



GENERAL USE ORDINANCES FOR BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND AMENITIES

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**COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT OF LA GRANGE PARK (CPD)
BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND AMENITIES USE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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Section 1: Interpretation of Ordinances

- 1.1 The purpose of the following rules and regulations is to help assure equitable uses by all park patrons of CPD owned and operated buildings, grounds and park amenities. Where there is no rule or regulation use, park patron consideration of others and a respect for the property shall prevail.
- 1.2 All general provisions, terms, phrases and expressions contained in these Ordinances shall be liberally construed in order that the true intent of the District be fully carried out.
- 1.3 The words "Park District", District, or "CPD" will mean the Community Park District of La Grange Park.
- 1.4 The words "Park District Property" are extended to mean any property owned, leased, or under the control of the CPD. This includes but is not restricted to properties owned by another unit of local government, e.g. school, village, or library.
- 1.5 The terms "permission" or "permit" shall mean to receive an explicit written or verbal authorization of a requested activity given expressly by the CPD.
- 1.6 The word "may" is permissible and discretionary. The word "shall" is mandatory.

Section 2: Hours of Use/Permits

- 2.1 All parks without operational, artificially lighted athletic facilities shall be closed to the public from dusk each day until daybreak the following day unless permission has been granted by the CPD for later hours. All parks with operational, artificially lighted athletic facilities shall be closed to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Security lighting shall not be considered operational, artificial lighting.
- 2.2 Permits shall be issued upon payment of such fees as may be established from time to time by the CPD. All terms of permits so issued must be strictly complied with and any violation of the permit or any other CPD, Village of La Grange Park, State or Federal law, or ordinance shall be grounds for revocation of the permit.
 - 2.2.1: **Concessionaire Operation Agreements** - The Community Park District will consider agreements that allow concessionaire use of its buildings and grounds when it is deemed by the Park District that the concessionaire's sale of products is in the best interest of the Community Park District.
 1. All vendors are required to sign an agreement drafted by the Park District with a term to be negotiated on an event by event basis.
 2. Utilities, equipment labor and any other service provided the vendor by the Park District will be delivered at additional vendor cost.

3. All agreements will be approved by the Executive Director.

Section 3: General Use Regulations

- 3.1 **Animals-** No person shall bring any animal in or upon any CPD property without first obtaining a permit from the CPD, unless enrolled in a park district sponsored dog training program, or otherwise in accordance with Section 3.12 Dog Regulations. Service animals as defined in section 4.13 are excluded from this policy.

3.1.1 Dog Regulations

1. Dogs are strictly prohibited from all CPD events, except for special events where animals are part of the event with prior CPD approval; from all athletic fields, all tennis courts, all basketball courts; all playgrounds; and parks, except those designated as “Dog Friendly”.
2. CPD “Dog Friendly Parks” are defined as:
 - A. Memorial Park
 - B. Hanesworth Park
 - C. Robinhood Park
 - D. Stone Monroe Park
3. No person owning or keeping a dog shall allow such dog to run freely in any park, including “Dog Friendly Parks.”
4. Dogs must be securely fastened and restrained by a leash not more than six feet in length at all times.
5. Dog licenses and proof of vaccinations must be displayed on the dog’s collar.
6. No person owning or keeping a dog shall allow such dog to enter upon or remain upon any area of the park utilized as an athletic field, court, children’s play area, or posted to prohibit dogs.
7. Owners or keepers of dogs shall carry appropriate equipment to and shall immediately clean the dog’s waste and deposit the waste in an appropriate waste receptacle.
8. Aggressive or nuisance animals are prohibited from all parks.
9. Dogs that exhibit aggressive behavior or nuisance barking, must be removed from the park immediately.
10. Any person found in violation of this section shall be fined not less than \$50 or more than \$250.

