



The City of
WORCESTER
Department of Public Works & Parks

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Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division
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2023 BANNER OR SPONSOR SIGN APPLICATION

Name of organization: _____ Todays Date: _____

Name of applicant/representative: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone # _____

Email address: _____ Cell phone # _____

Purpose of banner or sign: _____

Date to hang banner: _____

Date to take down: _____

Location to place banner, attach picture or a map of location: _____

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- Requests are on a first come first serve basis and must receive request in a timely manner in order to secure location and staff.
 - Please see Banner Policy attached for restrictions.
 - Fees will vary based on location of banner and staff needs.

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AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Human Rights Policy. It is the policy of the city to assure that every individual shall have equal access to and benefit from all public services, accommodations, and employment opportunities to protect every individual in the enjoyment and exercise of civil rights and to encourage and bring about mutual understanding and respect among all individuals of the city. It is clear that behavior which denies equal treatment to any of our citizens as a result of their race, color, religious creed, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, genetic information, ancestry, disability or source of income undermines civil order and deprives persons of the benefits of a free and open society. Nothing in this section shall be constructed as supporting or advocating any particular religious view or lifestyle. To the contrary, it is the intention of this section that all persons be treated fairly and equally, and it is the expressed intent of this ordinance to bring about the elimination of prejudice, intolerance, bigotry, discrimination, and the disorder occasioned thereby.

The undersigned guarantees that the rules and regulations of the DPW & Parks - Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division will be strictly observed.

The undersigned agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Worcester, DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation and Cemetery Division from and against any and all claims, suits or any person or property arising out of the above named facilities by any participant, spectator or other person affiliated with the undersigned becomes aware of an unsafe condition at or on the facilities, and continues to perform at or on the Facilities, without first notifying the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division of the unsafe condition and giving a reasonable time to correct said unsafe condition.

- THE UNDERSIGNED SHALL SUBMIT PROOF OF INSURANCE, WITH THE SIGNING OF THIS PERMIT OR FILING OF THIS APPLICATION, WITH THE CITY OF WORCESTER AS AN ADDITIONAL INSURED.
- CLEAN UP WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GROUP USING SAID FACILITIES, INCLUDING REFUSE FROM SPECTATORS AND PARTICIPANTS. ALL REFUSE SHALL BE BAGGED AND REMOVED FROM SITE.
- NO CHANGE OF ENTERTAINMENT WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL WILL BE PERMITTED.

I understand the information above and have received all the Rules and Regulations and take responsibility for ensuring the organizations compliance with these rules and terms. If I leave this organization, I will inform my predecessor of this information. I am, through my signature able to bond the organization stated in this application to the rules and regulations of the DPW & Parks - Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.

PENALTIES: Any person violating any of the above rules shall for each offence be punished by a fine not more than \$200.00 (General Laws Chapter 45, Sect. 24, Amended May 20, 1977). Violators also risk permanent revocation of current and future DPW & Parks - Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division facility permits.

PRINT NAME OF APPLICANT/REPRESENTATIVE: _____ DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT/ REPRESENTATIVE: _____

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City of Worcester – Department of Public Works & Parks – Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division Rules & Regulations

The DPW & Parks – Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division of the City of Worcester, by virtue of the authority delegated to it under chapter 45 of the General Laws of Massachusetts and every other power thereto enabling, hereby makes and publishes the following rules and regulations which shall not only be limited to the following and DPW & Parks – Parks, but Recreation & Cemetery Division reserves the right to make additional changes or expansions without notice at any given time.

Within the limit of lands under the management of the City of Worcester – Department of Public Works and Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division, it shall be unlawful for any person/organization:

