



# North East Community Park Rules and Regulations



TOWN OF NORTH EAST, MARYLAND

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PARKS AND RECREATIONAL AREA PERMITS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS
Phone: 410-287-5801 Fax: 410-287-8267

DATE:
PERMIT NO.

APPLICANT(S)

ADDRESS: PHONE

SPONSOR OF EVENT:

ADDRESS: PHONE

DATE OF EVENT: RAIN DATE
TIME OF EVENT (FROM) A.M./P.M. (TO) P.M.

PARK LOCATION: NORTH EAST TOWN PARK
TURNER PARK
HERRING SNATCHER'S PARK
SANTA HOUSE

PAVILION DESIRED: BENJAMIN
CROUCH
LEVY
GILBERT LIGHTHOUSE PAVILION (NO FOOD OR DRINK ALLOWED)

NUMBER OF PERSON ANTICIPATED TO ATTEND:
BRIEF OUTLINE OF ACTIVITIES

- 1) The permittee shall be bound by all park rules and regulations...
2) The person(s) to whom the permit is issued shall be liable for all loss, damage or injury...
3) The use of electricity and water is prohibited except as authorized by special exception by the Mayor and Commissioners.
4) Restrooms are closed Monday through Friday after 4:30 P.M.
5) Reservation Fee is non-refundable.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL SET FORTH IN THIS PERMIT AND HAVE RECEIVED APPLICABLE REGULATIONS. I UNDERSTAND THE FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

IS INSURANCE APPLICABLE TO THIS PERMIT YES NO

IF YES A. AMOUNT REQUIRED
B. DATE POLICY SUBMITTED TO TOWN
C. DATE POLICY APPROVED BY TOWN

NOTE: IF INSURANCE IS APPLICABLE TO THE PERMIT, THE TOWN RESERVES THE RIGHT TO HAVE IT REVIEWED.

DATE & AMOUNT PAID APPROVED BY:

PLEASE NOTE: IF THE RAIN DATE IS NEEDED, YOU MUST CALL THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY BY NOON OR FORFEIT THE DATE.

## **Gilbert Lighthouse Pavilion Rules and Regulations**

In addition to Section 4-701. Certain Actions and Conduct Prohibited of the Town of North East Code of Ordinances, the following shall be applicable to the Gilbert Lighthouse Pavilion:

1. No Food or Drink is allowed on the Pavilion
2. No person shall staple, nail or affix in anyway

Revised July 28, 2021

**Article 7. Parks and Recreation Areas**Section 4-701. Discharging of Firearms

*(Added 01/03/06 by Emergency Ordinance 2006-01-01; Repealed 03/01/2016 and Reenacted as 4-801 by Ordinance 2016-01-01)*

Section 4-701. Permits for Special Events

The Mayor and Commissioners may establish by Resolution, Policies, Procedures and Fees for the issuance of permits to conduct special events and festivals on public property in the Town of North East. *(Enacted 03/01/16 by Ordinance 2016-01-01)*

Section 4-702. Violations and Penalties

*(Added 01/03/06 by Emergency Ordinance 2006-01-01; Repealed 03/01/2016 and Reenacted as 4-802 by Ordinance 2016-01-01)*

Section 4-702. Certain Actions and Conduct Prohibited.

1. No person in a public park or recreation area shall:
  - a. Willfully mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with or displace or remove any buildings, bridges, tables, benches, fireplaces, railings, pavings, or paving materials, waterlines 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 or facilities or any park property or appurtenance whatsoever, either real or personal.
  - b. Fail to cooperate in maintaining restrooms and washrooms in a neat and sanitary condition. No person over the age of six (6) years shall use the restrooms and washrooms designated for the opposite sex.
  - c. 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.
  - d. Construct or erect any building 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 hereunder.
  - e. Damage, cut, carve, transplant or remove any tree or plant or injure the bark or pick the flowers or seeds of any tree or plant, dig or otherwise disturb grass areas or in any other way injure the natural beauty or usefulness of any area.

- f. Climb any tree or sit, walk or stand upon monuments, vases, planters, fountains, railings, fences or upon any other property not designated or customarily used for such purposes.
- g. Tie or hitch an animal to any tree or plant.
- h. Hunt, molest, harm, frighten, kill, trap, pursue, tease, shoot or throw missiles at any animal, wildlife, reptile or bird, nor shall one remove or have in his possession the young of any wild animal or the eggs or nest, or the young of any reptile or bird. Exception to the foregoing is made in that snakes known to be deadly, poisonous or other deadly reptiles may be killed on sight.
- i. Throw, discharge or otherwise place or cause to be placed in any body of water in or adjacent to any park or any tributary stream, storm sewer, or drain flowing into such water, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which may result in the pollution of said waters.
- j. Have brought in or dump in, deposit or leave any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, bones, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage, or refuse or other trash. No such refuse or trash shall be placed in any waters in or contiguous to any park, nor shall it be left anywhere on the grounds thereof, but shall be placed in the proper receptacles where these are provided. 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 it shall be properly disposed of elsewhere.
- k. Drive any vehicle on any area except the paved park roads or parking areas or such areas as may on occasion be specifically designated as temporary parking areas by the Town Board.
- l. Park a vehicle in other than an established or designated parking area, and parking shall be in accordance with the posted directions, and with the instruction of any attendant who may be present.
- m. Leave a vehicle standing or parked at night in established parking areas or elsewhere in the park.
- n. Ride a bicycle without reasonable regard to the safety of others.
- o. Leave a bicycle lying on the ground or where other persons may trip over it or be injured by it.

