI):

Certificate of Insurance naming South Suburban Park and Recreation as an additional insured is required for organized events such as sport groups, leagues, tournaments, day-camp providers, fitness groups, vendors, rental companies, special events, and / or organizations both for profit and non-profit, etc.. A COI is typically required for large events and organizations seeking permits. Individual park users such as small gatherings etc. are not required to obtain a COI. Events using a rental company for items to include but not limited to inflatables, tents, or movie screens, will require a COI from the rental company.

Closed Areas:

The district may choose to close certain areas for the purpose of preserving property, vegetation, maintaining public health and safety, or to protect wildlife. Closures can be either on a temporary or permanent basis. Closed areas will be marked with signs and sometimes when necessary, fencing to indicate the perimeter of the closed area.

Accessing a closed area is prohibited. Park users are expected to ensure the areas they are accessing are currently open to the public before accessing them.

Debris:

It is prohibited to dump, deposit or store any trash or debris on District-owned or managed property. This includes but is not limited to the following; tires, lumber, concrete, electronics, construction debris, buckets, tarps, shopping carts, sleeping bags, bicycles, propane cylinders, grass clippings, yard waste, tree branches or other landscape material.

Destruction of Public Property:

Destruction, damage, or removal of any vegetation and damage or defacement of any District owned or managed property is prohibited by C.R.S. 18-9-117.

Dogs and Other Pets:

Dogs must be on a leash not to exceed six (6) feet in length. Dogs must be under the control of the owner or person handling the animal. Dogs are only allowed off-leash in approved signed off-leash areas. Persons handling the dog are responsible for cleaning up all dog waste from the animal. All pets must be leashed and under the control and supervision of the person handling

the animal. Persons handling the pets are responsible for cleaning up and proper disposal of all waste associated with the animal.

Drones, Radio Controlled Devices and Projectiles:

Drones refer to small unmanned aircraft systems as defined by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The launching and operation of drones within SSPRD property is prohibited without a permit issued by SSPRD. Drone operators must have a valid license issued by the FAA and must follow all FAA regulations as well as any local or state ordinances or regulations. Drone operators are not allowed to fly over crowds within the parks or along trails that are occupied by the public.

The launching, landing, operating or discharging of any missile, rocket or radio controlled device, such as an unmanned car, plane or boat is prohibited without an SSPRD issued permit.

E-Bikes, E-Scooters and Other Electric Assisted Devices:

E-bikes: only class 1 and class 2 e-bikes are allowed on district trails where bicycles are typically allowed. E-bike operators are required to follow all district trail use rules. Class 3 E-bikes are not permitted on district trails without a permit.

Class 1 E bike is defined as a two-wheel or three-wheel vehicle with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of less than 750 watts (1 h.p.), whose maximum speed on a paved level surface, when powered solely by such a motor while ridden is less than 20 mph. Class 1 E-bikes will provide an electric assist up to 20 mph when pedaled.

Class 2 E bike is an electric assisted bicycle with all the same requirements of a class 1 e-bike, except that it provides an electric assist up to 20 mph, without needing to be pedaled.

E-scooters: E-scooters are allowed on district trails where Class 1 and 2 E-bikes are allowed. E-scooters are required to follow all district trail use rules. In addition, E-scooters operating on district trails must fit the state of Colorado's definition for E-scooters listed below
E-scooters are defined by the state of Colorado as weighing less than 100 pounds; has handlebars and be powered by an electric motor; top out at 20 miles per hour on a paved level surface when powered only by the motor.

Other electric assisted devices: such as electric skateboards or one wheeled devices may be allowed so long as their motor is not greater than 750 watts, with no more than 1 horse power, and its top speed when on a flat paved surface does not exceed 20 mph. If there is any question whether or not a device is allowed, park visitors are encouraged to call the South Suburban Park Rangers to confirm the status of their device. All other electric assisted devices must follow all District trail rules, in addition to the requirements posted here.

Speed limit on all trails shall not exceed 15 mph.

Encroachments:

Any encroachment onto District-owned or managed property is prohibited unless approved by a special use permit. Encroachments include but are not limited to; small plank bridges, gardens, fencing, benches, tree or other vegetation plantings as well as any improvements made to SSPRD property adjacent to private property.

Equestrian:

Horses are permitted on designated soft surface trails. The operator or rider of any horse is required to ensure that excrement from horses is not left on district trails. This may be done through the use of excrement bags or removal of excrement. Groups of riders must ride single file when passing or being passed.

Horseback riding is allowed within 30 feet on either side of the Mary Carter Greenway Trail, and on established service roads within South Platte Park unless they enter designated wildlife areas. No horses are allowed in wildlife areas or service roads that are marked for vehicles only. Speed is limited to a walk or trot. Horses are not allowed in the river.

