SEC. 63.44. REGULATIONS AFFECTING PARK AND RECREATION AREAS.
(Added by Ord. No. 153,027, Eff. 11/16/79.)

A. Definitions: As used in this section:

“Beach” shall include public seashore and shoreline areas bordering the Pacific Ocean that are owned, managed or controlled by the City. (Added by Ord. No. 163,039, Eff. 1/17/88.)

“Park” shall include every public park, roadside rest area, playground, zoological garden, ocean, beach or other recreational facility area, together with any parking lot, reservoir pier, swimming pool, golf course, court, field, bridle path, trail, or other recreational facility, or structure thereon, in the City of Los Angeles and under the control, operation or management of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners, the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation, the Los Angeles County Department of Beaches, or the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission. “Park” does not include any State Historic Park located within the City of Los Angeles.

“Board” shall mean the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners.

B. Within the limits of any park or other City-owned Harbor Department designated and controlled property within the City of Los Angeles: (Amended by Ord. No. 174,737, Eff. 9/9/02.)

1. No person under the age of 18 years shall cause, permit or allow any ungelded equine animal to be present in said park.

2. (Amended by Ord. No. 160,401, Eff. 11/1/85.) No person shall cause, permit or allow any animal owned or possessed by him or any animal in his care, custody or control to be present in said park except:

   (a) Equine animals being led or ridden under reasonable control upon bridle paths or trails provided for such purposes; or
   
   (b) Equine or other animals which are hitched or fastened at a place expressly designated for such purposes; or
   
   (c) Dogs which have been specially trained and are being used by blind or otherwise disabled persons to aid and guide them in their movements. (Amended by Ord. No. 172,088, Eff. 7/30/98.)
   
   (d) (Amended by Ord. No. 180,332, Eff. 12/16/08.) Licensed dogs or cats when led by a leash not more than six (6) feet long, or when confined within the interior of a vehicle, or licensed dogs under the control of a competent person in designated dog exercise and training areas at:

      (i) City parks or portions of City parks approved and designated as dog exercise and training areas by the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners and approved by the City Council by ordinance;
      
      (ii) Laurel Canyon Park from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. until park closing every day of the week;
      
      (iii) Silver Lake Recreation Center, provided, however, that no dogs, whether or not led by a leash, shall be permitted or allowed in any part of the Silver Lake Recreation Center other than the fenced area designated as a dog exercise and training area, except as permitted or allowed by Paragraph (c) hereof;
      
      (iv) A portion of the Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area consisting of approximately 10 acres and located on Victory Boulevard near White Oak Avenue, which shall be open at sunrise and closed at sunset every day of the week;
(v) A portion of Runyon Canyon Park consisting of approximately 90 acres located within the area 825 feet north of the Fuller Street entrance, 450 feet east of the Vista Street entrance and 1,850 feet south of the Mulholland Drive entrance. The boundaries of the off-leash dog exercise area described in this subparagraph shall be appropriately designated within the park. A separate portion of Runyon Canyon Park consisting of approximately 21,000 square feet located between the Fuller Street and Vista Street entrances and enclosed by a fence shall be designated a “no dogs or cats allowed” area and no dogs or cats shall be permitted or allowed inside the designated fenced area whether on or off leash;

(vi) A portion of Barrington Park consisting of 1.4 acres as designated on the site plan contained in Council File No. 02-0094 which shall be appropriately designated within the park and enclosed by fencing as indicated on the site plan. No dogs, whether on or off leash, shall be permitted or allowed in any area of Barrington Park other than the fenced area designated as an off-leash dog exercise area, except as provided by Paragraph (c) hereof;

(vii) An enclosed portion of Knoll Hill consisting of approximately three acres as designated on Knoll Hill by the Harbor Department;

(viii) An enclosed area consisting of approximately .84 acres, bounded by the Westminster Senior Center parking lot on the west, Main Street on the east, Westminster Avenue on the south and Clubhouse Avenue on the north, which shall be opened at sunrise and closed at sunset every day of the week;

(ix) A designated fenced area consisting of approximately .86 acres in Hermon Park;

(x) A designated area consisting of approximately 1.6 acres at Griffith Park and located at the north end of the John Ferraro Soccer Field on North Zoo Drive;

(xi) A designated area consisting of approximately 3 acres at Whitnall Park on Whitnall Highway in North Hollywood, including a 50,000 square foot area for large dogs and a 22,500 square foot area for small dogs.

