

TOWN OF CHARLTON

SARATOGA COUNTY
STATE OF NEW YORK

APPLICATION AND PERMIT FOR USE OF TOWN OF CHARLTON PARKS

DIRECTIONS:

Print or type application in duplicate. Submit to Town Clerk after necessary approval. The original, signed by the Town Clerk, is your permit and should be available for presentation to authorities upon request during use of the park under the permit.

1. Name of applicant or group _____
2. Address of applicant or group _____
3. Park facility or area(s) requested and purpose _____
4. Special requests _____
5. Dates requested for park use _____
6. Time requested _____
7. Officer or name of person in charge _____
Address _____
Telephone No. _____

Pursuant to the ordinance of rules and regulations governing the use of parks in the Town of Charlton, the undersigned does hereby apply for a permit to use the above facilities of said park for the times, dates and purpose indicated, and in so doing, does hereby certify that all persons connected with the group or organization authorized to use said park, under the applied permit, will comply with all rules and regulations governing Park lands.

Date _____ Signature _____

PARK COMMITTEE Approval by _____ Date _____

TOWN BOARD (if required) Approval by _____ Date _____

CHARLTON FIRE
DISTRICT #1 (if required) Approval by _____ Date _____

Application approved and permission is hereby granted for intended use.

DATED _____

TOWN CLERK _____
Town of Charlton

COMMENTS _____

ORDINANCE NO. 10
MAY 9, 1978

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR USE OF PARKS IN THE TOWN OF CHARLTON

SECTION I. Purpose:

The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the people of the Town of Charlton and to protect the property of said Town in the form of public parks by establishing rules and regulations governing the use of Town parks and providing for means to enforce such rules and regulations.

SECTION II. Definitions:

Park shall mean the Elmer L. Smith Memorial Park and any other lands set aside by or on behalf of the Town of Charlton for park purposes.

Park Purposes shall include protection of environmental values, provision of facilities for recreational activities such as sporting games and contests, athletic activities, picnics, skating and like activities.

Park Committee shall mean the Committee appointed by the Town Board to assist the Town Board in the administration, maintenance, and supervision of Town parks.

Other terms not specifically defined shall be interpreted in their normal meaning and definition.

SECTION III. Permitted Activities:

Town parks may be utilized by Town residents and their guests for park purposes, subject to any restriction set forth herein and any other restriction adopted by the Town Board and conspicuously posted on the town park property or properties.

SECTION IV. Required Permits:

1. Permits, obtainable from the Town Clerk upon approval of the Park Committee, will be required for any of the following uses:

- a) The use of park property for a given activity by a group of 20 or more persons, adults and children included, other than spectators.
- b) Advance reservation of any specific area or facility on park property,
- c) The possession within any given day of:
Beer or ale in excess of 36 ounces per adult person.
Other alcoholic beverages in excess of 32 ounces for any group of ten adult people or less.

2. Permits, obtainable from the Town Clerk upon approval of the Fire District having jurisdiction on recommendation of the Park Committee will be required for:

- a) Any fires not in fireplaces or grills.

3. Permits, obtainable from the Town Clerk upon approval of the Town Board on recommendation of the Park Committee, will be required for any of the following uses:

- a) Any regularly scheduled activity
- b) Any use of the park property or facilities between sunset and the following sunrise. No organized activity may take place after 11 pm, excepting permitted overnight camping.

SECTION V. Prohibitions:

Except as otherwise noted, the following are prohibited:

1. **Firearms** - except under permit granted by the Town Clerk after approval by the Town Board in connection with a specially organized and supervised event, no firearms of any kind, air rifles, or pistols, sling shots, bows and arrows and the like shall be permitted in Town parks.
2. **Golf** - no driving of golf balls is permitted. in Town parks.
3. **Motor Vehicles and Bicycles** - except for access roads and designated parking lots, no motor vehicles such as automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, and motorbikes are permitted in Town parks. Riding of bicycles except on access roads, and designated parking areas is prohibited. All motor vehicles and bicycles on access roads and parking lots shall not exceed 15 MPH.
4. **Misuse**, abuse, or destruction or removal of park equipment.
5. **Littering** or other defacement of park property.
6. **Environmental damage** to any park lands, trees, shrubs, flowers, ferns, moss, rocks, fossils, wildlife, birds and bird nests.
7. **Concession** - selling of any food, equipment or any other chattel, unless by permit obtained from the Town Clerk, with the approval of the Town Board.

SECTION VI. Baseball and Softball:

Such games may be played only on ball fields, Games scheduled under permit shall have priority. Pick-up and informal games may be conducted on a first come basis, but not to conflict with scheduled games.

SECTION VII. Dogs:

All dogs and pets must be kept under the control of their owners as provided by law. Any misbehaving or nuisance causing pet may be ordered removed from park lands by the official in charge or any peace officer or dog warden.

SECTION VIII. Horses:

Horses are permitted only on vehicle access roads or designated horse or bridle paths.

SECTION IX. Fires:

Fires may be built only in fireplaces and grills. Fuel must be brought in for such fires unless wood fuel is provided in picnic areas. No wood may be removed from trees for firewood.

SECTION X.

Park Hours: Normal park hours shall be from sunrise to sunset except as permitted by Section IV, 3b.

SECTION XI.

General Conduct: All persons using town parks must conduct themselves in a decent, respectable manner and not to engage in activity in a manner as to disturb or infringe upon the rights of others; to obey all park regulations and to apply common sense and consideration for others in all of their activities.

SECTION XII. Enforcement:

Violation of any provision of this ordinance shall be an offense. Any violator may be cited by any peace officer or served with notice to appear upon written complaint and shall appear in Town Justice Court at the time and place specified. Each violation of this ordinance is punishable by a fine not to exceed Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars, or imprisonment for a time not to exceed ten (10) days. Violators may further be obligated to repair any damage caused to park property or facilities or to replace any facilities destroyed or removed from park property.

SECTION VIII. Severability:

If any portion of this ordinance shall be judged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate any other portion of this ordinance, but shall be confined in its operation to the portion thereof directly involved in the litigation in which such judgment shall have been rendered.