Hoofed animals are prohibited on irrigated turf and natural open space areas unless approved through a special use permit.

Field Rentals:

All organized sport use of an outdoor park must obtain a permit for practice, games, camps, clinics, small group training sessions, tournaments or any special event. Permits are required for all organized activities. Athletic fields reserved for use outside of standard sports use may incur an additional Special Event fee. A Certificate of Insurance is required from Youth and Adult Sport Groups, special events, tournaments & camp renters. Individuals seeking a permit do not need a Certificate of Insurance. Permits are required for all organized activities that take place on SSPRD Property.

Drop-in use is defined as a non-organized group that allows any member of the community to join that does not disrupt the function of the park and no permit is required.

Firearms:

The open carry of firearms is prohibited on all District-owned or managed property unless authorized by local law enforcement through local ordinances. Concealed carry is allowed with a valid concealed carry permit (C.R.S. 18-12-214) issued by a state approved law enforcement agency in Colorado and all rules for such carry are being followed.

Fires:

Campfires are forbidden within district property without a permit. Only charcoal briquettes are allowed within district grills located at park shelters. District grills must be used only with the expressed intent to cook food. Burning other fire sources in district grills including but not limited to, firewood, sticks, logs, wood chips/chunks, vegetation, or trash is prohibited. Charcoal fires must be fully extinguished and cold prior to leaving the site.

Propane gas fires must be at least 12 inches off the ground and must be contained within a propane gas grill or deep fryer. Any oils associated with frying must be cleaned up from park shelters and removed from the park. Personal charcoal grills are prohibited, only district maintained charcoal grills can be used for charcoal fires. All propane grills must come equipped with an emergency shut off valve. Local fire bans may prohibit any fires, including charcoal fires, during drought or dry conditions. It is the responsibility for any persons wishing to operate a charcoal grill to know the current status of local fire bans, prior to operating district charcoal grills.

Fireworks:

The possession or use of fireworks is prohibited on all district managed or owned properties unless approved through a special use permit.

Fishing:

Fishing is allowed within SSPRD water-bodied areas unless otherwise posted or the area is normally closed to the public. Anglers are required to have a valid fishing license from the state of Colorado, as well as follow all Colorado Parks and Wildlife rules and regulations regarding fishing. Specific parks may have specific regulations for fishing, which will be posted on site, and is the responsibility of anglers to have knowledge of these regulations prior to fishing.

Geocaching, Letter boxing, Scavenger hunts, Pokémon:

Geocaching, letter boxing, other scavenger hunt-type activities are allowed as long as no damage is done to any District-owned or maintained property and the activities are not conducted in any restricted areas closed to the public. New Geocaches placed within South Platte Park require prior approval from the South Platte Park manager or their designee, per the South Platte Park Management plan. Organized groups of over 15 people require a permit.

Glass Containers:

Glass containers are prohibited in parks, trails or open space areas.

Golf Course Use:

Non-golf activity is permitted only when the course is not open for public play and only on established roads and paths and only between the hours of 5:00am and 11:00pm. Unauthorized motor vehicles are prohibited on golf course property.

Golfing:

Hitting golf balls or practicing golf is prohibited in any park, trail or open space area. Exceptions include district owned golf courses and miniature golf courses.

Hours of Operation:

Parks, Trails and Open Space areas shall be open daily year round. Park hours are from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. with the exception of South Platte Park and Hudson Gardens, which will have hours of sunrise to sunset unless extended due to programming. Temporary park hours may be set by

the Executive Director or his designee.

Parks, Trails and Open Space areas or portions thereof may be closed to the public when deemed necessary for public safety or preservation of the District resource or maintenance operations.

Litter and Recycling:

Litter and recycle containers are provided in most park areas. Park users are expected to dispose of their litter, trash and/or recyclable items in the proper container. If no container is provided in the park, trail or open space area the park user is expected to carry their litter, trash and or/recyclable items out with them. At no time is it allowed to leave, throw or dispose of litter, trash and or recyclables on the ground or in any water body or landscape planting.

Marijuana / Controlled Substances:

Per Colorado state laws, the open and public displays, use, or consuming marijuana is illegal on public properties, including those managed or owned by South Suburban. The unlawful possession, consumption, distribution, or manufacturing of controlled substances, consistent with Colorado Revised Statue title 18, is illegal and prohibited within all District managed or owned properties.

Metal Detecting:

The use of a metal detector is allowed as long as there is no damage to any District- owned or maintained property. Participants can only use small handheld garden tools to uncover their find and cannot dig deeper than 6 inches nor wider than 6 inches. All areas must be immediately restored and no digging is allowed on any athletic/sports field or high traffic area.