The exception to Subdivision 2. contained in this Paragraph as it pertains to dogs shall not apply upon any boardwalk, sidewalk or public way immediately adjacent to any beach lands or beach properties adjoining the waterfront of the Pacific Ocean between the southerly boundary of the City of Santa Monica and Washington Street in the City of Los Angeles, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on weekends and holidays from Memorial Day through October 31, and no dogs shall be permitted within the area during those times and days.

3. [Suspended until further action by Ord. No. 176,929, Eff. 10/1/05.] No person shall rent or offer for rent, or sell or offer for sale any commercial merchandise, or any article or thing of any kind or nature whatsoever; or practice, carry on, conduct or solicit any trade, occupation, business, or profession, except by contract with the Board, Department, Commission or their authorized representatives. Nothing in this subdivision, however, shall prohibit the sale or offering for sale of newspapers, periodicals, books, pamphlets and other forms of communication except that said sale of offering for sale is prohibited in museums, in those portions of a park to which access is restricted by the payment of an admission fee or in those facilities which are operated under contract with the Board, Department or Commission. (Amended by Ord. No. 159,064, Eff. 7/16/84.)

4. No person shall play or utilize any sound amplifying system except within or upon an area or facility set aside for such purpose by the Board, Department or Commission. For the purposes of this and the next subdivision, “sound amplifying system” shall mean and include any system of electrical hookup or connection, loud speaker system or equipment, sound amplifying system, and any apparatus, equipment, device, instrument, or machine designed for or intended to be used for the purpose of amplifying the sound or increasing the volume of the human voice, musical tone, vibration or sound wave. This subdivision shall not apply to the regular and customary use of portable radios, televisions, record players or tape recorders played or operated in
such places and at such times so as not to disturb other persons in their permitted uses of the park.

5. No person shall hold or conduct any musical event or concert in which any sound amplifying system is utilized without first obtaining a written permit to do so from the Board, Department or Commission. The application for such musical event permit shall state:

The name of the person or persons applying for the permit; the particular park and location therein at which the musical event is proposed to take place; the date and time of the event; the number of persons who will perform at such musical event; and the size of the expected audience. A written permit for the musical event shall be issued upon reasonable terms and conditions except when:

(a) The location requested has been previously reserved for the same date and time by another person or organization for a particular activity; or

(b) The size of the audience reasonably expected to attend the musical event will exceed the capacity of the location requested.

6. No person shall play any musical instrument between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. within seven hundred and fifty (750) feet of any structure used for dwelling purposes, except within or upon an area or facility set aside for this purpose by the Board or Department. For purposes of this subdivision, the term “musical instrument” includes but is not limited to drums and other percussion devices.

7. [Suspended until further action by Ord. No. 176,929, Eff. 10/1/05.] No person shall use any area or facility set aside, used, maintained or designated for a specific recreational or park purpose by the Board, Department, Commission or Department of Beaches, which purpose is reasonably apparent from the appearance, construction or designation of such facility or area, or as to which reasonable notice of such designation or purpose is given by signs posted thereon, for a purpose contrary to or inconsistent with such specific or designated purpose.

8. No person shall land, release, take off or fly any balloon, except children toy balloons not inflated with any flammable material, helicopter, parakite, hang glider, aircraft or powered models thereof, except in areas specifically set aside therefor.

9. No person shall engage in any voluntary parachute jump.

10. No person shall use any bow or crossbow, or throw or release any arrows, except as specifically permitted in designated archery areas.

