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3. Fail to observe carefully all traffic signs indicating speed, direction, cautions, stopping or parking, and others posted for proper control and to safeguard life and property.
4. Ride or drive a vehicle at a rate of speed exceeding ten (10) miles an hour, except upon such roads as designated by posted signs for speedier travel.
5. Drive any vehicle on any area except the paved parking road or parking areas, or such other areas as may on occasion be specified or designated as temporary parking area.
6. Parking.
 - A. Full park on any road or driveway at any time so as to block traffic.
 - B. Double park any vehicle on any road or parkway unless directed by a public official.
 - C. Park any vehicle in a designated persons with disabilities parking area.
7. Bicycles.
 - A. Ride a bicycle on other than paved vehicular road or path designated for that purpose. A bicyclist shall be permitted to wheel or push a bicycle by hand over any grassy area or wooded trail or any paved area reserved for pedestrian use.
 - B. Leave bicycles on the ground or paving, or set against trees, or in any other place or position where other persons may trip over or be injured by them.

47.10 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES. No person in a park shall:

1. Picnic Areas and Use.
 - A. Fail to observe that tables and benches are used on a first come, first served basis.
 - B. Use any portion of the picnic areas or park, or any other building or structures therein, for the purpose of holding picnics to the exclusion of other persons, or use such area and facilities for an unreasonable time if the facilities are crowded, unless reserved by special permit.
 - C. Build or maintain a fire in a place other than park-provided cooking facilities, or commercially manufactured cooking equipment.
 - D. Camp in other than designated camping areas.
 - E. Take part in or abet the playing of any games involving throwing or otherwise propelling objects such as arrows, stones, javelins, shot puts, or model airplanes except in areas set apart for such forms of recreation.
2. Horseback Riding. Ride a horse except on designated bridle trails. Where permitted, horses shall be thoroughly broken and properly restrained, and ridden with due care, and shall not be allowed to graze or go unattended, nor shall they be hitched to any rock, tree or shrub.

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1. Bring, or have in possession, or set off or otherwise cause to explode or discharge or burn, any firecrackers, torpedo, rocket, or other fireworks or explosives of inflammable material, or discharge them or throw them into any area except by permit issued by authorized City officials.
2. All dogs or other domestic animals shall be restrained at all times on adequate leashes.
3. Build or attempt to build a fire except in such designated areas. No person shall with malicious intent throw, or otherwise scatter lighted matches, burning cigarettes or cigars or other inflammable material within any park area or on any highway, road or street abutting or contiguous thereto.
4. Enter an area posted as "Closed to the Public" or use or abet the use of any area in violation of posted notices.
5. Remain idle in essentially one location, which includes the concepts of spending time idly, loafing, walking about aimlessly, and the colloquial expression "hanging around."
6. Engage in any loud, boisterous, threatening, abusive, insulting or indecent language, or engage in any disorderly conduct or behavior tending to breach the public peace.
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1. Parks shall be open to the public during the designated dates as set by the City Council. The opening and closing hours for each individual park shall be posted therein for public information.
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