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RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING USE OF DISTRICT FACILITIES

**General Policy** **100**

It is the policy of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District that residents receive maximum benefit and enjoyment from district facilities and recreation programs. To place this policy into effect, the board of directors establishes the following conditions of use, the violation of which is an infraction punishable by fine as established in California Public Resources Code Section 5782.21, or the Simi Valley Municipal Code, Title 10. Parents will be held responsible for the actions of minor children. Damage to the property of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District will be imputed to parents having custody or control of the minor (California Civil Code Section 1714.1).

**Enforcement of Rules** **101**

The General Manager is responsible for enforcing the provisions established in this policy and has the authority to eject, or cause to be ejected from district facilities any person acting in violation of these rules and regulations. Further, the General Manager has the authority to deny use of facilities to individuals or groups who refuse to comply with these rules and regulations.

**Ordinance No. 2** **102**

Ordinance No. 2 is an ordinance of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Board of Directors establishing rules and conditions governing the use of district parks and facilities and participation in district programs.

The Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Board of Directors ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Purpose and Authority. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish rules and conditions for the use of parks and recreational facilities of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District and rules for participation in programs of the district to ensure that all persons using district parks and facilities and participating in district programs may receive maximum benefit and enjoyment from their use of district parks and facilities and from their participation in district programs. This ordinance is established and adopted pursuant to the authority granted to the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Board of Directors by California Public Resources Code Section 5782.21.

SECTION 2. Violation of Ordinance. The violation of any of the rules and conditions for use set forth in this ordinance will be an infraction punishable by fine as set forth in California Public Resources Code Section 5782.21. However, the fact that the conduct of a person violates the rules

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and provisions of this ordinance will not preclude prosecution of that person pursuant to the California Penal Code or other provisions of California law or pursuant to the provisions of the Simi Valley Municipal Code.

SECTION 3. Enforcement. The General Manager and Park Rangers of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District and all other law enforcement officers possessing authority to act within the boundaries of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District will have the authority to enforce all of the rules and provisions contained in this ordinance, and they will have the authority to eject or cause to be ejected from district parks and facilities any person acting in violation of this ordinance. Further, the General Manager and Park Rangers of the district will have the authority to deny use of district parks and facilities and participation in district programs to individuals and groups who fail to comply with this ordinance.

SECTION 4. Rules and Conditions for Use for District Parks and Facilities and Participation in District Programs. The following rules and provisions will be applicable to the use of all parks and facilities owned, managed, controlled or operated by the district and to participate in district programs:

1. No person will cut, injure, deface, remove, or disturb any tree, shrub, bush, flower, plant, building, fence, bench, table, or other structure, apparatus or property; or pick, cut or remove any tree, shrub, bush, flower, or plant; or mark or write upon any building, fence, bench, table or other structure or erect any structure of any kind; or deposit any earth, rock, or other substance on district property.
2. No person will walk, climb, stand, or sit upon any property not designated or customarily used for such purposes.
3. No person will dump, deposit, or leave any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper boxes, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage, refuse or other trash except that such items which are incidental to the use of the park or facility may be deposited in receptacles provided by the district for disposal of same.
4. No person will ride a horse or animal of any description onto or over land owned, managed, controlled or operated by the district except upon areas designated by the district for such use and at times designated by the district for such use.

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5. No person will operate powered or line-attached model crafts of any kind or description or motorized or self-propelled vehicles on or over district parks and facilities except in areas set aside for those specific activities. No person will ride a bicycle except on designated bicycle trails and parking areas.
6. No person will park, abandon or otherwise allow to remain on district parks or facilities between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. automobiles, trailers, campers, motor homes, recreational vehicles, and conveyances licensed by the California Department of Motor Vehicles owned by or controlled by said person except with permission of the district, unless the park or facility is otherwise posted.
7. No person will smoke or in other ways engage in the use of tobacco in any form in violation of rules posted at district parks and facilities, and no person under the age of 18 years may use or possess tobacco.
8. No person will make or kindle an open fire except in picnic stoves or fire circles provided by the district for that purpose, and no person will operate a barbeque or other cooking device in a manner which will damage turf or district property.
9. No person will use abusive, profane or indecent language, or exhibit any conduct that may annoy others.
10. No person will permit animals owned or controlled by said person to be let loose in district parks and facilities, except at such times and under such conditions as may be expressly permitted by the district. Dogs must be held on leash.
11. No person will carry or discharge firearms, gas or air-powered weapons, rockets, or slingshots or throw stones or other missiles.
12. No person will sell, offer or solicit for sale any goods, merchandise, or services without a special permit from the district.
13. No person will drink any malt, spiritous, or vinous liquor containing more than one-half (1/2) of one percent of alcohol by volume, and no person will hold or exercise control over any open container containing such beverage in or upon any district park or facility unless such actions have been authorized by the district by special permit or other action of the board of directors or General Manager.