11. No person shall take, seize or hunt any bird, animal or fish except that lost or escaped dogs, cats or horses may be searched for.

12. No person shall remove any wood, tree, shrub, plant, turf, grass, soil, rock, sand or gravel.

13. No person, without permission from the Board or the Department of Recreation and Parks, shall cut, break, injure, tamper with, deface or disturb any tree, shrub, plant, rock, building, cage, pen, monument, fence, bench, structure, apparatus, equipment or property; or mark, paint, post or write upon any building, monument, fence, bench or other structure. (Amended by Ord. No. 168,219, Eff. 10/4/92.)


(a) No person shall enter, remain, stay or loiter in any park between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. of the following day. On any public park or recreational facility subject to this section, the supervising employee at such site may extend the 10:30 p.m. closing time for up to one and one-half hours to accommodate any departmentally approved event, except for Griffith Park, for which the supervising employee at such site may extend the 10:30 p.m. closing time for up to only one hour to accommodate any departmentally approved event. (Amended by Ord. No. 180,461, Eff. 2/8/09.)

(b) No person shall enter, remain, stay or loiter in any park which consists of an ocean area, beach, or
pier between the hours of 12:00 midnight’ and 5:00 o’clock a.m. of the following day; except that no person shall remain, stay or loiter on Royal Palms Beach between the hours of 8:00 o’clock p.m. and 5:00 o’clock a.m. of the following day. On any park which consists of an ocean area, beach, or pier subject to this Section, the supervising employee at such site may extend the 12:00 midnight closing time, or in the case of Royal Palms Beach the 8:00 o’clock p.m. closing time, to accommodate special events such as grunion runs and other events approved by the Department of Recreation and Parks or the Los Angeles County Department of Beaches, as applicable.

(c) The closing and opening hours for each of the following parks or facilities shall be as follows: *(Amended by Ord. No. 181,753, Eff. 8/2/11.)*

Bellevue Recreation Center - closed at 10:00 p.m., open at 5:00 a.m.

Cabrillo Beach pay Parking Lot (Port parking section) - closed at 10:30 p.m., open at 3:00 a.m.

Elysian Park - closed at 9:00 p.m. (except for two parking lots adjacent to it, which shall close at 10:30 p.m.), open at 5:00 a.m.

Stoner Skate Plaza - closed at 7:00 p.m., open at 10:00 a.m. Monday through Sunday during Daylight-Savings Time, and closed at 5:00 p.m., open at 10:00 a.m. Monday through Sunday during Non-Daylight Savings Time.

Closed one hour after Sunset, open one hour before Sunrise:
- Dearborn Park
- Ernest E. Debs Regional Park (except to open no earlier than 5:30 a.m.)
- Hansen Dam Recreation Center
- Runyon Canyon Park
- Telfair Park

Closed at Sunset, open at Sunrise:
- Abbott Kenney Park
- Bell Canyon Park
- Carey Ranch Park
- Chase Street Park
- Deervale Park
- Del Rey Lagoon
- El Escorpian Canyon Park
- Erwin Street Park
- Hansen Dam Recreational Lake
- Harold Henry Park
- Jesse Owens Park
- Kagel Canyon Park
- Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park (except the northern end of the park, as designated by appropriate signage, which shall close at 4:00 p.m. and open at 10:00 a.m.)
- Knapp Ranch Park Annex
- Liemert Plaza
- Linnie Canal Park
- Orcas Park
- Orcutt Ranch
- Pacific Palisades Park: (portions near Via De Las Olas and near Mount Holyoak, as designated by appropriate signage)
- Porter Ranch Subparks: (Palisades Bridle Trails, Wilbur-Tampa, Eddleston, Limekiln Canyon, Porter Ridge, and Viking)
- Richardson Family Park
- Robert Burns Park
- San Pascual Park
Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area Facilities: (Woodley Flight Field, Sepulveda Wildlife Reserve, the North Parking Lot of Balboa Park, Lake Balboa Park, Off-Leash Dog Exercise Area)
South Weddington Park
Stoney Point Park
Valley Plaza Park: (Laurel Grove and Whitsett Sections)
Villa Cabrini Park
Yucca Mini Park

15. No person shall ride or pull any horsedrawn vehicle on bridle trails or other areas except as specifically provided for such purposes by the Board.