Motorized Vehicles:

No motorized vehicles are allowed on trails, walks, irrigated lawn areas, open space or athletic courts or any non-roadway areas unless required for Emergency Services, District maintenance, District business or have been issued a permit allowing such use.

Motor vehicle means any self-propelled vehicle that is designed primarily for travel on the public highways or public streets and that is generally and commonly used to transport persons and property over the public highways and streets or a low-speed electric vehicle; except that the term does not include class 1 or class 2 electrical assisted bicycles, electric Trishaws, electric scooters, electric toys, other electric assisted devices, wheelchairs, OMPMDs as regulated by the ADA.

Natural Open Space Areas:

Unless signed otherwise natural open space areas are for the protection of wildlife and are intended for passive recreational use as well as pass through opportunities for pedestrians, equestrians and cyclists. All powered devices, whether assisted by electricity or human powered, must remain on-trail. This includes bicycles, e-bikes, e-scooters, etc.

Pedestrians may walk off trail in an open space area for passive recreational uses only, such as: wildlife sightings, examination of native flora, or removal of pet waste. Off trail use in Open Space

areas must follow current “Leave No Trace” principles.

Organized Sport Groups:

All organized sport use of an outdoor park must obtain a permit for practice, games, camps, clinics, small group training sessions, tournaments or any special event. Permits are required for organized activities.

Other Power-Driven Mobility Devices (OPDMD):

OPDMD are allowed on District maintained property as allowed and defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Part 35. All OPDMD must follow all park and trail use rules.

Pamphlets:

No advertisement, programs, circulars, pamphlets or handbills shall be sold or distributed without a permit, and no such advertisement, program, circular, pamphlet or handbill shall be affixed to any public building, fence, power or light pole, vehicles parked on District managed or owned property, telephone pole or other public structure.

Parking:

All vehicles must be properly parked within designated parking spots at District parks, trails, open spaces, or facilities. Designated parking spots are established through the use of installed parking curbs, painted lines indicating a parking space is present, or signs. Parking is only allowed in designated parking spaces. Vehicles not parked in designated parking spots will be subject to ticket and/or tow.

Drop off/pick up areas are intended to only accommodate vehicles for 10 minutes. When utilizing a drop off or pick up area, the driver should remain present with the vehicle and not exceed the 10 minute time frame.

Parking lots are intended for the use of parking a vehicle while the owners or occupants of the vehicle are accessing a park, trail, open space, or district facility. Parking spaces are available to the public on a first come first serve basis. Any activity other than parking vehicle in a designated parking space while accessing a district facility is prohibited in SSPRD parking lots without an SSPRD issued permit. Unauthorized activities included but are not limited to: vehicle maintenance, cooking, camping, construction, recreational activities, storage of recreational vehicles/trailers, storage of personal property, storage of vehicles used for commercial purposes, etc.

It is prohibited to park a vehicle on any district property after or before park hours. Vehicles that parked on park property after park hours may be subject to ticket and/or tow.

Permits:

Permits are necessary for any activity which requires special planning or scheduling, impacts departmental norms, displaces other uses, requires an exemption from any rules or regulations, requires any type of reclamation, or alters conditions from typical visitor expectations. Permit

fees are set annually through the budget process. Permits can be applied for online at www.ssprd.org/rentals or in person at: 5500 Boatworks Dr., Littleton, CO 80126.

Pickleball / Tennis Court Use:

Subletting of courts is not allowed, only the employees and contractors of South Suburban Park and Recreation District are authorized to provide training, instruction or personal/private lessons on the premise.

Users may not sell or authorize the sale of food or concession items without prior written approval from SSPRD.

The use of tobacco products and alcoholic beverages are not allowed on the courts or in spectator areas unless associated with an approved event and properly noted on the permit. Users are not permitted to remove snow without approval by SSPRD.

Tennis shoes only. No roller blades or inline skating, skateboards, bicycles or animals are allowed on courts.

Courts must be utilized for the purpose of playing Pickleball / Tennis unless proper approval has been given and properly noted on a permit.

Drop-in / open play is for ALL ages and skill levels. Doubles games are recommended to maintain flow of participants.

When pickleball courts are occupied, participants need to place their paddles in a single file line along the fence, in the paddle holders, to determine their spot in line. Once the game ends players can place their paddle at the end of the line. Pickleball games are played to 11 points.

Ponds and Water Bodies:

In all ponds, streams, creeks, rivers, tributaries, lakes, reservoirs, and other water-bodied areas; swimming, bathing, wading, use of watercraft or the use of flotation devices is prohibited. The only exception to this rule is the South Platte River where the use watercraft, tubing, and wading is allowed.

