

Chapter 21

PARKS AND RECREATION*

* **Cross References:** Litter in parks, § 18-53; streets, sidewalks and other public places, Ch. 29; waterways, Ch. 37.
State Law References: Authority to operate recreation and playgrounds, MCL 123.51 et seq., MSA 5.2421 et seq.

Sec. 21-1. Rules, regulations generally.

The city manager is hereby empowered to make such rules and regulations subject to the approval of the council, pertaining to the conduct and use of parks and public grounds as are necessary to administer the same and to protect public property and the safety, health, and welfare of the public, and no person shall fail to comply with such rules and regulations.

(Code 1977, § 3.5)

Sec. 21-2. Possession, consumption of alcoholic liquor.

No person shall bring into or drink in any city park any alcoholic liquor.

(Code 1977, § 3.2)

Cross References: Alcoholic liquor generally, Ch. 3.

State Law References: Liquor control act, MCL 436.1 et seq., MSA 18.971 et seq.

Sec. 21-3. Certain games restricted.

No baseball, football or softball throwing, or other violent or rough exercises or play shall be engaged in, in any public park or other public place, except in areas designated therefor by the city manager.

(Code 1977, § 3.4)

Sec. 21-4. Motorboats on Hopkins Lake.

No person shall operate a motorboat on Hopkins Lake in the city. "Motorboat" is defined to mean any vessel propelled by any machinery other than an electric trolling motor, whether or not the machinery is the principal source of propulsion.

(Code 1977, § 3.6; Ord. No. 481, § 1, 4-1-91)

Cross References: Waterways generally, Ch. 37.

Sec. 21-5. Obstruction of ways.

No person shall obstruct any walk or drive in any public park or playground in the city.

(Code 1977, § 3.1)

Sec. 21-6. Injury to park property.

No person shall injure, mar or damage in any manner, any monument, ornament, fence, bridge, seat,

tree, fountain, shrub, flower, playground equipment, fireplaces, or other public property within or pertaining to the public parks or playgrounds.

(Code 1977, § 3.1)

Cross References: Offenses against property generally, § 19-61 et seq.

State Law References: Malicious mischief, MCL 750.377 et seq., MSA 28.609 et seq.

Sec. 21-7. Reimbursement for damage.

(a) *Required.* Pursuant to Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1969 (MCL 318.251 et seq., MSA 13.1064(1) et seq.), as amended, in addition to the penalties provided in this Code for violating its provisions with respect to damage or injury to public property, any person convicted of such damage or injury to public property shall reimburse the city for up to three (3) times the amount of the damage as determined by the court.

(b) *Judgment.* In every case of conviction for such offenses, the court before whom such conviction is obtained shall enter judgment in favor of the city and against the defendant for liquidated damages as determined under subsection (a). The city, with the assistance of the city attorney, shall collect the award by execution or otherwise. If two (2) or more defendants are convicted, the judgment shall be entered against them jointly. If the defendant is a minor, such judgment shall be entered against his or her parents.

(c) *Use of proceeds.* Upon collection, the sums shall be credited to the general fund of the city and used for repairs or improvements to parks.

(Code 1977, §§ 3.7--3.9)