16. No person shall drive or ride any cycle or vehicle, whether powered by a motor or human power, except on paths, roads or drives designed and provided for such purposes.

17. No person shall make or kindle a fire or cook food, except on a stove or masonry or concrete hearth or fire circle provided for such purpose, or on a portable stove or hearth of an approved type and in areas specifically posted for such use.

18. No person shall erect any barrier or lay, string or join any wires, ropes, chains or place any obstruction on or across any path, trail or area where the public may be expect to make contact with such barrier, wire, rope or chain.

19. No person shall throw, discard or deposit any paper, rubbish, debris, ashes, dirt, bottles, cans, trash or litter of any kind or nature whatsoever, except in receptacles specifically provided therefor.

20. No person shall appear, bathe, sunbathe, walk or be in any public park, playground, beach or the waters adjacent thereto, in such a manner that the genitals, vulva, pubis, pubic symphysis, pubic hair, buttock, natal cleft, perineum, anus, anal region, or pubic hair region of any such person, or any portion of the breast at or below the upper edge of the areola thereof of any such female person, is exposed to public view or is not covered by an opaque covering.

(a) This subdivision shall not apply to children under the age of 10 years.

(b) This subdivision shall not apply to live theatrical performances performed in a theater, concert hall, or other similar establishment located on public land.

21. No person shall carry or discharge any firearms, firecrackers, fireworks, rockets, model rockets, torpedoes, airgun or slingshot.

22. [Suspended until further action by Ord. No. 176,929, Eff. 10/1/05.] No person shall assemble, collect or gather together in any walk, driveway, passageway or pathway in any park or in other places set apart for the travel of persons or vehicles in or through any park or occupy the same so that the free passage or use thereof by persons or vehicles passing along the same shall be obstructed in any manner.

23. [Suspended until further action by Ord. No. 176,929, Eff. 10/1/05.] No person, without permission from the Board or the Department of Recreation and Parks, shall distribute, display, circulate, post, place or erect any bills, notice, paper, or advertising device or matter of a commercial nature. (First para. Amended by Ord. No. 168,219, Eff. 10/4/92.)

(a) Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit sport organizations qualified as nonprofit organizations under State and federal tax laws pursuant to written permit from the Board, from posting and maintaining signs at sport fields where such organizations conduct a sport recreation program or programs acknowledging the sponsorship of such organizations by firms, businesses, or individuals; provided that as to any location where the Board authorizes such signs to be posted the following conditions are met:

(1) The sole or primary purpose of the nonprofit sport organization is to conduct a sport
recreation program or programs at the sport field involved.

(2) The nonprofit sport organization is required to maintain the sport field involved at its own cost and expense.

(3) Such signs are posted only during the playing season for that particular sport each year and only for the shorter of either the duration of the season or the period of time that the non-profit sport organization operates that season’s program at that facility, and not at any other time.

(4) The proceeds derived from the sponsorships acknowledged by such signs are expended solely for the maintenance of the sport field involved; except that any surplus after meeting such expenses may be expended to meet the expenses incurred by the non-profit organization in conducting the recreation program or programs at that facility.

(5) The signs are placed only on the perimeter fence of the field, are one-sided, facing the spectator area of the field, and are of a size, number and design as specified by the Board.

(6) Each such sign identifies the sponsor as well as the non-profit organization and contains a statement declaring such sponsorship or support.