Commercial use or groups of 15 or more, whom are accessing the South Platte River between the C470 intersection with the river and the Belleview Avenue intersection with the river are required to gain a South Platte River Permit.

Accessing any pond, lake, or waterbody that is frozen is prohibited. Ice fishing, ice skating, hockey, and any other activity on ice is prohibited from frozen ponds or water bodies during winter. Allowing a pet to access any frozen water body will also be considered a violation of this rule.

Remote controlled watercraft is prohibited on all water bodies managed by SSPRD.

Professional Instruction:

Professional instruction or guidance where currency, goods or services are exchanged requires a permit. This may include but not be limited to professional instruction in: lacrosse, golf, tennis, ice skating, hockey, soccer, pickleball, football, fishing, birding, fitness / personal trainer, etc.

Professional Photography:

Professional photography permits are required for all photographers using SSPRD Park and Open Space imagery as part of their background for business purposes. Use of basic tripod-held equipment, no closure of public areas, no guaranteed parking, no advertising to non-clients. Anything that requires vehicle access, shutting off areas, commercial or film shoots require a special use permit.

For photography within South Platte Park or South Platte River contact the South Platte Park Manager at 303-730-1022 ext. 61011, for photography at Hudson Gardens call 303-797-8565 or go online at <https://www.hudsongardens.org/explore/photography-permit/>, for photography anywhere else within South Suburban managed property contact the permit office at ParkPermits@ssprd.org

Public Speech / Assemblages:

Public speech events or assemblages require a permit prior to the date of the event. This includes but is not limited to gathering signatures for petition, protesting, or distribution of political information.

Shelter Rentals:

All organized use of an outdoor shelter must obtain a permit. Permits are required in order to guarantee exclusive right to shelter space over drop-in users.

Snow Removal:

Snow removal is prohibited on any synthetic or natural turf fields, tennis courts and pickleball courts.

South Platte Park and Hudson Gardens Groups:

Any activities where payment (for profit or donation) is exchanged, where guides or instructors are contracted to lead activities, where groups that appear to be an organized event must have a use permit. Educational groups such as public school classrooms, scout groups, birding clubs, daycare field trips, and academic institutions that are not contracting an outside guide or instructor may have permit fees waived. Research projects and any construction, repair, or access by outside entities must have a temporary access permit. Use of the South Platte River by groups where any exchange of payment occurs must have a river use permit.

Special Event Permits:

Special events shall require a permit and pay associated fees for reserved use of owned or managed property within the District.

A special event permit would be required for:

- Rentals with a capacity that may exceed the standard capacity for a space.
- Events that require the use of multiple rentable resources in a park.
- Rentals, which requires additional special planning or scheduling and/or impact departmental norms.
- Parks/resources not on the online reservation system.
- Events that will render a rentable resource unavailable to other users due to park and parking capacity.
- Rentals that require any type of reclamation.
- Events or activities where any fee for participation or services are paid including but not limited to: event entry fees, private guides, course fees, photography, vendors, training subscriptions, personal trainers, coaches or contracted instructors.

Examples include but are not limited to the following: races, bike rides, homeowner's association events, company picnics, business events, events with use of inflatables, meet-up groups, etc.

Structures:

The installation of any structure including but not limited to, tents, booths, stands, awnings, canopies, benches, tree houses, zip-lines, bike/skateboard/roller skate jumps or obstacles, rope swings or climbing holds without a permit to do so is prohibited.

Synthetic Turf Fields:

To preserve the quality of the turf and provide a clean and healthy environment the following are not allowed on SSPRD synthetic turf fields:

No foods or snacks, no sunflower seed, or other nut shells, no drinks other than water, no metal cleats, rubber cleats only, no smoking or open flames or fireworks, no canopies or stakes, no remote controlled craft, no bicycles or strollers, no chalk or field paint, no pets allowed on fields, and no snow removal.

All synthetic turf fields are closed when there is snow on the fields.

Formal games or practices require a field reservation permit.

Temporary Access Permits (TAPS):

A TAP is required by utility companies, special districts, contractors, and homeowners that need to perform maintenance or improvement projects via or on district managed property. This includes if the area is in an easement. They must obtain a TAP from the Parks and Open Space office located at 5500 Boatworks Dr. in Highlands Ranch or email ParkPermits@ssprd.org . A stipulation letter will be part of the TAP outlining special requirements and restoration of property as needed. A COI may be required depending on the circumstances of the TAP. Staging requests must be submitted in writing to ParkPermits@ssprd.org .

Towing of Vehicles:

Any vehicle, truck, car, boat, recreational vehicle, etc.; is subject to towing if parked in a district parking lot outside of park hours, within an area signed as a “tow away zone”, or if have been given either written or verbal notice by SSPRD Park Ranger or District employee that the vehicle will be towed if not moved at a designated date and time.

Trail Rules:

All park visitors are required to adhere to the following rules when utilizing SSPRD managed trails:

- Maintain a speed not to exceed 15 miles per hour.
- Cyclists, as well as park visitors operating electric bicycles or e-scooters, must yield to pedestrians, and equestrians. All trail users must yield to equestrians. Downhill traffic shall yield to uphill traffic on single-track trails.
- Follow all traffic control devices, signs, and orders given by District Park Rangers or District Personnel.
- Must operate devices or equestrians in such a manner that they may be able to come to an abrupt stop without endangering themselves, other members of the public, wildlife, or any public property. In addition, operators must stop their device if asked to do so by a South Suburban Park Ranger or district employee.
- Properly utilize traffic circles, staying to the right side and following posted signs indicating the proper direction of travel. Left hand turns on traffic circles are prohibited and riders should stay within the traffic circle until they can make a right hand turn at the intended area.
- Cyclists, as well as visitors operating an E-bike or E-scooter, must utilize proper hand signals when turning or stopping.
- Passing on trails: passing another trail user unsafely is prohibited. When passing another trail user, it is required to slow to a walking speed within fifteen feet of approach from any direction, communicate and gain the attention of other trail users, then pass safely in single file and when oncoming traffic is clear. Trail users must stop when necessary to allow for safe passage.
- Trail users must remain on-trail, when the trail passes through an open space area or when otherwise posted.
- Trail users must not travel more than 2 abreast, so as to not impede on coming pedestrians or traffic.
- In general, It is prohibited to utilize district trails in a careless or imprudent manner without due regard for attendant circumstances so as to endanger any person, property or wildlife.

Tree Houses, Forts and Rope Swings:

Tree houses, forts, foxholes and rope swings are prohibited on SSPRD managed property.

Trespassing:

Repeated or severe violations of these Park Regulations may result in the issuance of a Trespass Notice by a South Suburban Park Ranger or local law enforcement and a ban from South Suburban managed properties for up to twelve (12) months. Failure to comply with the trespass notices served to that person may result in further law enforcement action, including criminal trespassing charges.

Unreasonable noise:

The use of any sound amplification devices regardless of size, amount of power, or use is prohibited without a permit.

Noises that exceed that of a typical speaking voice and are reasonably considered detrimental to the public enjoyment of a park or open space are prohibited without a permit.

Vehicle Access Permits:

Cars, trucks/vehicles are prohibited in South Suburban parks. Vehicles for purposes of unloading or loading event supplies and all catering or concession vehicles must display on their dashboard a Vehicle Access Permit. Vehicle Access Permits are provided only to those who have a paid rental scheduled and request in advance.

Vendors and Concessionaires: When selling, vendors and concessionaires must obtain a permit issued per park/per date. They must be compliant with the local municipality and county health organization guidelines where food vending will occur. A COI must be provided naming South Suburban as additional insured.

Weapons:

Possession or discharge of a firearm (including handguns, rifles, shotguns, automatic weapons, paint ball guns, pellet guns and BB guns) or projectile weapons (bow and arrow, cross bows, slingshots, etc.) including those powered by gunpowder, springs, gas, compressed gas or pumped air are prohibited.

Wildlife:

It is prohibited to hunt, harass, trap, or capture any wildlife within SSPRD managed property. Nuisance, rabid, sick, or injured wildlife within SSPRD properties or open space should be reported to the South Suburban park rangers for further action.

The possession, setting or leaving of any trap is prohibited on district owned or managed property.

It is prohibited to release any animals or wildlife onto SSPRD managed property. This includes nuisance wildlife such as rabbits, rats, mice, raccoons, fish, squirrels, skunks, or beavers. The feeding of wildlife in SSPRD managed property can be detrimental to the health of the wildlife and is prohibited.

Collection of deceased wildlife, skeletal features, antlers, or vegetation essential to maintaining the well-being of native wildlife is prohibited.

Any action or activity performed within a SSPRD managed property that is careless or endangers wildlife or wildlife habitats is prohibited.

