

Introduction

The Pima County Parks Rules are adopted by the Pima County Parks and Recreation Commission as the code of rules and regulations for Pima County parks and recreation areas pursuant to A.R.S. 11-935(B)(2) and 11-936.

The Pima County Parks Rules are organized by subject matter under an expandable two-factor decimal numbering system which is designed to facilitate supplementation without disturbing the numbering of existing provisions. Each section number designates, in sequence, the numbers of the chapter and section. Thus, Section 2.020 is Section 020 located in Chapter 2.

In parentheses following each section, is a legislative history identifying the specific sources for the provisions of that section by stating the adopting or amending resolution number, resolution section, and year the resolution was adopted.

The Pima County Parks Rules are subject to change. The most recent and accurate resolutions of the Pima County Parks and Recreation Commission amending the Pima County Parks Rules may be found in the Pima County Parks and Recreation Department office.

The Pima County Parks Rules may be cited thus:

Pima County Parks Rules, Ch. 4, Sec. 040 or P.C.P.R. § 4-040

Chapter 1 Use and Occupancy of Public Parks

1.010 Fees

It shall be unlawful to enter upon or use for any purpose the land, water or facilities within the boundaries of County parks and recreation areas when a fee, rental, admission or other consideration has been established for such use, unless the person entering or using such land, water or facility has paid said fee, rental, admission or other consideration. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.020 Commercial activity

It shall be unlawful to use County park or recreation areas for commercial purposes, public meetings or assemblies, erection of signs, fences, barriers or structures, to distribute advertising materials, or to sell any goods or services without first obtaining a written permit from the Pima County Parks and Recreation Department. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.030 Motor vehicles

It shall be unlawful:

- A. To operate a motorbike, motorcycle or other motor vehicle on trails, or cross country, or on primitive unsurfaced roadways that have been posted, signed, or barriered to prohibit vehicle use.
- B. To operate a motor vehicle except on roads and parking areas designated for such purposes.
- C. To operate a motor vehicle at a speed greater than that posted or to fail to obey traffic signs.
- D. In all cases, a motor vehicle shall be operated in compliance with the Arizona Motor Vehicle Code as provided under Title 28, Arizona Revised Statutes, while within the boundaries of any Pima County Park or Recreation area. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.040 Bicycles

Within Tucson Mountain Park, Tortolita Mountain Park, Roy P. Drachman Agua Caliente Regional Park, Cienega Creek Natural Preserve and Colossal Cave Mountain Park, it shall be unlawful to ride a bicycle except on a road or established trail, or in an arroyo, wash or riverbed. It shall further be unlawful to ride a bicycle on a road or established trail posted to prohibit bicycle use. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.050 Destruction, damage or removal of County property

- A. It shall be unlawful to destroy, damage, deface or remove any County regulatory sign, property or facility owned or administered by the Pima County Parks and Recreation Department.
- B. It shall be unlawful to collect, remove, destroy, mutilate, damage or deface any natural resource, including, but not limited to, all live and dead vegetation and all parts thereof, wildlife, soil, rocks, and water, except as otherwise provided for by law or without obtaining prior written approval from the Pima County Parks and Recreation Department.
- C. Except as otherwise planned for and provided for by the Pima County Parks and Recreation Department, all environmental settings shall be kept in their natural state. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.060 Litter

It shall be unlawful to litter, deposit, or abandon in or on any County park, parkway or recreational facility any garbage, sewage, refuse, trash, waste, or

other obnoxious materials except in receptacles or containers provided for such purposes. These receptacles are not to be used for residential trash disposal. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.070 Areas posted against entrance, use or occupancy

It shall be unlawful to enter, use or occupy public parks or recreation under the supervision and control of Pima County Parks and Recreation Department for any purpose when said parks or areas are posted against such entrance, use or occupancy. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.080 Hunting

Hunting is not permitted within the fenced boundaries of Rifle Ranges or Archery Ranges. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.090 Firearms

It shall be unlawful to discharge firearms or other weapons in Pima County public parks except in designated Rifle Ranges or Pistol Ranges. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.100 Archery

A. It shall be unlawful to shoot with bow-and-arrow except in designated "Archery Ranges" and subject to the following specific regulations:

1. Tucson Mountain Park. Bow hunting areas are all areas in the Tucson Mountain Park, except that no discharge of archery weapons is permitted within the corridor described by 660 feet on either side of the centerline of Gates Pass Road between Gates Pass Overlook and the intersection of Gates Pass Road and Kinney Road.
2. David Yetman Trail. Discharge of archery weapons is not permitted within 660 feet on either side of the David Yetman Trail from G-3 entry to the 22nd Street entry.
3. Tucson Estates. Discharge of archery weapons is not permitted within 2,640 feet of the park boundary around Tucson Estates including all the Little Cat Mountain range between Starr Pass Trail and the David Yetman Link Trail.
4. Old Tucson; Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum; Sonoran Arthropod Studies area; Gilbert Ray Campground. Discharge of archery weapons is not permitted within 2,640 feet of the boundaries of the Old Tucson premises, the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum premises,

the Sonoran Arthropod Studies premises and the Gilbert Ray Campground.

