



REGULATION OF PUBLIC USE OF PARKS

BYLAW 5001-2008

THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN REPRODUCED FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY and is a consolidation of "District of Mission Regulation of Public Use of Parks Bylaw 5001-2008" with the following amending bylaws:

Amending Bylaw	Date Adopted	Section Amended
5068-2009-5001(1)	June 21, 2010	Sections 5, 6, and 9

Individual copies of any of the above bylaws are available from the Corporate Administration Department of the District of Mission. For legal purposes, copies of the original bylaws should be obtained.

**DISTRICT OF MISSION
BYLAW NO. 5001-2008**

A Bylaw to Regulate the Public Use of Parks

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 8.3 of the *Community Charter*, a council may regulate, prohibit and impose requirements in relation to public places;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the District of Mission deems it advisable and in the public interest to adopt a new bylaw to regulate the public use of parks in Mission;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the District of Mission, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This Bylaw may cited as "District of Mission – Regulation of Public Use of Parks Bylaw 5001-2008".
2. Hours of public use – all parks in the District of Mission will be:
 - a. Open from dawn until dusk, and closed from dusk until dawn, from May 1 through September 30.
 - b. Open from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., and closed from 9:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m., from October 1 through April 30.
3. Any person present in a park during the hours it is closed who is contravening the prohibited activities in section 4 of this Bylaw is in contravention of this Bylaw, unless a special use permit has been issued to a person or group by the director of parks, recreation and culture of the District of Mission, or his appointee, approving the use of the park for a specific purpose and time.
4. The following activities are prohibited in all parks, at all times:
 - a. the possession or use of any type of firearms;
 - b. the possession or use of bows and arrows;
 - c. the possession or use of any other weapons including, but not limited to, knives, bear spray or other animal repellents, or other similar weapons;
 - d. the possession or use of any type of fireworks or explosives;
 - e. use of loud and / or vulgar language;
 - f. cutting down trees
 - g. the erection or use of tents of any kind;
 - h. the lighting of campfires;
 - i. the dumping of refuse;
 - j. buying, selling or consuming alcohol or any controlled substances;
 - k. the keeping of any domesticated animals;
 - l. golf.
5. No person shall:
 - a. permit any dog to run at large in any park;

- b. drive or permit any private motorized vehicle to enter into or upon any park;
 - c. pick, cut down, dig or pull up, or knowingly injure or destroy in whole or in part any flower, plant, shrub or tree in any park;
 - d. destroy, damage, move or deface any bench, table, playground equipment, refuse container or any other public property situated in any park;
 - e. throw, deposit, drop or leave in any park any glass, plastic, bottle, can, container, paper, food, garbage or litter, except in containers provided for that purpose.
6. Section 5(b) does not apply to any vehicle operated by the municipality for the purpose of maintaining or patrolling any park.
7. Every person who violates any of the provisions of this Bylaw, or who suffers or permits any act or thing to be done in contravention of any provision of this Bylaw, or who neglects to do or refrains from doing anything required to be done by any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence, and, each day that violation is caused or allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offence.
8. Every person who commits an offence under this Bylaw shall be liable on summary conviction to the penalty prescribed in the *Offence Act*.
9. District of Mission Park Regulations Bylaw No. 217-1972 is hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST TIME this 8th day of December, 2008

READ A SECOND TIME this 8th day of December, 2008

READ A THIRD TIME this 8th day of December, 2008

ADOPTED this 15th day of December, 2008

(original signed by J. Atebe)
JAMES ATEBE, MAYOR

(original signed by K. Ridley)
KELLY RIDLEY, DEPUTY DIRECTOR
OF CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION