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### Sec. 12-1-1 Park Regulations.

- (a) **Purpose and Definition.** In order to protect the parks, public boat landings, parkways, recreational facilities and public conservancy areas within the Town of Big Bend from injury, damage or desecration, these regulations are enacted. The term "park," as hereinafter used in this Chapter, shall include all grounds, structures and watercourses which are or may be located within any area dedicated to the public use as a park, parkway, public boat landings, public lake accesses, recreation facility in the Town of Big Bend.
- (b) **General Regulations.**
- (1) **Littering Prohibited.** No person shall litter, dump or deposit any rubbish, refuse, earth or other material in any park, except by placing such material in receptacles provided for such purpose.
  - (2) **Sound Devices.** No person shall operate or play any amplifying system unless specific authority is first obtained from the Town Board, or its authorized designee.
  - (3) **Bill Posting.** No person shall post, paste, fasten, pain or attach any placard, bill, notice, sign or advertising matter upon any structure, tree or other natural object in any park, except park regulations and other signs authorized by the Town Board.
  - (4) **Trapping.** No person shall trap in any Town park unless specific written authority is first obtained from the Town Board.
  - (5) **Making of Fires.** No person shall start, tend or maintain a fire except in personal grills or designated fireplaces. Personal grills shall be used only in designated picnic areas. The use of personal grills is permitted provided lawns and vegetation are not endangered. Unburned fuel and ashes shall be disposed of in such a manner as to prevent fire or damage to any park property.
  - (6) **Protection of Park Property.** No person shall kill, injure or disturb or attempt to injure or disturb waterfowl, birds or animals, wild or domestic, within any park. No person shall climb any tree or remove flowers or fruit, wild or cultivated, or break, cut down, trample upon, remove or in any manner injure, deface, write upon or ill use

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any tree, shrub, flower, flower bed, turf, soil, sand, fountain, ornament, building, structure, apparatus, bench, table, official notice, sign or other property within any park.

- (7) **Illegal Entry.** It shall be unlawful for any person to enter in any way any park building, installation or area after the posted closing time or before the posted opening time, or contrary to posted notices.
- (8) **Throwing Stones and Missiles Prohibited.** No person shall throw stones or other missiles in or into any park.
- (9) **Removal of Park Equipment Prohibited.** No person shall remove benches, seats, tables, or other park equipment from any park, unless authorized by the Town Board or its designee.
- (10) **Vending.** Vending is prohibited in Town parks unless authorized by the Town Board.
- (11) **Plant Materials.** No unauthorized removal of any plant materials or plants from any park.
- (12) **Structures.** No temporary or permanent structures are to be erected in a park without specific approval of the Town Board.
- (13) **Hours.** Unless otherwise determined by the Town Board, parks shall be closed to all uses and all persons between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Central Standard Time or Central Daylight Time, whichever shall be in effect in the State of Wisconsin, during the period from April 1 to November 15, inclusive.

**Sec. 12-1-2 Radio-Controlled Model Airplanes Prohibited in Parks.**

No person shall fly a radio-controlled model airplane in any park in the Town of Big Bend except in areas specifically designated and posted for such purpose.

**Sec. 12-1-3 Fees and User Regulations.**

- (a) **Fee Schedule.** It shall be unlawful for any person to use any Town of Big Bend park facility, shelter, land, or recreational area for which a fee or charge has been approved by the Board without payment of such fee or charge.
- (b) **Additional Rules.** Rules and regulations may be made from time to time by the Town Board governing the further use of and enjoyment of Town parks, parkways, playgrounds, beaches, boat landings, campgrounds, lakes, streams, and the facilities thereof. Any person who shall violate such rules or regulations may be excluded from the use of such facility.
- (c) **Permits.** Any person to whom a permit shall have been issued by the Town Board or agent thereof shall be bound by the provisions of all ordinances and rules of the Town of Big Bend as fully as though the laws were inserted in each permit.

## Sec. 12-1-4 Towns of Rusk and Big Bend Joint Boating Ordinance.

(a) **Applicability and Enforcement.**

- (1) The provisions of this Section shall apply to the waters of the Island Lake Chain.
- (2) This Chapter shall be enforced by the officers of the water safety patrol of Rusk County.

(b) **Intent.** The intent of this Section is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interests, and the capability of the water resources.

(c) **State Boating and Safety Laws Adopted.** State boating laws as found in Sec. 30.50 through 30.71, Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference.

(d) **No Wake Areas.**

- (1) No person shall operate a boat in the following area at a speed faster than "Slow-No Wake", as defined in Sec. 30.50(12), Wis. Stats., as "that speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steering control". Said "No Wake" areas are:

- a. In the Town of Rusk in the channel between Clear Lake and Chain Lake located in the SE 1/4, NE 1/4, T33N, R9W, Section 36.
- b. In the Town of Big Bend in the channel between McCann Lake and Chain Lake in the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4, T33N, R8W, Section 31.
- c. In the Town of Big Bend in the channel between McCann Lake and Island Lake in the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 30, the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 29, and the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 29.

- (2) This area will be indicated by buoys placed at each end of the restricted area.

(e) **Markers and Navigational Aids.** The Townships of Big Bend and Rusk shall authorize the placement of suitable markers and signs in such waters as shall be appropriate to advise the public of the provisions of this Chapter, and shall authorize the posting of a copy of this Section at all public access points within the jurisdiction of the townships.

(f) **Penalties.** Wisconsin state boating penalties as found in Sec. 30.80, Wis. Stats, are adopted by reference.

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