1. To destroy, misuse or about park property, or to injure or climb trees, lawns, shrubs, plants in any park playground, beach, or other areas under the jurisdiction of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
2. To deface, remove or destroy any sign or notice or protective device placed in a park, playground, and or beach.
3. To commit any unlawful act of violence or disturbance toward other people or to disturb the animals, birds, or fish etc. or commit any act of nuisance in any park, playground, beach area, recreation area or facility.
4. To obstruct, hinder, or impede the movement/work of employees of the DPW & Parks – Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
5. To fail to comply in any public park (including boundary road thereof) or other public place (including any parkway) under the control of the DPW & Parks – Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division any reasonable direction given by any police officer or by any DPW & Parks – Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division employee or contained in any notice posted by the DPW & Parks – Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
6. To throw, deposit or leave any litter or rubbish any park, playground, or beach area, except in container placed for such purpose. Household trash, hazardous waste, debris, or any other material **cannot** be thrown/dumped into any park or park container.
7. To feed waterfowl & animals is prohibited in any park, playground, or beach.
8. To play golf or to practice it with putter or other club or stick of any kind upon or within any public park, playground, or beach except in those areas purposely set aside for this activity or in conjunction with any organized city recreation program.
9. To take any animal into any park, playground, or beach in violation of the City of Worcester ordinance.
10. To operate a phonogram, bullhorns, radio loudspeaker, or amplifier, or otherwise create noise at a level that violates the City Noise Ordinance, Part I, Chapter 9, Section 1A, of the Revised Ordinances of 1996 of the City of Worcester. Any phonogram, bullhorn, radio, loudspeaker, or amplifier in any of the City of Worcester Public Parks, playgrounds, playing fields, or public property of building shall not be plainly audible at a distance of 50 feet or more from said Public Park, playground, playing field, or public property or building and shall require permit/permits from the City of Worcester.
11. To sell or offer for sale any goods or ware, to do any advertising of any nature, to make a fire unless approved by the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division. To play a game or chance for money or other item in value or to distribute or advertise Tabaco, alcohol, medication, drugs, or pornographic material.
12. To discharge or have any firearms in any park, playground, or beach, except with a permit for those areas specifically authorized by the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
13. To commit any trespass in any public park, playground, or beach within the city between the hours of 10:00 PM and 5:00 AM except with a written permit from the DPW & Park, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division. A trespass shall be any unauthorized entry in, upon, or across any property under the jurisdiction of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
14. To drive or propel any motorized vehicle in any park, playground, or beach except on regular roads.
15. To drive any Commercial vehicle into any park except on business of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division, or to give driving instruction to any person in any automobile in any park or to learn to drive an automobile in any park, or to drive or propel any automobile, motorcycle, motor bicycle, bicycle, or other motor vehicle (except on regular park roads) or to repair cars in a park, or to park any car on any car road except in areas designated for parking or to park any vehicle along any roadway or to park any unauthorized automobile after dark, or to clean/wax any vehicle. Such vehicles will be towed at owner's expense.
16. To erect a booth, tent, sleeping bag, inflatable rides, stall, camper, motor home or other structures or to sleep/camp or lodge in any park, playground, without the written permit of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division, or to use a tent unless stakeless and/or without the written permission of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
17. To play any active ball games in any park, playground, or beach except in areas set aside for such games.

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18. To place any snow or ice removed from private property upon any park property, sidewalk, grass area, roadway, parking areas or any boundary road of a public park or of any parkway under the control of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
19. To drive any vehicle upon any sidewalk of any boundary road or public park or of any parkway under the control of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division except in accordance with a written permit from the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
20. **Alcoholic Beverages:** To possess, sell or drink any alcoholic beverages as define in Chapter 138 Section 1 of the Massachusetts General Laws while on, in, or upon any park, playground, or beach or other areas under the jurisdiction of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division. Except on Worcester Common as approved by the Worcester Parks & Recreation Commission and with a special liquor permit in addition to the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division permit.
21. To use or possess illegal drugs while in or upon any park, playground or beach, or any other areas under the jurisdiction of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
22. **Closing Hours:** Parks shall be closed to the public between the hours of 10:00 PM and 5:00 AM except if authorized in a written permit from the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
23. **Waiver right:** The DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division reserves the right to waive and/or limit these rules at any time if in the best interest of the City of Worcester.
24. To roller blade, roller skate, skateboard, or ride a bike in any designated park area unless specially identified for this purpose.
25. To boat/float on a flotation device, motorized watercraft, or winter snow/ice vehicles (snowmobiles, etc.) are not allowed on or in any body of water (ice or snow covered) within a public park unless specifically authorized by a written permit issued by the City of Worcester, DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division. No boats, flotation devices except US Coast Guard approved life jackets. No motorized watercrafts shall be launched within 150' of any public beach.
26. To ice skate on any body of water within a public park except those water bodies designated for such use. Those designated for such use are Elm Park (3 meres) and University Park Pond. At all sites the ice must be declare safe by the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.
27. No group outing/picnics will be guaranteed in any park, playground, or beach under the jurisdiction of the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division unless a written permit from the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division has been obtained.
28. The DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division shall first approve any field, facility, or structure improvements, desired to be made by any organizations permitted to use a public park.
29. In the event of inclement weather conditions on a given date, DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division may rescind a permit and restrict the use of any field under their determination such use will have a negative long-term effect on the facility.
30. Permit request for fields will only be issued between 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday – Friday (Non-Holidays). There will be no refunds or credits issued for any reason, no information will be given, nor permit will be issued over the telephone. The City of Worcester DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division has a fee schedule, policies, rules, and regulations governing all parks. The DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation and Cemetery Division reserves the right to deny permits to those individuals and organizations that have in the past shown disregard for the policies, rules & regulations.
31. Drones (UAS) and other aircraft: Drones, other unmanned aerial vehicles including remote control aircraft, and aircraft in general cannot be flown in the City of Worcester Public Parks or open spaces; unless under special permission from the City of Worcester, Commission of the Department of Public Works & Parks, or his designee, and with an issued approved parks permit. Please refer to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Rules & Regulations.
32. It is unlawful and not allowed, to smoke in any public, park, playground, or beach as per the City of Worcester Ordinance.
33. **Additional policy for the use of the Common:** To commit any trespass between the hours of 10:00 PM and 5:00 AM, except with a written permit from the DPW& Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division. A trespass shall be any unauthorized entry in, upon, or across the Common during these hours; Common may be used only as a walk through. No active leisure activities are permitted on the Common, including but not limited to bicycle riding, skateboarding, roller blading, roller skating, Frisbee, unless a written parks permit is obtained through the DPW & Parks, Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division.

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The above Rules and regulations have been approved by the Parks & Recreation Commission

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