(b) Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit the County of Los Angeles from conducting a Marketing Program on those beaches which are the subject of that certain “Joint Powers Agreement Between the City of Los Angeles and the County of Los Angeles Providing for Lifeguard and Maintenance Services to be Rendered by the County on Beaches Located Within the City” dated May 20, 1975, as amended. The term “Marketing Program” is defined to mean a program whereby the County grants third parties limited advertising rights on the beaches, such as the right to display name or product identification on lifeguard towers, trucks, uniforms, rescue boats, lifeguard equipment, public restrooms, fences, concession buildings, parking lot receipts and other beach facilities, in exchange for financial support in the form of money, equipment or services to be used in performing the obligations assumed by the County in the Agreement. Provided, however, that any such name and product identification shall not directly solicit the sale, use or consumption of any product; that the County shall not permit name and product identification of alcoholic beverage or tobacco products; and that the County shall not display the name of any marketing program sponsor or donor, or of their products on the beaches in any manner other than as is described in this subsection without the prior written approval from the Board. Additionally, such Marketing Program shall be subject to all of the restrictions set forth in Section 2.116.210 of the Administrative Code of the County of Los Angeles, which is incorporated herein by reference as amended from time-to-time.

24. (Added by Ord. No. 179,058, Eff. 9/18/07.) No person, except as provided here, shall light, ignite, or otherwise set fire to, or smoke, carry, throw or discard any lighted tobacco products, including cigarettes, cigars or smoking tobacco. For purposes of this subdivision, “smoke” and “smoking” shall include the carrying or holding of a lighted pipe, cigar or cigarette of any kind, or any other lighted smoking equipment or the emitting or exhaling the smoke of a pipe, cigar, cigarette or any other smoking equipment. No person shall discard, dispose of, or deposit any tobacco product, including cigarette and cigar butts and ashes, except in approved containers specifically placed and designated for receipt of trash, refuse, rubbish, litter or other kind of waste materials. The Department shall post and maintain “No Smoking” signs in conspicuous locations. All these signs shall clearly and conspicuously recite the phrase “NO SMOKING” and/or use the international no-smoking symbol and shall cite this subdivision of Section 63.44 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. A violation of this subdivision shall be punishable as an infraction.

Smoking is permitted in the following areas:

(1) City golf courses, except for the following courses where smoking is only allowed in designated areas and not in all areas of the course:

(a) Roosevelt Golf Course
(b) Wilson Golf Course

(c) Harding Golf Course

(d) Tregnan Golf Academy

(2) Those areas within parks that are specified in a permit issued by the Recreation and Parks Film Office authorizing smoking for filming purposes only and by actors only; and

(3) Designated smoking areas at the Autry National Center, the Greek Theater, and the Los Angeles Zoo.

C. The Board is hereby authorized to designate particular park roads for commercial trucks and vehicles for park purposes only. No such truck or vehicle carrying any article for trade or commerce shall drive upon any park road except as may be specifically provided or designated for such use. The 1.5 mile walkway surrounding Lake Balboa in Lake Balboa Park shall be designated as a “pedestrian walk only.” No person shall roller blade, roller skate, skate board, or ride or drive any bicycle, scooter or similar vehicle upon the designated walkway. (Amended by Ord. No. 169,113, Eff. 12/4/93.)

D. Within the limits of any park other than beaches, no person shall:

1. Swim, bathe, wade in or pollute the water of any park, fountain pond, lake or stream, except as permitted by the Board or its authorized representative.

2. Enter any municipal swimming pool or dressing room therein at any time when a life guard or dressing room attendant is not present.

3. Roller skate, board skate, or ride or drive any bicycle, scooter, or similar vehicle on the decks surrounding a swimming pool or on tennis courts.

4. Camp or lodge, except in locations designated for such purposes.

5. Operate a boat on any pond, lake or waters therein, except as permitted by the Board or its authorized representative.

E. No parent, guardian, or person having the custody of any child under the age of eight (8) years shall cause, permit or allow such child to enter or visit any park, other than beaches, having a lake, pond, stream or swimming pool within its boundaries, unless such child is accompanied by a person of not less than sixteen (16) years of age.