- 3.2 **Protection of Wildlife** - No person shall trap, catch, wound, kill, treat cruelly, or attempt to trap, wound, or kill any bird or animal, or molest or rob any nest, den or liar of any bird or animal in the parks. The Park Board may authorize trapping when it is deemed in the best interest of residents.
- 3.3 **Firearms and other Weapons** - No person, with the exception of law enforcement officials shall possess, discharge, or brandish any firearm or other weapon in or upon any park property. Weapons include archery, knives having a blade of over 3 inches in length or any other possession having the ability to inflict bodily harm. Common kitchen utensils are permitted for use in preparing or eating food.
- 3.4 **Impersonation of Officers**- No person shall falsely represent or impersonate any police officer, staff, or board member.
- 3.5 **Fireworks** - No person shall possess, discharge, or carelessly handle any explosive contrivance or device commonly used and sold as fireworks in or upon any park property without first obtaining a permit from the CPD.
- 3.6 **Digging** – All contractors or other parties who are authorized by the CPD to dig any trench or hole on Park District property are required to provide to the Park District the JULIE dig number at least four days prior to the excavation.
- 3.7 **Dumping, Polluting, and Littering** - No person shall litter, casts, throw, drop, leave, scatter, place, pile, or otherwise dump, or deposit in any manner any kind of dirt, rubbish, placard, handbill, pamphlet, circular, book, notice, flyer, other promotional material, paper of any kind, ashes, garbage, waste material, snow, ice, or other substance, whether liquid or solid, or any other refuse in or upon District property except as specifically permitted by the CPD. Provided; however, that paper glass, cans, garbage and other refuse resulting from picnics or other lawful use of CPD property shall be deposited in receptacles provided by the CPD for that purpose. Where receptacles are not provided, are missing, or are full to capacity, all such garbage shall be carried away from the area of use by the person responsible for its creation and presence, and properly disposed of elsewhere.
- 3.7.1 No person shall urinate or defecate on CPD property other than in toilets in restroom facilities expressly provided for such purpose.
- 3.7.2 No person shall deposit any garbage, waste or debris into any receptacle that was not gathered on the site in the course of normal use of the park.
- 3.7.3 Dumping of ashes from grills is strictly prohibited.

3.7.4 No person shall pollute or contaminate CPD property.

3.7.5 Any person violating this section shall be assessed the cost of removing any such improperly deposited substance or material and such charge shall in addition to any other penalties provided for in these Ordinances or applicable federal, state, and/or local laws.

3.8 Advertisements/Peddling/Solicitations

The purpose of this section is to control commercial enterprises or sales on CPD property to ensure the public unimpeded use and enjoyment of the parks without being subjected to purely commercial exploitation.

3.8.1 No person shall distribute, place, post, stencil, or otherwise affix any notice, advertisements or other papers anywhere on CPD property without first obtaining a permit from the CPD.

3.8.2 No person shall offer for sale any articles or things, or conduct or solicit any business, trade, occupation, or profession on CPD property without first obtaining a permit from the CPD.

3.8.3 No person shall beg or panhandle in CPD buildings, facilities, playgrounds or the entrances or stairways of such buildings or facilities. Furthermore, no person begging or panhandling on CPD property shall obstruct or impede pedestrians or vehicles; harass park visitors with physical contact or persistent demands; misrepresent affiliations; misrepresent how the solicited funds will be used; or interfere, interrupt, or engage in conduct incompatible with the purpose of any program, activity, function, and/or special event conducted, sponsored, licensed or otherwise permitted by the CPD; or coerce or intimidate another person into giving money, goods or services.

3.9 Restricted Parts of Park Land- No unauthorized person shall enter any portion of the parks where persons are prohibited from going as indicated by signs without a permit from the CPD.

3.10 Vehicles- With exception of CPD employees and CPD service providers on CPD business, no person shall drive any automobile, truck, motorcycle or other motorized vehicle within any of the park system except upon the parking areas provided.

3.10.1 No person shall operate a vehicle on CPD property that is not licensed or is permitted to operate on roads, streets and highways of the State of Illinois.

3.10.2 Parking within designated parking areas shall be limited to the time required to facilitate the park-related activity. Vehicles parked for non-park uses or overnight will be reported to the La Grange Park Police Department for ticketing and

towing.

