

POCOMOKE CITY, MARYLAND

SKATE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

ADOPTED APRIL 21, 2008

A. Hours of Operation (Subject to Change)

Summer Vacation: (approx. 6/15 - 9/1) Open from 10:00 a.m. until ½ hour before sunset

Spring and Fall Hours: School holidays and weekends: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
After school 3:00 p.m. to ½ hour before sunset

Winter Hours: (weather permitting) Weekends and School holidays only
(12 noon - 4:00 p.m.)

B. Warning Statement

Skateboarding, in-line skating, BMX bike riding, and similar activities are dangerous, and may cause injuries or death. This is an unsupervised facility. Use at your own risk.

C. Vehicles Prohibited

It shall be unlawful for any person to use any tricycle, unicycle, scooter, motorized bicycle, motorized unicycle, motorized tricycle, motorized skateboard, motorized scooter or any similar vehicle within the confines of the skating area of the skate park.

D. Vehicles Allowed

All vehicles classified as skateboards, BMX-type bikes, roller blades/in-line skates, and skates that are propelled by human power are allowable for usage in the skate park.

E. Skate Park Rules and Regulations

It shall be unlawful for any person to violate the following rules and regulations and such persons shall be subject to expulsion from the park and or criminal prosecution pursuant to the Pocomoke City Municipal Code or the State of Maryland Penal Code:

1. Skaters under ten (10) years of age shall be accompanied by an adult at least eighteen (18) years of age. Skaters under 8 years old are prohibited. Adults not skating must remain outside of fenced area.
2. **All skaters shall wear a strapped helmet, knee pads, and elbow pads at all times when skating.** All safety equipment shall be in good repair and fit the skater properly. Use of non-fitting, worn out or unsafe equipment will disqualify the person from skating. Pads are optional for skaters 18 and over.
3. All skateboards, in-line skates and skates must be in good working order and safe for operation. Use of unsafe equipment will disqualify the person from skating.
4. Graffiti, damage and defacing City property is prohibited. Such activity may result in park closure, expulsion for the facility of the offender(s) and prosecution of those responsible.
5. Use of amplified music is prohibited unless by permit issued by the Police Department.
6. Use of profanity and or gestures or verbiage that would elicit a violent response is prohibited.
7. Food and drink are prohibited on the skating surface.
8. Glass containers are also prohibited in the skate park facility.
9. Smoking, drugs, gum, and alcoholic beverages are prohibited anywhere at the skate park.
10. No additional skating obstacles, backpacks, or other materials may be brought into the skate park.
11. All skaters must wear shirts and shoes while on the skate park property.
12. Organized events must be approved via use permit issued by the City.
13. Any activity that constitutes dangerous or reckless behavior that has the potential of injuring another skater is prohibited.
14. Animals are prohibited inside the skate park facility.

15. BMX bikes are allowed during designated bike sessions only; No pegs allowed on bikes.
16. Pocomoke City reserves the right to close the skate park due to inclement weather, wet surfaces or any other unsafe condition, and to limit the number of participants in the skate area at any time. Skating when park equipment is wet or when raining is prohibited.
17. Skateboarding is not allowed in any other area of Cypress Park.
18. Anyone caught in the skate park after hours, or anyone failing to abide by these rules and regulations will be subject to trespass infractions and suspension of park privileges.
19. All participants must register and fill out required paperwork.
20. Both parents and legal guardians must sign waiver form. After approval an I.D. Card will be issued to the participant. The I.D. Card must be carried with the participant at all times. Stickers for helmets may also be issued.
21. No competitive or demonstration events are allowed without prior approval from the City in writing.
22. Participants should report any unsafe behavior or equipment problems immediately.
23. Only one person is allowed on the half pipes or other ramps at any time. Wait your turn, and respect others. Skate in a manner to avoid collisions with other riders.
24. Use of bikes will be limited to certain designated days and times to be posted at the skate park.
25. Skate park may be closed for certain events to be held in the park, or for any other reason, at the discretion of the City.

F. Participation Fees

Category 1: Pocomoke City residents: No fee. Each participant must re-register each year before expiration of annual pass. Applicants must show proof of residency.

Category 2: Non-Pocomoke City residents are required to pay an administrative fee of \$25.00 per year.

G. Registration and I.D. Card Required

Register in person at City Hall, 101 Clarke Avenue, from 9AM - 5 PM Mon-Fri; or, register by mail to City Hall, P.O. Box 29, Pocomoke City, MD 21851. No faxes or e-mails will be accepted - Original forms with signatures only. Questions: 410.957.1333

See attached registration/waiver form.

H. Participants agree and authorize the City to use any video, photos or other images of participants for promotional purposes or for criminal prosecutions, as may be necessary. Skate park area is under video surveillance at all times.

Applicant/Participant Signature

Date