- p. Carry or possess firearms of any description or air rifles, spring guns, bows and arrows, slings or any other weapon potentially inimical to wildlife and dangerous to human safety or any instrument that can be loaded with and fire blank cartridges or any kind of trapping device. Shooting into park areas from beyond park boundaries is forbidden.
- q. Set up tents, shacks or any other temporary shelter for the purpose of overnight camping, nor shall any person leave in a park after closing hours movable structure or special vehicle to be used or that could be used for such purpose, such as a house trailer, camp trailer, camp wagon or the like.
- r. Take part in or abet the playing of any games involving thrown or otherwise propelled objects such as balls, stones, arrows, javelins, horseshoes, quoits, or model airplanes, except in those areas set apart for such forms of recreation. The playing of rough or comparatively dangerous games such as football and baseball is prohibited, except on the fields provided therefore. Roller skating and skateboards shall be prohibited on tennis and basketball facilities.

2. While in a public park or recreation area, all persons shall conduct themselves in a proper and orderly manner, and in particular, no person shall:

- a. Bring alcoholic beverages or drink same at any time, nor shall any person be under the influence of intoxicating liquor in a park.
- b. Have in his possession, or set or otherwise cause to explode or discharge or burn, any firecrackers, rockets or other fireworks, firecrackers, or explosives of flammable material, or discharge them or throw them into any such areas from lands or highways adjacent thereto. This prohibition includes any substance, compound, mixture or article that in conjunction with any other substance or compound would be dangerous from any of the foregoing standpoints. At the direction of the Town Board, permits may be given for conducting properly supervised fireworks displays in designated park areas.
- c. Be responsible for the entry of a dog or other domestic animal into park areas. All dogs in those areas where such animals are permitted shall be restrained at all times on adequate leashes not greater than six (6) feet in length.
- d. Occupy any seat or bench or enter into or loiter or remain in any pavilion or any other park structure or section thereof which may be reserved and designated by the Town Board for the use of the

opposite sex. Exception is made for children under six (6) years of age.

- e. Appear at any place in other than proper clothing.
  - f. Solicit alms or contributions for any purpose, whether public or private.
  - g. Build or attempt to build a fire, except in such areas and under such regulations as may be designated by the Town Board. No person shall chop, throw or otherwise scatter lighted matches, burning cigarettes or cigars, tobacco paper or other flammable materials within any park or on any highways, roads or streets abutting or contiguous thereto.
  - h. Enter an area posted as closed to the public, nor shall any person use or abet in the use of any area in violation of posted notices.
  - i. Gamble, or participate in or abet any game of chance, except in such areas and under such regulations as may be designated by the Town Board.
  - j. Sleep or lounge protractedly on seat or benches or other areas or engage in loud boisterous, threatening, abusive, insulting or indecent language or engage in any disorderly conduct or behavior tending to breach the public peace.
  - k. Fail to produce and exhibit any permit from the Town Board he claims to have, upon request of any authorized person who shall desire to inspect the same for the purpose of enforcing compliance with any ordinance or rule.
  - l. Disturb or interfere unreasonably with any person or party occupying any area or participating in any activity under the authority and regulation of the Town Board.
  - m. Expose or offer for sale any article or thing, nor shall one station or place any stand, cart or vehicle for the transportation, sale or display of any such article or thing. Exception is here made as to any person acting by and under the authority and regulation of the Town Board.
  - n. Paste, glue, tack or otherwise post any sign, placard, advertisement or inscription whatever, nor shall any person erect or cause to be erected any sign whatever on any public lands or highways or roads adjacent to a park.
3. The following additional requirements shall apply to the use by any person

of the Town of North East Pier:

