

City of Groton Washington Park Rules

General Rules

- Existing rules as codified in the City of Groton Charter and Code of Ordinances, Special Acts, State and Federal statutes are to be observed on all municipally owned properties.
- Park closes at 11:30pm and reopens at 5:30am; no overnight parking is permitted in any park.
- Per Ordinance 198: Except in a dog park established by the City or any private entity, no owner or keeper shall bring any dog onto any public street, sidewalk or any other public property unless the dog is on a leash or lead that is no more than 25 feet and under the control of its owner or keeper at all times. No owner or keeper shall allow any dog under his supervision to dig up, mutilate, deface or destroy any public properties. Cleaning up after your pet is required.
- Per Ordinance 199: Smoking/Vaping is prohibited in the park. Amended on 2/6/2023
- Amplified music is not permitted in the park without the written permission of the Director of Parks and Recreation.
- The commercial use of, or vending within, city parks is not permitted unless authorized with a special permit issued by the City Police Department.
- Banners, notices and brochures are not permitted on park property without permission from the Parks and Recreation Department. (Banner Policy approved 2016).
- Hunting or the removal or destruction of any plant or animal life is prohibited.
- Cooking fires are only permitted in fireboxes provided by the Parks and Recreation Department. Campfires are not permitted.
- Camping, open fires and motor vehicle use are not permitted on open space throughout the property.

FIELDS, PAVILIONS AND TENNIS COURT PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

The City of Groton values utilization of City owned sport fields, pavilions and courts by community organizations that provide wholesome recreational activities for City residents. The reservation application process is designed to assist both the City and the organization in preparing an agreement that facilitates the needs of the organization in an orderly manner. Use of fields, pavilions and courts are scheduled through the Parks and Recreation Department, after receiving the appropriate permit. Contact the Department for necessary permits.

All City Ordinance can be found on the City website <http://cityofgroton.com> Documents/Ordinances