- 3.10.3 No person shall stop, stand, or park any vehicle on CPD property so as to obstruct or interfere with traffic or travel or endanger the public safety.
- 3.11 **Public Assemblies** – No person shall do any of the following on CPD property without first obtaining a permit from the CPD.
 - 1. Call or hold a public assembly, exhibition or entertainment of any description;
 - 2. Conduct any musical concert, play, any amplified instrument, or set up or use any communication system;
 - 3. Hold or attempt to hold any meeting, assembly, demonstration, celebration, parade, rally, religious worship, or any sponsored entertainment, social, recreational or athletic event.
- 3.11.1 Any person issued a permit by the CPD shall produce the permit and exhibit it upon request of any CPD employee or officer.
- 3.11.2 No person other than a CPD employee or officer shall disturb or interfere with any person occupying CPD property under the authority of a permit.
- 3.12 **Disorderly Conduct** – Generally, no person shall commit any act in such unreasonable manner as to alarm or disturb another and to provoke a breach of the peace or other act defined as disorderly conduct under the Illinois Criminal Code. The various kinds of conduct, demeanor, states of behavior and action enumerated in this section shall be deemed disorderly conduct and are prohibited. The CPD reserves the right to remove people due to behavior at all sites and facilities subject to fine that include, but are not limited to the following:
 - 3.12.1 **Throwing Stones** or other non-sports missile or play related aerial object in or upon park property.
 - 3.12.2 **Improper Speech and Conduct**, which includes, but is not limited to, any verbal or non-verbal act that is indecent, lewd or vulgar on CPD property, or to utter any lewd or offensive words with the hearing of another person.
 - 3.12.3 **Hindering Employees/Officers**, which includes but is not, limited to interference with, or in any manner hinders Commissioners or Employees of the CPD, Village of La Grange Police Officer or other service provider while engaged in the performance of their duties; or fail to obey any lawful command of any CPD Commissioner or Employee, police officer or service provider.
 - 3.12.4 **Obstructing Travel**, which includes setting or placing, or causing to be set or placed on Park District property any object that obstructs traffic in any way.

- 3.12.5 **Using Intoxicating Liquors, Illegal Drugs**, which includes possessing, selling, consuming or being under the influence of liquors in or upon CPD property, without first obtaining all applicable state and local liquor licenses, providing proof of dram shop liability insurance in sufficient insurance coverage limits as determined by the CPD, and obtaining a permit from the CPD.
- 3.12.6 **Drugs/Cannabis/Controlled Substances**, which includes bringing, possessing, selling, or delivering to another person cannabis or any controlled substance upon CPD property. Likewise, no person under the influence of cannabis, intoxicating compound, controlled substance, or any combination thereof, shall enter into, be, or remain on CPD property.
- 3.12.7 **Gambling/Games of Chance**, which includes playing games of chance, use of any gambling device, selling fortunes or futures, bookmaking or other activity for the purposes of gaming or gambling for money or other valuable thing in or upon CPD property unless authorized by CPD permit.
- 3.12.8 **Assault, Battery, Fighting, and Reckless Conduct**, which includes knowingly starting a fight or fight or commit any assault, battery or reckless conduct on CPD property.

For the purpose of this section:

A person commits an assault when, without lawful authority, a person engages in conduct which places another person in reasonable apprehension of receiving a battery.

A person commits a battery if intentionally or knowingly, without legal justification and by any means (1) causes bodily harm to an individual or (2) makes physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with an another person.

A person commits reckless conduct when an act causes bodily harm to or endangers the bodily state of another person by any means, regardless of whether the act is lawful or unlawful.

- 3.12.9 **Damage to Park District Property**, which includes but not necessarily limited to any of the following:
1. Deface, disfigure, break, cut, tamper with or displace or remove in or from any CPD property or building any CPD property or accessories whatsoever, either real or personal;
 2. Destroy, cut, break, injure, disturb, sever from the ground or remove any rock, soil or any growing thing;
 3. Set fire to any tree, shrub, plant, or allow any fire upon land to extend into CPD property;
 4. Cut, break, deface, destroy or alter any building, fence, monument, sculpture, bridge, or other structure or property contained therein;

- 3.12.10 **Smoke/vape**, which includes smoking or vaping any substance inside any CPD building or on park district property. No person shall smoke, vape, or use any form of electronic cigarette to smoke any substance while in or on CPD property.
- 3.13 **Use of Restrooms & Portable Toilets** – All persons shall cooperate in maintaining restrooms and portable toilets in a neat and sanitary condition.
- 3.13.1 No person shall deposit objects of any kind other than toilet paper in the toilets or plumbing fixtures of a restroom or portable toilet.
- 3.13.2 All public restroom facilities shall be designated by legible signs stating that the public facilities are for men, women, or are gender neutral, as applicable. For public facilities that have multiple occupancy restrooms, signs shall indicate that the multiple occupancy restrooms remain designated for men or for women. For single occupancy restrooms, each single occupancy restroom shall be outfitted with exterior signage that marks the single occupancy restroom as a restroom and does not indicate any specific gender. Signs shall be readily visible and located near the entrance to each toilet facility.
- 3.13.3 No more than one adult at a time shall enter any restroom designed for one person.