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14. No person will maintain gambling equipment, except that equipment incidental to the playing of bingo by organizations which have qualified for and obtained a permit for such purposes from the City of Simi Valley or the County of Ventura.
15. No person will play baseball except on diamonds expressly set aside for this activity. No person will play softball except on softball fields.
16. No person will hold, conduct, or address any public assemblage, meeting, or gathering, or take part in any public debate or discussion without first having obtained a written permit from the district.
17. No person may remain, stay, or loiter in a district park between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. without written authorization. Unescorted minors will observe curfew laws.
18. No person will distribute any circulars, cards, or written matter, and no person will post, paste, or affix any placard, notice or sign unless that person has been given specific written authority to do so by the district.
19. No person will play golf or archery except in areas designated for such use by the district or upon being given written authorization to do so by the district.
20. No person will violate the following curb markings within district parks, facilities, and parking areas:
  - a. Red indicates no stopping, standing or parking, whether the vehicle is attended or unattended.
  - b. Yellow indicates stopping only for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or freight for no more than ten (10) minutes.
  - c. White indicates stopping for the purpose of loading or unloading of passengers for no more than five (5) minutes.
  - d. Green indicates thirty (30) minute parking.
  - e. Blue indicates parking limited exclusively to the vehicles of physically handicapped persons as described in the California Vehicle Code.

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21. No person will possess or use fireworks (firecrackers, rockets and similar items customarily associated with Independence Day celebrations) except by special permit from the district.
22. No person will park motorcycles or other motorized vehicles, whether attended or unattended, on district parks or facilities except at parking lots provided by the district or as otherwise permitted by written authorization granted by the district.
23. No person over the age of seven (7) years will enter or use restrooms other than those provided for that person's gender. No person will encourage or invite another person over the age of seven (7) years to enter or use a restroom which is not provided for the gender of the person so encouraged or invited.
24. No person will use hang gliders, air balloons or similar apparatus, or land or take off such apparatus on or from park property without a special written permit from the district.
25. No person will use a skateboard or any similar device unless the district has given that person specific written permission to do so.
26. No person will swim, wade, or enter into any park waters which are not designated for public swimming unless the district has given that person specific written permission to do so. No person will place or operate a boat in any park waters which are not designated for boating unless the district has given that person specific written permission to do so.
27. No person will appear nude except in authorized areas set aside for that purpose by the district. The word "nude," as used herein, means unclothed or in such a state of undress as to expose any part or portion of the pubic or anal region or genitalia of any person, or any portion of the breast at or below the areola thereof of any female person.
28. No person will permit feces of animals (except guide dogs) owned or controlled by that person to remain on park grounds for a period in excess of five (5) minutes following the time the animal defecates.
29. No person will repair, renovate or paint any vehicle on park property, unless the repairs performed are of an emergency nature, and they are required in order to permit the vehicle to be moved.
30. No person will loiter in or about any toilet facility or restroom.

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31. No person will drive any vehicle on park property at a speed greater than the posted speed limit.
32. No person will engage in activities which are inconsistent with the intended use or design of a specific area, equipment or apparatus within any park or facility. No person will engage in any conduct which is harmful or hazardous, or may be harmful or hazardous to district property, to any person, or to the property of any person.

SECTION 5. Rules and Conditions for Use of Equestrian Centers, Riding Trails, and Other Areas Where Horses Are Permitted. The following rules and provisions will be applicable to the use of equestrian centers, riding trails and other areas where horses are permitted which are owned, managed, controlled or operated by the district.

33. No person will permit a horse owned or controlled by that person to be allowed on turf grass, planters, or other planted areas.
34. No person will permit a horse owned or controlled by that person to be unattended and unsupervised at any time.
35. No person will tie or tether a horse or other animal to fences, trees, or poles.
36. No person will use a corral used for “turn-out” for a continuous period in excess of one (1) hour.
37. No person will place a horse port-a-stall or other temporary corral on district property without a written permit from the district.
38. No person will wash horses or related equipment.

SECTION 6. Rules and Conditions for Use of the Rancho Santa Susana Community Center. The following rules and provisions will be applicable to the use of the Rancho Santa Susana Community Center and to participation in programs and events at the Rancho Santa Susana Community Center.

39. No person will bring into or maintain in the gymnasium, recreation room, lobby, restrooms, dance room, or multipurpose room any food or beverages unless that person has been given specific authorization to do so by district staff, unless that person has a Permit for Use of

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District Facilities, or unless that person is participating in a program or event approved by the district which provides for or allows the use of food and beverages.

40. No person will use any shoes on the gymnasium playing floor except soft-sole basketball or tennis-type shoes. No person will use black sole shoes on the gymnasium floor which may leave marks on the gymnasium playing floor.
41. No person will use the community center gymnasium showers unless that person is a participant in a recreation program at the community center and that person's use of the showers has been approved by the community center supervisor.
42. No person will use the community center facility, equipment, and materials except on being given district approval for such use.
43. No person will bring pets or animals, except guide dogs, unto the community center building.
44. No person will enter or remain in the community center building unless that person is wearing clothing and shoes customarily used for the sport or activity in which that person is participating which will protect that person, other persons, and district property from injury or damage resulting from that person's participation in such sport or activity. No person will wear shoes with cleats, stubs, or spikes inside the community center building. No person will wear leather sole or leather heel soles on wood floors in the community center building.
45. No person will bring a bicycle, skateboard, skates, or in-line skates into the community center building.
46. No person will play, cause to be played, or authorize the playing of loud or unauthorized music within the community center building or the grounds surrounding the community center building within a distance of 100 feet.
47. No person will loiter inside or outside the community center building.
48. No person will smoke cigarettes, cigars, or other tobacco products within the community center building.

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SECTION 7. Authority of District Personnel. The district's General Manager, the authorized representatives of the district's General Manager, the district's Park Rangers, and all peace officers will have the authority to act in accordance with the following rules and provisions.

49. The General Manager, the authorized representatives of the district's General Manager, the district's Park Rangers, and all peace officers may take into custody any item which is used in violation of this ordinance or which may cause damage to park property, to any person, or to the property of any person if its use is permitted to continue. Specific items which may be taken into custody by said persons include, but are not limited to air/spring guns, firearms, crossbows, archery equipment, explosive devices, skateboards, skates, bicycles, radios, tape and compact disc players, sound amplification equipment, powered or line attached model crafts, hang gliders, air balloons, barbecues, cooking devices, and combustible fuel or electric operating devices. Such items will be impounded for safekeeping and will be retained by the district for a period not exceeding 30 calendar days. The items impounded will then be returned to the owner, to the person in possession of the item at the time of the violation, or in the case of a juvenile, to that juvenile's parent or legal guardian.
50. The General Manager, the authorized representatives of the district's General Manager, the district's Park Rangers, and all peace officers will have the authority to eject and expel from any park or facility owned, managed, controlled or operated by the district any person who violates this ordinance or is reasonably believed by the district representative to be violating this ordinance. A person ejected or expelled from a district park or facility may be excluded from the park or facility in lieu of being cited for violation of this ordinance, but expulsion or ejection will not preclude the person being cited or arrested for conduct in violation of this ordinance or other provisions of California law. No person being ejected or expelled pursuant to this section will refuse to leave as ordered, nor will any person who has been so ejected or expelled return to the same park or facility during the calendar day in which that person was ejected.

SECTION 8. Enforcement. This ordinance will take effect 30 days after its final passage.

**Additional Rules and Regulations**

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The General Manager has the authority to establish and enforce any additional rules and regulations that are necessary to implement the intent of this policy and to meet needs as situations may require.