



Parks & Recreation Department  
1400 - 19 Street North  
St. Petersburg, Florida 33713  
(727) 893-7441  
Applications accepted:  
Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

## CITY ORDINANCES

The St. Petersburg Parks & Recreation Department is pleased that you have decided to conduct your privately instructed activity in a City park. The City's parks are for the benefit and pleasure of the public and every person may enjoy the privileges of City parks subject to compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws, ordinances, policies and rules. Private Instruction Park Permits are issued in accordance with the "Standards for Issuance" as set forth in St. Petersburg City Code, Chapter 21.

- Most City parks are available for use from 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset depending on location and/or event. Parks are not open for use after hours except pursuant to the Parks & Recreation Director's approval. **CITY CODE 21-40.** Gated park areas are governed by separate posted operating hours.
- Exercise caution to protect all park property, including plant material, electrical sources, sprinklers and sod. Report all damage to park personnel (irrigation, etc.) so that repairs can be made.
- All equipment and structures placed in the park must be removed by the end of your Private Instruction activities. The Parks & Recreation Department is not responsible for any items left in the park.
- No selling or offer for sale of any goods or services, except pursuant to the fees collected for Private Instruction and/or Parks & Recreation Director's approval, City Sponsored or Co-sponsorship. Posting any sign, banner or advertisement is prohibited. The use of loudspeakers, public address systems or amplifiers and portable gasoline-operated generators is prohibited except pursuant to a separate Park Permit being issued. **CITY CODE 21-34.**
- No inflatables (i.e., moonwalk or similar apparatus) allowed in parks without a Park Permit and insurance.
- No obstruction in any manner on any roadway, sidewalk, walkway or path. **CITY CODE 21-37.**
- Sale, service dispensing, possession, use and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages on park property is prohibited except pursuant to City Ordinance, City Sponsored or Co-Sponsored events. **CITY CODE 21-38.**
- Refuse created on park property shall be properly discarded in containers provided. **CITY CODE 21-42.**
- No driving or parking of motor vehicles in parks except on approved roads and parking areas. **CITY CODE 21-51.**
- All dogs in the park must be on a leash under the control of the owner or agent; such leash shall not exceed the length of six feet. Nothing in this subsection 4-51(c) shall prevent dogs from running at large in parks or portions thereof, which are designated as "dog parks." No dogs allowed on beach or in water. **CITY CODE 4-51.**
- The public is governed by all applicable laws, ordinances, policies and rules including the City's Noise Ordinance. **CITY CODE 11.** In addition, **Section 11-61** – Noise disturbance prohibited and **Section 11-64** – Loud, raucous and unnecessary noises prohibited.
- Engaging in any activity in a negligent manner is prohibited. **CITY CODE 21-53.**
- City Ordinance prohibits any water craft(s) from being in designated swim areas. **CITY CODE 21-49.**

**PLEASE NOTE: VIOLATORS OF THE ABOVE RULES WILL BE REQUESTED TO LEAVE THE PARK AND/OR CITED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. FOR SAFETY REASONS, THE PARK WILL TEMPORARILY CLOSE SHOULD VEHICLE OR EVENT CAPACITY REACH MAXIMUM.**

Some events may be exempt from the above listed items due to City Ordinance, Parks & Recreation Department Rules and Guidelines and City Sponsored and Co-sponsored guidelines. Noted above is only a partial list of laws and guidelines governing City Park Use, a complete list can be reviewed or obtained at the City of St. Petersburg website at [www.stpete.org](http://www.stpete.org). For those who want to reserve a park, shelter or athletic field, separate permits and fees are required.