Section 4: Regulation of Recreational Uses

- 4.1 **Fires-** No person shall light or make use of any fire on CPD property, except where authorized by the CPD, and then only under such regulations as prescribed.
- 4.1.1 **Wood Burning Campfires** - Burning wood in an outdoor campfire at a gathering conducted by religious, educational or other not-for-profit organizations is permitted upon issuance of a Park District permit. A condition of receiving such permit is the available and proper use of adequate fire-fighting personnel and equipment.
- 4.1.2 No person shall throw or otherwise discard lighted or smoldering material in any manner that threatens, causes damage to, or results in the burning of CPD property or other CPD resource, or creates a safety hazard.
- 4.2 **Bicycling** – No person shall:
- 4.2.1 Ride a bicycle across or upon any athletic field, play court, playground, any wet or newly seeded grassy area, or any area on CPD property not specifically designed for bicycle traffic.

- 4.2.2 Carry another person on the handlebars, frame or fender not having a suitable seat designed for and attached for such purpose.
- 4.2.3 Operate a bicycle in a reckless manner so as to endanger pedestrians, the rider or other riders on the bicycle.
- 4.2.4 Ride a bicycle on any path or trail more than two abreast.
- 4.2.5 Leave unattended any bicycle except in those areas designated for such purpose in a manner that does not create a nuisance, obstruction or hazard to the public.
- 4.3 **Skateboarding, Roller Skates and Roller Blades** – No person shall ride a skateboard, roller-skates, rollerblades, or other wheeled conveyance in a manner that endangers the rider and/or other park patrons. Such devices shall not be used on monuments, or any other park amenity that is not specifically designed for such use.
- 4.4 **Camping** – No person shall place, erect, or use any hammock, swing, tent or shelter, or otherwise camp or sleep in or on park property without a permit from the CPD.
- 4.5 **Climbing** – No person shall climb upon any monument, plant, fence, or structure of any kind in the park system, except any recreational equipment installed by the CPD for such purpose.
- 4.6 **Engine-Powered Models or Toys** – No person shall start, fly or use any fuel or electric-powered engine model aircraft or rocket or like powered toy or model on park property without a permit from the Park District and then only at such places and times as the Park District may from time to time designate for the purpose.
- 4.7 **Games and Sports and/or Facilities** - No person shall engage in any organized sport, game or amusement in the park system except at such places and times as may be designated by the Park District and then only under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed.
 - 4.7.1 No person shall walk, remain, or conduct themselves upon such portion of the park designated for any particular game, sport, or amusement that interferes with the use of the park by park patrons using the designated area for the purpose intended.
 - 4.7.2 No person shall engage in any activity in a rough or reckless manner so as to endanger, injure or damage persons or property in any way.
- 4.8 **Organize Group Usage** – No person shall bring or cause to be brought into the park system any play class, day camp, or other organized group of any kind

without a permit from the CPD and then only upon such terms specified in the permit.

- 4.9 **Golfing** – No person shall play or practice golf in or upon any CPD property without a permit from the Park District.
- 4.10 **Picnics** – Picnics may be held in any unrestricted area not specifically set aside for other recreation activity within the park system. A permit is required for group picnics involving twenty (20) or more persons. Groups of less than 20 persons do not require a permit unless the group desires to reserve a designated area or shelter to the exclusion of others. Refer to Section 6 of this General Use Policy for picnic permit procedures.
- 4.11 **Aviation Control** – No person shall ascent or descent in a balloon, airplane, glider, hang glider, kite or parachute without obtaining a permit from the CPD.
- 4.12 **Disability and Reasonable Accommodation Policy** - The Park District is committed to making its facilities accessible to and usable by all patrons and visitors. This commitment is ongoing, proactive and intended to meet the needs of a diversity of individuals with disabilities in compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act (“ADA”). To this end, the Park District is committed to promoting positive participation and a quality experience by providing reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities upon request.

A. Requests for reasonable accommodations should be directed to the Park District ADA Coordinator. Requests should be made at least one week prior to the date these services/items are needed (minimum 72 hours advance notice for sign language interpreter requests).

