

**SARGENT COUNTY PARK DISTRICT
SILVER LAKE PARK REGULATIONS**

PREAMBLE: The County Park at Silver Lake is a public park that is owned by the people of Sargent County, North Dakota, and that is open to use by members of the public. The Park has been acquired, built, improved and maintained with funds provided by the taxpayers. All people are welcome to visit, use and enjoy this Park, provided that they respect the rights of others who are also enjoying the Park, and that they respect the contribution made by the citizens and taxpayers of Sargent County that made the existence of this Park possible. These Regulations governing conduct of persons in the Park and the use of Park facilities are intended to enhance your Silver Lake Park experience.

1. Excessive noise, unnecessary driving, and the consumption of alcoholic beverages after 11:00 P.M. are discouraged. "Quiet Time" throughout the Park, including all campground areas and the surface of Silver Lake, commences at 11:00 P.M. From 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. individuals utilizing the Park's facilities shall refrain from making loud noises, such as from radios and other electronic devices, loud motors, bands, parties and other gatherings. Excessive noise is defined as noise that can be heard by another person who is 10 feet, or more, distant from a camper, tent or other area from which the noise is emanating. The use of the Silver Lake Park Pavilion is governed by its own regulations, and persons utilizing the Pavilion shall abide by the rules and regulations provided for that facility. At the discretion of the Park Manager, persons who are excessively noisy and interfere with the right of other campers to peaceably enjoy their campsites may be expelled from the Park and denied re-entry.
2. Mobile campers, whether trailer type or self-propelled motor homes, are limited to 14 days at the same site, except for sites that are specifically designated as "monthly" or "seasonal," and for those sites the designated time limit of monthly or seasonal shall apply. Monthly rental arrangements apply only to the specific site rented at the beginning of the rental term, and may not be transferred to any other site. There shall be no refunds of rental fees paid for a monthly site for early departure, except for good cause as determined by the Sargent County Park Board. Campers renting sites designated as monthly sites are responsible for mowing their individual lots to keep sites looking neat and trim.
3. Decks, entries and other structures may not be constructed or added to campers in the Park, except at seasonal sites as authorized in the site rental agreement.
4. Tents are limited to no more than fourteen (14) days at one camping site. Tenting campsites shall not be unattended for more than 24 hours. Trailer campers, motor homes, tents and other equipment and personal property left unattended for more than 24 hours may, at the discretion of the Park Manager, be reported to, and taken into the custody of, the Sargent County Sheriff and towed or taken to such place as the Sheriff may designate for storage of such items, at the owner's expense. The owner will be responsible for all costs incurred in such event.

5. Each campsite may connect to or use only the water and electrical hookup or connection designated for use by that campsite. Campers at one campsite may not connect to or use the water and electrical hookup or connection designated for a vacant campsite.
6. Campfires and other open burning is allowed only in designated fireplaces, fire pits or approved fire rings. Fire rings shall not be moved without prior approval of park staff. Portable charcoal or wood burning grills may not be used on the Park's picnic tables. Be considerate of your neighbors, and do not infringe on their space with your campfire or cooking activities.
7. Digging and excavating are not allowed anywhere in the Park, except by authorized Park personnel or contractors.
8. Fish or other wild game may be cleaned only at the designated fish & game cleaning stations provided at specified locations in or near the parking areas. Cleaning of fish or other wild game is not allowed in or near the campsite areas, swimming beaches, boat landings, or any other area of the Park except at the designated fish and game cleaning stations.
9. The discharge of firearms within the park boundaries is prohibited, except by authorized law enforcement personnel or other authorized Park personnel.
10. Fish, wild game, other food items and dishes may not be cleaned or washed at public wells in the Park. Fish and wild game may be cleaned only at the designated fish and game cleaning stations.
11. The speed limit for all vehicles, including ATV's, on roads or trails within the Park boundaries is 10 miles per hour.
12. The placement or use of portable wading pools and swimming pools are prohibited within the Park boundaries. The use of bicycles, skateboards, roller-skates or rollerblades on the sidewalks or patios around and leading to the Park Pavilion is prohibited.
13. No person may cut, damage, or destroy any trees within the Park boundaries, except as directed by authorized Park personnel. Unauthorized cutting, damaging or destruction of trees in the Park is considered to be vandalism, a crime for which the perpetrator may be arrested and prosecuted.
14. Interference with the Park Manager or other Park personnel in the performance of their duties is not allowed.
15. Pursuant to Sargent County Ordinance 2008-1, dogs must be leashed or controlled

with an electronic collar when within the Park area, and may not be allowed to run at large.