- a. The Town of North East shall not be liable for the care or protection of any boat or vessel, including any gear, equipment, contents or other property which is docked or otherwise located at the Town of North East Pier. The Town of North East shall not be liable for any loss or damage to any boat or vessel, including but limited to any loss or damage to any gear, equipment, contents or any other property which is located or docked at the Town of North East Pier. The Town of North East shall not be liable for any injury to any person or persons or death to any person or persons as a result of the use in any manner of the Town of North East Pier.
- b. Boat owners are responsible for damages to dock structures and pilings caused by their vessel.
- c. No charcoal, open fires or gas BBQ are allowed to be used on North East Town Pier or on boats while moored to the pier.
- d. Swimming and diving shall not be permitted from the pier or boat moored to the pier.
- e. Biking, skateboarding or roller blading are not permitted on docks.
- f. Small children should wear lifejackets and be supervised at all times while on the dock or finger piers.
- g. Noise shall be kept to a minimum at all times.
- h. Abusive language is strictly prohibited.
- i. Absolutely no sewage shall be unlawfully discharged into the harbor.
- j. No washing, cleaning or repairs of any boat shall be allowed at any time.
- k. No laundry shall be hung from boats, docks or finger piers.
- l. Pets shall be leashed at all times. Owners are required to clean up after their pet.
- m. Docking is permitted from dawn to dusk. No overnight docking is permitted. This paragraph does not apply to any private, non-profit organization recognized by the IRS (Internal Revenue Service) which owns a vessel for the purpose of environment education or preservation of the history of the Chesapeake Bay.

*Amended 07/16/2019 by Ordinance 2019-06-01*



- n. No person shall consume an alcoholic beverage or possess an open container of alcoholic beverage on the Town of North East Pier.
- o. Docking will be permitted on a first come/first serve basis. No reservations will be taken. This paragraph does not apply to any private, non-profit organization recognized by the IRS (Internal Revenue Service) which owns a vessel for the purpose of environment education or preservation of the history of the Chesapeake Bay.

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- p. No person shall fuel any boat or vessel secured to or adjacent or near the Town of North East Pier with any petroleum product from a tank, wagon, truck, or other vehicle.
- q. No person shall sell or offer for sale tickets for transportation upon any boat or vessel of any kind whatsoever from the Town of North East Pier.

*(Section 4-702 Enacted 03/01/16 by Ordinance 2016-01-01)*

#### Section 4-703. Violations and Penalties

*(Added 03/01/16 by Ordinance 2016-01-01; Repealed 05/31/16 and Reenacted as 4-705 by Ordinance 2016-04-02)*

#### Section 4-703. Food Vendors

The Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of North East may adopt by Resolution policies, procedures, permits, and fees related to permitting food vendors within the North East Community Park. Vendors shall be provided with a designated area with which to operate their business from their mobile food vehicle and/or trailer or food cart. Food Vendors may park their motor vehicle and/or one trailer within the designated lease area. In addition to Article 7. Parks and Recreation Areas of this Chapter, Vendors shall also be subject to the provisions of Policies and Procedures – Vendors at the North East Community Park. Vendors shall be chosen through a bid process set forth by the Mayor and Commissioners. *(Enacted 05/31/16 by Ordinance 2016-04-02)*

#### Section 4-704. Non-Motorized Vessel-Recreational Rental Vendors

The Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of North East may adopt by Resolution policies, procedures, permits and fees related to permitting Non-Motorized Vessel-Recreational Rental Vendors within the North East Community Park. For purposes of this Ordinance, a Non-Motorized Vessel-Recreational Rental Vendor shall be defined as any non-motorized vessel, bicycle, non-motorized mode of transportation or any other device that is not self-propelled and designed for recreational use. A Non-Motorized Vessel-Recreational Rental Vendor may include vessels which are manually propelled by paddles or oars such as canoes, kayaks, paddleboats, stand up paddle surfing, inflatable boats and rafts, row boats, and other types of manually propelled

vessels; sailboats no greater than ten feet in length and/or kites or non-motorized bicycles.

Prohibited non-motorized vessels shall include scooters; surfboards, beach boogie boards, river boards; toy like blow up rafts, sailboards and kiteboards, wind surfing boards, inner tubes and other non-durable water toys and/or angler float tubes.

Non-Motorized Vessel-Recreational Rental Vendors shall be provided with a designated area for setting up their rentals. Vendor shall unload rentals in the designated area only, and shall park their motor vehicle(s) and/or trailer(s) in the designated parking area located within the North East Community Park. In addition to Article 7. Parks and Recreation Areas of this Chapter Vendors shall also be subject to the provisions of Policies and Procedures–Vendors at the North East Community Park. Vendors shall be chosen through a bid process set forth by the Mayor and Commissioners. *(Enacted 05/31/16 by Ordinance 2016-04-02)*

#### Section 4-705. Violations and Penalties

It shall be considered a municipal infraction for any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance or any rule or regulation promulgated pursuant hereto shall, upon conviction, be subject to the replacement, repair or restoration of any damaged park property and shall be subject to a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars (\$200) and, in default of payment thereof, may be sentenced to imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court, for a term not exceeding ninety (90) days. *(Enacted 05/31/16 by Ordinance 2016-04-02)*