Disorderly conduct as defined in C.R.S. 18-9-106 is prohibited (Attachment A)

Violations of any of the above mentioned rules and regulations are considered unlawful conduct on public property as provided in C.R.S. 18-9-117. (Attachment B)

ATTACHMENT A

COLORADO REVISED STATUES

18-9-106 Disorderly Conduct

- (1)** A person commits disorderly conduct if he or she intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly:
- (a)** Makes a coarse and obviously offensive utterance, gesture or display in a public place and the utterance, gesture or display tends to incite an immediate breach of the peace; or
 - (b)** (Deleted by amendment, L. 2000, p. 708, § 39, effective July 1, 2000.)
 - (c)** Makes unreasonable noise in a public place or near a private residence that he has no right to occupy; or
 - (d)** Fights with another in a public place except in an amateur or professional contest of athletic skill; or
 - (e)** Not being a peace officer, discharges a firearm in a public place except when engaged in lawful target practice or hunting or the ritual discharge of blank ammunition cartridges as an attendee at a funeral for a deceased person who was a veteran of the armed forces of the United States; or
 - (f)** Not being a peace officer, displays a deadly weapon, displays any article used or fashioned in a manner to cause a person to reasonably believe that the article is a deadly weapon, or represents verbally or otherwise that he or she is armed with a deadly weapon in a public place in a manner calculated to alarm.
- (2)** Repealed.
- (3)**
- (a)** An offense under paragraph (a) or (c) of subsection (1) of this section is a class 1 petty offense; except that, if the offense is committed with intent to disrupt, impair, or interfere with a funeral, or with intent to cause severe emotional distress to a person attending a funeral, it is a class 2 misdemeanor.
 - (b)** An offense under paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of this section is a class 3 misdemeanor.
 - (c)** An offense under paragraph (e) or (f) of subsection (1) of this section is a class 2 misdemeanor.

ATTACHMENT B

COLORADO REVISED STATUTES

18-9-117 Unlawful Conduct on Public Property

(1) It is unlawful for any person to enter or remain in any public building or on any public property or to conduct himself or herself in or on the same in violation of any order, rule, or regulation concerning any matter prescribed in this subsection (1), limiting or prohibiting the use or activities or conduct in such public building or on such public property, issued by any officer or agency having the power of control, management, or supervision of the building or property. In addition to any authority granted by any other law, each such officer or agency may adopt such orders, rules, or regulations as are reasonably necessary for the administration, protection, and maintenance of such public buildings and property, specifically, orders, rules, and regulations upon the following matters:

- (a)** Preservation of property, vegetation, wildlife, signs, markers, statues, buildings and grounds, and other structures, and any object of scientific, historical, or scenic interest;
- (b)** Restriction or limitation of the use of such public buildings or property as to time, manner, or permitted activities;
- (c)** Prohibition of activities or conduct within public buildings or on public property which may be reasonably expected to substantially interfere with the use and enjoyment of such places by others or which may constitute a general nuisance or which may interfere with, impair, or disrupt a funeral or funeral procession;
- (d)** Necessary sanitation, health, and safety measures, consistent with section 25-13-113, C.R.S.;
- (e)** Camping and picnicking, public meetings and assemblages, and other individual or group usages, including the place, time, and manner in which such activities may be permitted;
- (f)** Use of all vehicles as to place, time, and manner of use;
- (g)** Control and limitation of fires, including but not limited to the prohibition, restriction, or ban on fires or other regulation of fires to avert the start of or lessen the likelihood of wildfire, and the designation of places where fires are permitted, restricted, prohibited, or banned.

(2) No conviction may be obtained under this section unless notice of such limitations or prohibitions is prominently posted at all public entrances to such building or property or unless such notice is actually first given the person by the officer or agency, including any agent thereof, or by any law enforcement officer having jurisdiction or authority to enforce this section.

- (3)**
- (a)** Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this subsection (3), any person who violates subsection (1) of this section is guilty of a class 3 misdemeanor.
 - (b)** Any person who violates any order, rule, or regulation adopted pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection (1) of this section is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor and shall be assessed a fine of not less than two hundred fifty dollars and not greater than

one thousand dollars. The fine imposed by this paragraph (b) shall be mandatory and not subject to suspension. Nothing in this paragraph (b) shall be construed to limit the court's discretion in exercising other available sentencing alternatives in addition to the mandatory fine.

(c) Any person who violates any order, rule, or regulation adopted pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of this section concerning funerals or funeral processions is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

By policy established by official action of the South Suburban Board of Directors regarding the issuance of Park Use Permits for guaranteed reservations and/or alcoholic beverage consumption within the South Suburban Park and Recreation District jurisdiction. "On application made by responsible and identifiable individuals, corporations, or public bodies, South Suburban Park and Recreation District, hereinafter referred to as "District" is directed to issue a Special Use Permit for guaranteed reservation which would waive, with respect for those applying users, their immediate families and guests, the rules governing the first come, first serve basis providing that this not be in conflict with any other existing applicable regulations of any other governmental entity. Further, that provision for issuance of and enforcement of said permits be delegated to the Parks Department, and that a fee be charged for this permit in the form of an adequate sum of money sufficient to defray unusual and/or extra ordinary expense to the District."

VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE PERMIT CONDITIONS MAY RESULT IN IMMEDIATE REVOCATION AND/OR FORFEITURE OF USE PERMIT FEE. REPAIRS OR CLEANUP BEYOND NORMAL USE WILL BE BILLED TO APPLICANT BASED ON COST OF SERVICE.

1. Lessee agrees to comply with all applicable rules, regulations, and policies of the District. Any misuse may result in cancellation of this agreement. The applicant will be responsible for his/her own actions and the actions of the parties represented as a result of this permit.
2. Motorized vehicles are prohibited. Vehicles for purposes of unloading or loading picnic supplies and all catering or concession vehicles must have on their dash board a Special Vehicle Permit which may be obtained from the Permit Office.
3. No commercial concessions shall be operated or charged or donation request of any kind be made of the public on the premises. Programs, circulars, pamphlets, handbills, etc. shall not be sold or given away or contain any advertising without prior District approval.
4. At termination of permitted use, the area shall be restored to a litter free condition. Repair or cleanup beyond normal use will be billed to applicant based on cost of service.
5. If additional security or traffic control measures are required, the District will not assume any financial responsibility but may assist with coordination functions and arrangements.
6. Tents, booths, stands, awnings, canopies etc. are prohibited without the express written consent of the District.
7. Destruction, damage or removal of any vegetation, or defacement of District property is prohibited.
8. Disorderly conduct and/or abusive language are prohibited.
9. Swimming, wading, boating, rafting, or tubing is prohibited in all District waterways.
10. Any machine or device for the purpose of amplification of human voice, music or any other sound is prohibited without the express written consent of the District. Parks within the City of Littleton require a permit from the City of Littleton in compliance with the noise ordinance.
11. Parks are open from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. daily.
12. Pets must be on a leash not to exceed 6 feet in length. No pets are allowed at David Lorenz Regional Park.
13. Alcoholic beverage consumption is prohibited in South Suburban parks. Non-profit organizations holding fundraisers in District facilities must apply to and be in compliance with the applicable municipality's liquor licensing requirements. No glass bottles are allowed.

14. No participant or spectator involved in any organized games or contests may consume alcoholic beverages. Alcoholic beverages shall be prohibited within 100 feet of any athletic field or swimming pool and in certain park areas adjacent to a school. PLEASE NOTE: all athletic fields, tennis, Pickleball and basketball courts are subject to league scheduling and these groups have priority use of fields.
15. The District urges all groups to bring their own paper products for comfort stations as we cannot guarantee that paper products will be available.
16. A copy of this permit must be in the possession of the applicant or designated representative and shown to District personnel upon request.
17. The District does not permit any subletting of fields or Pickleball, tennis or basketball courts.
18. Under no circumstances are field and court users permitted to drive vehicles onto field or court surfaces for any purpose. This includes snow removal, equipment drop off, or set up. Should this take place, said user will be responsible for all damages to turf, irrigation equipment and court surface, user will be charged for the damages, and may lose all rights to future use.
19. No materials are to be added to field or court surfaces except diamond dry on ballfields or approved substitute. Baseball field prep and/or field lining access must be coordinated with the Parks Department prior to rental approval. No materials are to be added on tennis and pickleball court surfaces.
20. District parks and facilities are patrolled by local law enforcement agencies and all other applicable rules and regulations to include state statutes or city ordinances will be enforced.
21. The District and its employees will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age veteran status or disability. The District prohibits discrimination based on disability for any individual or group permitted to use District facilities or properties. The District recognizes and endorses the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
22. The temporary installation of inflatables within specific parks requires the express written permission from the District and a Certificate of Insurance from the Vendor that names the District as an additional insured.
23. If your group is larger than what you estimated for your event, South Suburban reserves the right to charge you the larger group fee.
24. A Certificate of Insurance naming South Suburban Parks and Recreation District as additional insured is required from organized sport groups, special events, tournaments, vendors & camp renters.
25. The District reserves the right to impose additional rules, regulations and/or restrictions to this permit.

CODE OF CONDUCT

Appropriate social behavior is requested for all programs and facility use. Individuals are encouraged to act in a way that will not physically, mentally or emotionally hurt another person. A participant may be asked to withdraw from a class or program, or to leave a facility if behavior does not comply with program and/or facility standards.