16. Horses may not be ridden, pastured or tethered within the Park boundaries, except by prior arrangement, and as authorized by the Park Manager in connection with a 4-H Club, riding club or other organized activity deemed to be compatible with the Park's purposes.

17. Fireworks may not be used, fired, launched or detonated within the Park boundaries, except at such locations designated by the Park Manager, and between the hours from sundown to 12:00 Midnight on July 3, July 4, and July 5 of each year in observance of Independence Day. No person who is inebriated, intoxicated or under the influence of mind altering drugs, including alcohol, whether prescription or non-prescription, may engage in the use, firing, launching or detonating of any fireworks at any time within the Park's boundaries. Persons who use, fire, launch or detonate fireworks within the Park's boundaries have the responsibility of cleaning up debris from any such activity.

Any person or persons who violate any of these rules and regulations may, at the discretion of the Park Manager or any law enforcement officer of Sargent County or the State of North Dakota, including Game Wardens, be immediately expelled from the Park, and their privileges for the use and enjoyment of Park facilities will not be reinstated unless or until such reinstatement is approved by the Park Manager, the Sargent County Sheriff, and the Sargent County Park Board, and all 3 must agree. Additionally, violators may be subject to prosecution pursuant to the Ordinances of Sargent County or the Laws of the State of North Dakota. Pursuant to Sections 11-28-05 and 11-28-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, the penalty for violations of these regulations may be a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisonment not to exceed thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR CAMPSITE CLEAN; BE CONSIDERATE OF OTHERS; AND, ENJOY YOUR TIME AT SARGENT COUNTY'S SILVER LAKE PARK AND RECREATION AREA

Silver Lake Park Regulations approved and adopted by the Sargent County Park Board and by the Sargent County Commission at the regularly scheduled meeting of each body on June 20, 2017.

James Peterson, Chairman
Sargent County Park Board

David L. Jacobson, Chairman
Sargent County Commission

ATTEST:

Pam L. Maloney, Auditor

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-1 (Amended)

Dog Running at Large Prohibited

It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of any dog to permit the same to run at large at any time at Silver Lake recreational area owned by Sargent County, a political subdivision of the State of North Dakota. A dog shall be deemed to be running at large if it is in any area within which notice has been given that dogs are prohibited regardless of whether or not such dog is retained on a leash. A dog shall not be considered running at large: if attended and on a leash; or, when controlled with the use of an electronic “shock” collar and within five (5) feet of its owner or caretaker; or, when in the confines of the owner’s or keeper’s premises.

Disposition of Unlawful Dogs

Any dog running at large may be taken up by any Law Enforcement officer or his designee and impounded at a dog pound, or such other place as may be designated by the governing body. The dog shall not be released to any person until a fee of twenty-five and No/100 Dollars (\$25.00) is paid for the taking of each animal, and all pound charges are paid directly to the facility where the dog is housed. Upon conviction of a second offense, a fee of fifty and No/100 Dollars (\$50.00) shall be paid as set forth above. Subsequent offenses shall be subject to a fee not to exceed one hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$100.00).

Disposition of Unclaimed Dogs

The owner or keeper, if known, shall be notified of the taking of the dog. If the owner or keeper fails to pay the fees and charges, and claim the animal within five (5) days of notification, the animal may be destroyed. If the owner or keeper is unknown, Law Enforcement shall give public notice of the taking of the animal before it is destroyed or otherwise disposed of.

Return to Owner if Known

Notwithstanding the provisions of the previous Section, if a dog is found at large and its owner can be identified and located, such dog need not be impounded but may, instead, be taken to the owner. In such case, the Law Enforcement official, or his authorized officer, may proceed against the owner or keeper for violation of this ordinance.

Noisy Dog or Other Animal Prohibited

It shall be unlawful to keep or harbor within Silver Lake Recreation area any dog, or other animal, that disturbs the peace by howling, barking, whining, or making other disagreeable noise. Any person wishing to file a complaint shall be required to give his or her name and address and sign a complaint.

Nuisance - When

Any dog running at large, any dog disturbing the peace, or any dog molesting passers by, chasing vehicles or trespassing upon restricted property is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

Prohibited Dogs

As used in this section, prohibited dog means: Any dog of the breed known as American Pit Bull Terrier, as described or registered by the American Dog Breeders Association, or any dog that is not registered with the American Kennel Club or the United Kennel Club, of the breeds known as bull terrier, Staffordshire bull terrier, or American Staffordshire, or any dog of mixed breed including one or more of the above breeds.

Penalty

Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a Class B Misdemeanor and be subject to a fine not to exceed One Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$1,000.00), or be subject to imprisonment for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or to both such fine and imprisonment. The minimum fine shall be not less than Ten and No/100 Dollars (\$10.00).