B. The Park District also provides a complaint process for resolution of any complaint alleging noncompliance with the ADA or discrimination on the basis of a disability. Complaints should be addressed to the ADA Coordinator, who has been designated to coordinate ADA compliance efforts and investigate allegations of noncompliance and/or disability discrimination. The complaint form should be fully completed containing 18 the name and address of the person filing it, and briefly describe the nature of the allegation. Any documents pertinent to the allegations may be attached.

C. A complaint should be filed within sixty (60) calendar days after the complainant becomes aware of the alleged violation.

D. An investigation by the ADA Coordinator, or designee, as may be appropriate, shall follow the filing of a complaint. The investigation shall be informal but thorough and afford all interested persons and their representatives, if any, an opportunity to submit relevant documents and information.

E. A written determination as to the merits of the complaint and a description of the resolution, if any, shall be issued and forwarded to the complainant no later than thirty (30) calendar days after its filing. Additional time may be required to issue a determination depending on the complexity of the issue(s) raised in the complaint.

F. The ADA Coordinator shall maintain the files and records relating to the complaints.

G. The right of a person to a prompt and equitable resolution of the complaint filed hereunder shall not be impaired by nor shall the use of this process be a prerequisite to the pursuit of other remedies.

4.13 **Service Animal Policy**

Participants and authorized users may request to have a service animal accompany them in the Park System where they are authorized users as a reasonable accommodation. Persons with disabilities are invited to contact the ADA Coordinator.

A. Definitions

1. Service Animal: A dog or a miniature horse that has been individually trained to perform tasks for the benefit of a person with a disability. Exceptions may be made by the District on a case-by case basis in accordance with the law. Tasks may include, but are not limited to, guiding individuals with impaired vision, alerting individuals with impaired hearing to sounds, pulling a wheelchair, or retrieving dropped items. Dogs or miniature horses that are not trained to perform tasks that mitigate the effects of a disability, including dogs or miniature horses that are used purely for emotional support, are not considered service animals and are not allowed at District facilities and premises, unless otherwise specifically permitted, such as at a dog park or equestrian facility.

2. Partner/Handler:

A person with a disability who uses a service animal as a reasonable modification, or a trainer.

3. Team:

A partner/handler and a service animal. The two work as a cohesive team in accomplishing the tasks of daily living.

4. Trainee: A dog or a miniature horse being trained to become a service animal has the same rights as a fully trained service animal when accompanied by a partner/handler and identified as such.

B. General Rule Regarding Service Animals As a general rule, the District will modify policies, practices, and procedures to permit the use of a service animal by an individual with a disability.

C. Restrictions/Areas of Safety District may impose some restrictions on service animals for safety reasons. Restrictions are considered individually to

determine if the animal poses a danger to others at District sites, or could be in danger itself, and to determine if other reasonable modifications can be provided to assure that the individual enjoys access to the premises, facility, or program. Questions about restrictions on service animals should be directed to the contacts listed in Section I.

D. Responsibilities of Partner/Handler

A Partner/Handler is responsible for the following:

1. Responding truthfully to the limited and appropriate inquiries that may be made by employees regarding the service animal.
2. Ensuring that the animal meets any local licensing requirements, including maintenance of required immunizations for that type of animal.
3. Service animal dogs are required to wear a dog license tag at all times.
4. Partners/handlers must ensure that the animal is in a harness or on a leash or tether at all times. Exceptions may be considered individually.
5. Partners/handlers must ensure that the animal is under control and behaves properly at all times. The supervision of the animal is solely the responsibility of its partner/handler. If the animal's behavior becomes a hygiene problem, or the animal acts in a threatening manner, the District may require the partner/handler to remove the service animal from the site.
6. Partners/handlers must ensure that all local Ordinances or other laws regarding cleaning up after the animal defecates are strictly adhered to. Individuals with disabilities who physically cannot clean up after their own animals are not required to pick up and dispose of feces; however, these individuals should use marked service animal toileting areas where provided.
7. Partners/handlers must keep the service animal in good health. If the service animal becomes ill, the partner/handler must remove it from the area. If such action does not occur, District staff may require it to leave.
8. The District may exclude a service animal from all parts of its property if a partner/handler fails to comply with these restrictions, and in failing to do so, fundamentally alters the nature of programs, services, or activity offered by the District.
9. The District may exclude a service animal from all parts of its property if a partner/handler fails to control the behavior of a service animal and it poses a threat to the health or safety of others.