CONTACT A PARK RANGER

303.435.8227

WAIVER AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO INDEMNIFY

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to enter for any purpose onto the property of South Suburban Park and Recreation District, as further defined in the Park Use Application, to which this RELEASE is attached. The undersigned hereby agrees as follows:

1. The undersigned is authorized to make this application on behalf of the party, group or organization he represents.
2. That upon entering any such areas as described in the Park Use Application, the undersigned will continuously thereafter inspect such facilities and all portions thereof, and his continued use thereof shall constitute an acknowledgement that he has inspected such facility and finds and accepts the same as being safe and reasonably suited for the purposes of the use; the further agrees and warrants that if at any time the facility is deemed to be unsafe, park officials will be notified, and use of the facility will be terminated.
3. The undersigned HEREBY RELEASES, WAIVES, DISCHARGES AND COVENANTS NOT TO SUE THE SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT, officers, officials, and representatives on account of injury to the person or property which applicant alleges to represent caused by the negligence of the District while the undersigned and the persons he represents are utilizing the facility for any purpose.
4. The undersigned, on behalf of the group represented agrees to indemnify and hold harmless District or any of its officers or employees from any and all claims, damages, liability, or court awards including attorney's fees that are or may be awarded as a result of any loss, injury or damage sustained or claimed to have been sustained by anyone, including, but not limited to, any person, firm, partnership or corporation, to the extent caused by the negligent acts, errors or omissions of Applicant, any member of the group represented by Applicant, or any of its employees, agents or invitees of Applicant in its activities authorized under this Permit. In the event that any such suit or action is brought against District, District will give notice to Applicant within ten days thereof.
5. The undersigned, on behalf of the group represented, ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY PROPERTY DAMAGE caused by the negligence of the group.
6. The undersigned expressly acknowledges and agrees that the activities at the facility are dangerous and involve risk or serious injury and/or death and/or property damage.
7. IN THE EVENT INTOXICATING BEVERAGES ARE SERVED OR SUPPLIED BY WHATEVER MEANS ON THE PARK GROUNDS BY THE PERMIT HOLDER, THE RELEASEES SPECIFICALLY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE TERMS OF THIS RELEASE WILL APPLY THERETO IN EVERY RESPECT. THE PERMIT HOLDER/ APPLICANT HAS ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREED THAT IT WILL BEAR COMPLETE RESPONSIBILITY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THIS RELEASE, FOR SUCH INJURIES OR DAMAGES TO PERSON OR PROPERTY WHICH MAY RESULT AND WILL INDEMNIFY THE SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT FOR ANY AND ALL LIABILITY INCURRED BY IT AS A RESULT OF THE SERVICE OR SUPPLICATION OF INTOXICATING BEVERAGES ON THE PARK GROUNDS BY THE PERMIT HOLDER/APPLICANT.
8. The undersigned expressly agrees that the foregoing release, and indemnification agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the State of Colorado, and further, that if any part thereof is held invalid, the remainder of this agreement shall continue in legal force and effect.

CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19 ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE, WAIVER AND DISCHARGE

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. It is believed that an asymptomatic individual can be infected with and transmit COVID-19 without their knowledge.

South Suburban Park and Recreation District ("SSPRD") has put in place preventative measures recommended by the State of Colorado to reduce the spread of COVID-19, however, SSPRD cannot guarantee that you, your child(ren), your spouse, or anyone else will not become exposed to or infected with COVID-19 as a result of participating in a SSPRD program, event, or activity. Participation in a SSPRD program, event or activity could increase the risk of contracting COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of being permitted to participate in programs, events and/or activities offered by SSPRD, I understand, acknowledge and agree to the following:

I have independently evaluated and reviewed the risks of being exposed to or infected with COVID-19 and have determined to participate in SSPRD programs, events, and/or activities with full knowledge and acceptance of the risk. Fully understanding these risks, I, for myself, my child(ren), my spouse, my legal representatives, heirs, and assigns, hereby agree to assume full responsibility and liability for the risk of bodily injury, illness, permanent disability, and/or death which may result from exposure to or infection with COVID-19 before, during, or after participating in a SSPRD program, event, or activity.

I, for myself, my child(ren), my spouse, my legal representatives, heirs and assigns, hereby waive, release, and discharge SSPRD, its officials, employees, volunteers, attorneys, and agents from any and all liability to me, my child(ren), my spouse, my legal representatives, heirs, and assigns, for any and all losses or damages resulting from bodily injury, illness, permanent disability, and/or death, whether caused by negligence of SSPRD or its officials, employees, volunteers, attorneys, and agents or otherwise, which claims, losses, and demands arise during or result directly or indirectly from exposure to or infection with COVID-19 before, during, or after participating in a SSPRD program, event, or activity.

