

POLICY NO. 10-

Municipality of Brighton

Subject: PICNICS AND PARKS USE POLICY

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Approved by Municipal Council

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POLICY RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. The applicant(s) shall not use the site/park for any purpose other than that stated in the permit, which must be signed by the Director of Parks and Recreation or his/her designate. All other areas are open for public use and enjoyment.
2. Functions in the park may only be held between the hours of 7am and 11pm as per Municipality of Brighton bylaw # 2000-1046 (sect.10).
3. The applicant shall be responsible for maintaining the site and any Municipal equipment in clean condition. The designated park must be kept clean and clear of garbage, bottles and debris. Any garbage collected during the event must be removed by the applicant to an appropriate garbage receptacle. If anything must be cleaned up or cleared away after the event by Municipal Parks Staff, the applicant shall be responsible for the costs incurred for staff time. The site must be cleaned and vacated by the end time stated in the permit.
4. The applicant(s) shall be liable for any damage done to the site or any Municipal equipment as a result of the activity or event, including set-up and clean-up activities. Chairs, tables or free-standing canopies may be used, providing that they are such a design that the turf will not be damaged. Nothing may be driven into the ground or to be fastened to, hung from or placed on trees or in flower beds, planters or other Municipal property without specific permission, provided in writing in the application, which will be noted on the permit.
5. Vehicles and parking are not allowed in any areas other than those designated for vehicle parking or vehicle access. Emergency vehicle access within and outside the park must be maintained at all times. Any barricades or other structures must be easily moveable for police ambulance and fire access.
6. Alcohol consumption is NOT permitted in the park except where Special Occasion Permit, OPP and Municipal permission under the Municipality of Brighton's Municipal Alcohol Policy dictates.
7. The applicant(s) are responsible for any damages incurred to the park and are responsible for the conduct of their guests. Any person(s) who disturbs the orderly and peaceful enjoyment of a public park, or is found to be in the act of violating any provisions of this agreement or any by-laws, may be removed from the park by a person authorized to enforce any provisions of this agreement or by-law if such person refuses to leave the public park within a reasonable time after being requested to do so.

8. The parks are for everyone's enjoyment so please be courteous of other park users. While the park ensures that on the date and time specified no other events will be scheduled in the immediate area, permit holders may not interfere with the public using the area at the same time.
9. Dogs must be kept on leashes at all times. Owners are required to clean up after their pets. Dogs are not permitted in covered picnic shelter areas.
10. Selling or promoting services or products is not permitted without a permit.
11. Structures or displays are not to be set up on playing fields.
12. Tents or play structures are not allowed without prior permission.
13. Applications for a permit must be submitted at least (1) one month in advance in order that the application may be processed and a permit issued in due time prior to the event occurring. Submitting an application does not guarantee that the event will be available, only once a permit is issued will the date and location be reserved.
14. The Municipality of Brighton reserves the right to cancel the event up to and including the day of the event, with or without cause at any time in the case of inclement weather, an emergency or if permit conditions are not adhered to. Applicant(s) must designate a named on-site liaison person with authority to ensure compliance with permit conditions or stop the event if necessary at any time during the event. If the permit is revoked or cancelled the applicant shall have no claim or right to damages or reimbursement on account of any loss, damage or expense.
15. Special requests for use of Municipal equipment, use of water, power or work requests for Parks Staff are subjected to approval. The applicant(s) may be responsible for any costs associated with special requests. All special requests must be noted on the application form and will be negotiated in later discussion with staff.
16. Due to safety and fire hazards, pyrotechnics are NOT allowed in the park(s) unless approved by the Municipality.
17. Open fire is not permitted in the park(s). Gas barbeques are permitted.
18. A permit fee of \$25.00 will be remitted to the Parks and Recreation department at the time of acceptance of the completed application. Once the event has concluded and the parks facility is left in a satisfactory condition, the \$25 will be refunded to the applicant.