E. Requirements for District Employees, Participants and Authorized Users, and Visitors

Members of the District staff, participants and authorized users, and visitors in District sites, are responsible for the following:

1. Allow service animals to accompany the partner/handler at all times and anywhere at a site except where animals are specifically prohibited, such as at a petting zoo.
2. Refrain from distracting a service animal in any way. Do not pet, feed, or interact with the animal without the partner/handler's invitation to do so.
3. Shall not separate a partner/handler from a service animal.
4. The District may take disciplinary action against any individual who fails to abide by these guidelines.

F. Temporary Exclusion of Service Animals Used by a Participant or Visitor

A participant or authorized user, employee, or visitor may report a concern regarding a service animal to District staff.

1. In response to an immediate concern, District staff may determine that a service animal must be temporarily removed from parks, sites, or facilities. The employee authorized to make such decisions at that site, park, or facility shall notify the participant or visitor of this decision and that the incident will be reported immediately to the Department ADA Coordinator. The employee shall then report the incident to the ADA Coordinator.
2. The ADA Coordinator (or designee) will investigate all reported concerns and incidents where service animals have been temporarily removed from sites, parks, and facilities. The ADA Coordinator (or designee) will consult with appropriate Department personnel and determine whether or not the animal should be excluded from sites, parks, and facilities for an extended period of time, or permanently. The ADA Coordinator (or designee) will notify the participant, authorized user, or visitor of his or her decision.
3. If it is appropriate for the service animal to be excluded from sites, parks, or facilities permanently, the ADA Coordinator (or designee) will work with other Department staff to ensure the participant, authorized user, or visitor receives appropriate reasonable modifications in place of the use of a service animal.
4. A participant, authorized user, or visitor who does not agree with the decision regarding removal from the premises may file an accessibility complaint. The District's ADA Complaint process is at

G. Temporary Exclusion of an Employee's Service Animal

In response to an immediate concern, the District may determine that a service animal must be temporarily removed from sites, parks, or facilities. The Director

(or designee) shall notify the employee of this decision and that the incident will be reported immediately to the District's ADA Coordinator. The Director (or designee) shall then report the incident to the District's ADA Coordinator. The ADA Coordinator will investigate all reported concerns and cases where service animals have been temporarily removed from sites, parks, and facilities. The ADA Coordinator will consult with appropriate staff and determine whether or not the animal should be excluded for an extended period of time or permanently. The ADA Coordinator shall notify the employee of his or her decision. If it is appropriate for the animal to be excluded from sites, parks, and facilities permanently, the ADA Coordinator will ensure the employee receives appropriate accommodations in place of the use of a service animal. An employee who does not agree with the resolution may file an appeal or formal complaint following the District's ADA Process.

H. Conflicting Disabilities

Individuals with medical issues (such as respiratory diseases) who are affected by animals should contact the ADA Coordinator if they have a concern about exposure to a service animal. The individual will be asked to provide medical documentation that identifies a disability and the need for an accommodation. The appropriate District staff will facilitate a process to resolve the conflict that considers the needs and conditions of all persons involved.

I. Clarifying an Animal's Status

It may not be easy to discern whether or not an animal is a service animal by observing the animal's harness, cape, or backpack, or the partner/handler's disability. However, in other cases, an animal may only have a leash, and in still other situations, the partner/handler's disability is not apparent. Therefore, it may be appropriate for designated District staff such as managers, supervisors, or administrative staff to ask (1) whether the animal is required because of a disability, and (2) what work or task the animal has been trained to perform.

J. Emergency Situations

Emergency Responders (ERs) are trained to recognize service animals and to be aware that animals may try to communicate the need for help. Also, an animal may become disoriented from the smell of smoke in a fire or facility emergency, or from sirens, wind noise, or shaking and moving ground. A partner/handler, service animal, and team may be confused in any stressful situation. ERs will remember that animals may be trying to be protective and, in its confusion, should not be considered harmful. ERs should make every effort to keep a service animal with its partner/handler; however, the ER's first effort should be toward the partner/handler, which may result in the animal being left behind in some emergency evacuation situations.