F. No person over eight (8) years of age shall enter or use any restroom in a park designated for persons of the other sex.

G. Every person shall comply with rules promulgated by the Board for the use of golf courses, tennis courts, and dog parks, which rules shall be conspicuously posted at each golf course, tennis court, and dog park. (Amended by Ord. No. 180,332, Eff. 12/16/08.)

H. In parks consisting of beaches and water recreation areas, the Board or the Director of Beaches is hereby empowered and authorized to establish in and upon the beaches and water recreation areas water activity zones restricted as to the following uses:

1. **Bathing and Swimming Zones** – No person shall use, possess or operate in the waters of the Pacific Ocean opposite any beach regulated by this section any object commonly known as a surfboard, paddleboard or similar device (but not including surfmats which are made of a nonrigid material with a non-slippery surface, so constructed that when inflated for use it will not fold in any direction between twenty-four (24) and thirty (30) inches in width and forty (40) to sixty (60) inches in length, and equipped with a safety rope, and belly boards)
at such times and in such zone when said waters are restricted for swimming and bathing only.

Such restrictions shall be effective when a yellow flag having dimensions of not less than two feet by two feet and having a solid black circle in the center (commonly known as a “blackball flag”) is prominently displayed from a lifeguard tower, lifeguard station, pier or similar structure under the control of the Department of Beaches.

At such times as the blackball flag is displayed, swimming and bathing only shall be permitted in the waters of the Pacific Ocean opposite those areas of the beach within 200 yards of the point of display of said blackball flag, provided, however, that where said blackball flag is displayed from consecutive operational lifeguard towers, lifeguard stations and similar structures under the control of the Department of Beaches along a beach regulated by this article then all waters of the Pacific Ocean opposite said beach shall be restricted to swimming and bathing only.

Such restrictions shall also be indicated by pairs of red flags put in place by the Director of Beaches or his authorized employee. At such times as said red flags are displayed, swimming and bathing only shall be permitted in the waters of the Pacific Ocean opposite those areas of the beach lying between a given pair of such red flags.

2. **Surfboards Zone** – Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Director of Beaches may from time to time designate certain areas to be used exclusively by persons using surfboards and paddleboards. Such designation may be revoked at any time and the area covered by any such designation may be enlarged or reduced at any time. A person shall not swim or bathe in the waters of the Pacific Ocean included in an area so designated except while using a surfboard or paddleboard or as is necessary in order to use a surfboard or paddleboard.

I. **Within the limits of parks consisting of beaches and water recreation areas:**

   1. No person shall surf by board or engage in bathing or swimming activities in any area posted as closed.
   
   2. No person shall bathe, swim, surf by board or operate any boat or other device in, or upon, water in violation of any authorized warning signal or device. Any person in violation of any warning signal or device in violation of any Bathing and Swimming Zone or Surfboard Zone restriction shall not fail, refuse or neglect to leave the waters of the Pacific Ocean opposite any beach regulated by this section.
   
   3. No person shall engage in the sport commonly known as aquaplaning, water skiing, or any derivation thereof unless such activities are permitted by conspicuously posted signs at appropriate places upon the beach and lands abutting and adjacent thereto.
   
   4. No person shall use any spear gun on any beach or in any waters within one thousand (1,000) feet of shore unless otherwise specifically permitted in posted areas.
   
   5. No person shall operate a boat within one hundred (100) feet of any bather or swimmer, or within two hundred (200) feet of a beach used by bathers or swimmers.
   
   6. No person shall beach or launch any boat, except at a place designated for such purposes. The Board or the Director of Beaches may designate any beach area or portions thereof as an area which may be used for the purpose of beaching or launching boats.
   
   7. No person shall use, possess or operate any object commonly known as a surfmat, paddleboard, bellyboard, surfboard, or similar device except within 200 yards from shore or 75 yards seaward of the point at which the average wave breaking, whichever distance is greater, or when used by a skin diver to hold his or her flag.
   