B. In addition to the foregoing limitations, all bow hunting must comply with all rules, regulations and other requirements of the Arizona Game and Fish Department. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.110 Fires

It shall be unlawful to build fires, except in designated places, or in fireplaces, stoves or grills either provided or approved by the Pima County Parks and Recreation Department. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

1.120 Aircraft, parachutes and hang gliders

It shall be unlawful to operate any aircraft of any nature or parachute or hang glide on County Park property except in areas designated for such use by the Commission, or in an emergency. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

Chapter 2

Gilbert Ray Campgrounds in Tucson Mountain Park

2.010 Registration and User fees

- A. Registration is required.
- B. Registration shall include the license number of the vehicle and the state where registered.
- C. The registration fee shall be paid in advance. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

2.020 Camping regulations

- A. All registrants must park in the space assigned by the registrar.
- B. One camping unit per site only.
- C. Checkout time Noon.
- D. A seven day camping limit will be enforced, without exception. After seven days, the campers must leave the park for a minimum of seven days to gain eligibility to re-register.
- E. Open camp fires are not permitted. Fireplaces have been provided for this purpose. Registrar may permit approved portable grills upon inspection.

F. Under no circumstances may clotheslines, lanterns, wiring, flags, or any other articles whatsoever, be strung across or secured to any vegetation or other County properties.

G. The County assumes no responsibility for personal belongings or property of any kind. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

2.030 Water

A. The washing of vehicles and any other unnecessary use of water is prohibited.

B. Hose connections to or from any camper or trailer for any purpose other than filling holding tanks is strictly prohibited by order of the State Health Department.

C. The State Health Department requires that all water-soluble waste be disposed of at the Dumping Station, although dishwater waste and contents of commode bags may be emptied in the restroom toilets. Registrar will direct all non-specified disposals to avoid illegal dumping. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

Chapter 4

Animals in Parks and Recreation Areas

4.010 Domestic animals and other pets at large

No domestic animals or other pets are permitted to be at large in Pima County Parks and Recreation areas. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

4.020 Restraint

A. Domestic animals and pets shall be restrained by a cage, or a leash of not more than six (6) feet in length and of sufficient strength to control the animal.

B. Exemptions from restraint requirements:

1) Animals participating in pet shows or classes approved by the Parks and Recreation Department, provided that the animal is accompanied by and under the control of its owner or handler.

2) Dogs confined within a county maintained temporary or permanent dog run located within a county park. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

4.030 Saddle, pack and draft animals

It shall be unlawful to bring saddle, pack or draft animals into a County Park and Recreation site unless it has been developed to accommodate them and is posted accordingly. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

4.040 Grazing and foraging

It shall be unlawful to allow grazing or allow any forage-consuming domestic livestock to graze or to roam at-large within the fenced or posted boundaries of Pima County Parks. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

4.050 Tucson Mountain Park

A. Dogs are not permitted within Tucson Mountain Park, except in the Gilbert Ray Campground. Seeing eye dogs shall be exempt.
(Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

4.060 License

Dogs over four (4) months of age shall wear a valid license on a collar. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

4.070 Litter

A. Dog owners or handlers shall clean up all litter created by the animal and place it in trash cans.

B. Exemption. Owners of seeing eye dogs shall be exempt.
(Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

Chapter 5

Intoxicants and Disturbing the Peace

5.010 Intoxicants in Park and Recreation Areas

A. No person shall possess or consume spirituous liquor in Pima County Parks and Recreation areas.

B. Exemption. On premises under lease from Pima County and upon compliance with the terms of the lease and with applicable State liquor licensing laws.

C. "Spirituous liquor" includes alcohol, brandy, whiskey, rum, tequila, mescal, gin, wine, porter, ale, beer, any malt liquor or malt beverage, absinthe, a compound or mixture of any of them or of any of them with any vegetable or other substance, alcohol bitters, bitters containing alcohol, any liquid mixture or preparation, whether patented or otherwise,

which produces intoxication, fruits preserved in ardent spirits, and beverages containing more than one-half of one percent of alcohol by volume. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

5.020 Disturbing the Peace in Park and Recreation Areas

No person shall maliciously and willfully disturb the peace or quiet of a neighborhood, family or person by: loud or unusual noise; tumultuous or offensive conduct; threatening, traducing, quarreling, challenging to fight or fighting; or applying any violent, abusive or obscene epithets to another. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

Chapter 7 Violations and Penalties

7.010 Violations and penalties

A person who violates any of the Parks Rules, adopted pursuant to A.R.S. § 11-931, et seq., is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor pursuant to A.R.S. § 11-940. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)

7.020 Expulsion of violators

Pima County park police officers and other law enforcement officers shall have authority to order violators of the Park Rules to leave parks and recreation areas. (Res. 2000-3, § 2, 2000)