K. Miscellaneous

1. The District accepts no responsibility for care of service animals.

2. The District accepts no liability for injury to any service animal, or injury to the handler/partner, whether caused by the animal, its handler/partner, another visitor to a District facility or site, the physical conditions of the District facility or site, or any other circumstance.

3. The District accepts no liability for damage or injury to others caused by a service animal.

4. The District accepts no liability for any injuries or property damage, to the service animal, its handler/partner, or others, resulting from the District's failure to enforce this policy or to supervise a service animal.

5. The District reserves the right to change, modify, or amend this policy at any time.

Section 5: Penalties for Violations

5.1 **Fines** - Any person violating any clause or provision of any section of this ordinance shall be fined not less than five dollars, or more than five hundred dollars for each offense upon conviction thereof, as well as restitution for all damage done.

5.2 **Eviction** - Any person violating any of the provisions of this General Use Ordinance may be immediately evicted from CPD property or areas under CPD control.

Section 6: Permits

6.1 **Permit Process** – For purposes of this section, the term "exercise of First Amendment rights" shall include, without limitation, parades, marches, demonstrations, rallies, religious services, speeches, solicitation of votes, petition signatures or contributions, picketing and leafleting.

6.1.1 – Permits may be granted upon proper application and approval where the applicable section of these Ordinances or any other Park District ordinance, policy, rule, or regulation requires a permit in order to engage in a particular use or activity.

6.1.2 - Every person requesting a permit shall complete and file a written application with the Executive Director or his/her designee on forms provided by the Park District and pay applicable application fees at the Park District administrative office. The application shall be dated and stamped when received and a receipt shall be issued to the applicant.

6.1.3 – Unless otherwise provided in another section of these Ordinances or Park District ordinance, rule, or regulation, all applications for permits not involving the exercise of First Amendment rights must be received by the Park District at least twenty-one calendar days prior to the use for which a permit is sought. Applications for permits involving the exercise of First Amendment rights must be received by the Park District at least three working days prior to the event being requested.

6.1.4 - Except for applications for permits involving a commercial activity or for the sale or delivery of alcoholic beverages, the Park District shall issue the requested permit without unreasonable delay unless:

1. The proposed activity violates any Federal, State, local or Park District law, rule or regulation;
2. A prior application for a permit for the same date, time, and location has been or will be granted and the use authorized by that permit does reasonably allow multiple occupancy of that particular location by more than one party;
3. The proposed use is of such a nature that it cannot reasonably be accommodated in the particular location applied for, considering, without limitation the likelihood of such things as damage to Park District resources or facilities, damage to an environmentally sensitive or protected area's ecosystem, impairment of a protected area's atmosphere of peace and tranquility, unreasonable interference with Park District functions, buildings, facilities, operations, programs or activities, or unreasonable interference with the use or purpose of Park District property;
4. The proposed use would substantially impair the operation or use of facilities or services of Park District concessionaires or contractors; or
5. The proposed use would so dominate the use of Park District property as to preclude other persons from using and enjoying them.

6.1.5 - If the application is approved, the Park District shall issue a written permit to the applicant. If the application is denied, the Park District shall issue the applicant written reasons for the denial.

6.1.6 – If an application is denied on the basis of a scheduling conflict or inappropriateness of the location, duration, or time of the activity, the Park District will make a reasonable effort to arrange an alternative location, duration, or time that is acceptable to the applicant. If the Park District denies an application, or the applicant is dissatisfied with the permit as issued, he may appeal the decision to the Park District Board. All other decisions by the Park District on the issuance of permits are final.

6.1.7 – Any person holding a valid permit issued by the Park District for use of Park District property may use that property.

- 6.1.8 – Subject to the terms stated elsewhere in these General User Ordinances, the Park District may make necessary changes or place necessary additional restrictions on any permit after it has been issued.
- 6.1.9 - Violation of the terms, restrictions and conditions contained in the permit may result in the suspension or revocation of the permit.
- 6.1.10 – Unless specifically provided elsewhere in these General User Ordinances, no permit shall be issued for a period in excess of seven consecutive calendar days. A permit may be extended for like periods of time pursuant to a new application, unless another person has requested use of the same location and use of that location by more than one permittee is not reasonably possible.
- 6.1.11 – For uses involving the exercise of First Amendment rights, the District may waive any application or permit fees if the applicant demonstrates that the cost of such fees is prohibitive. An applicant must request such a waiver in writing.