   8. No person shall bring or permit or allow in the waters of the Pacific Ocean opposite any beach regulated by this section any object commonly known as, or used as, a paddleboard or surfboard, within 100 feet of any person in the waters thereof who was not at the time using or possessing a similar object.
9. **(Amended by Ord. No. 163,039, Eff. 1/17/88.)** No person shall erect, maintain, use, or occupy on any beach, any tent, lodge, shelter, or structure that has more than two sides closed. Any such tent, lodge, shelter or structure shall otherwise be entirely open and there shall be an unobstructed view into such tent, lodge, shelter or structure from the outside except for the two closed sides. If the tent, lodge, shelter or structure is other than rectangular in shape, no more than one-third of the outside thereof shall be closed and there shall otherwise be an unobstructed view into it. Any tent, lodge, shelter or structure erected, maintained, used or occupied on a beach shall consist of pliable, tent-like materials such as canvas, nylon or pliable synthetic material.

   In no event shall any such tent, lodge, shelter or structure be erected or maintained closer than fifty (50) feet from any other tent, lodge, shelter or structure.

   Any such tent, lodge, shelter or structure shall be dismantled and removed from the beach each day and no part thereof shall remain overnight.

   No person shall fasten or maintain any guy wire, guy rope or exterior bracing or support of any tent, lodge, shelter or structure between it or any portion thereof, and any structure, stake, rock or thing outside of such tent, lodge, shelter or structure.

10. **(Added by Ord. No. 163,039, Eff. 1/17/88.)** No person shall enter, be, or remain on any beach area unless that person complies with all regulations applicable to that beach and with all other applicable ordinances, rules and regulations.

11. **(Added by Ord. No. 163,039, Eff. 1/17/88.)** A person exercising any of the privileges authorized by this section does so at that person’s own risk without liability on the part of the City for any injury to person or property resulting therefrom.

12. **(Added by Ord. No. 163,039, Eff. 1/17/88.)** Except as otherwise provided in this section or as authorized by the Board, no person shall camp on or use for overnight sleeping purposes any beach, or bring a house trailer, camper or similar vehicle onto any beach.

13. **(Repealed by Ord. No. 179,058, Eff. 9/18/07.)**

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**J. Within the limits of any park containing a fishing pier:**

1. No person shall operate any vehicle on a fishing pier, except as permitted by the Board or its authorized representative.

2. No person shall ride a bicycle, scooter, skate, skateboard, or other wheeled device on any pier. Subdivisions 1 and 2 of this subsection shall not apply to the use of wheelchairs by persons whose physical condition necessitates such use.

3. No person shall dive or jump, or cause another to fall, dive or jump from a pier, or climb or be on the outside of the railing of a pier except:

   (a) members of the lifeguard service of the Department of Beaches or any other person as may be delegated by the lifeguard service or any of its personnel to assist them in rescuing or saving lives;

   (b) members of the lifeguard service during the course of drills and training;

   (c) authorized persons involved in the maintenance, repair or construction of the pier or a part thereof; or

   (d) as a participant in an aquatic event or activity which is approved and authorized by the Director of Beaches.
4. No person shall swim, operate or otherwise use a surfboard, skindive or use self-contained under-water breathing apparatus within an area described as one hundred (100) feet of either side of the pier except for purposes otherwise authorized by this article.

5. No person shall climb or crawl on the pier railings, pilings or under structures.

6. No person shall do any overhead casting or allow any fishing lure or hook to pass inboard of the pier railing while casting.

7. No person shall clean any fish except at locations provided for that purpose.

8. No person shall use more than one pole or drop line at any one time.

9. No person shall fish or trap sea life for commercial purposes.

10. No person shall use any fishing spear or spear gun.

K. Within the limits of any parking lot located within the limits of any park:

1. No person shall drive a vehicle onto any public parking lot without paying the posted fee to the attendant on duty thereon or by paying the metered fee.

2. No person shall stand or park any vehicle on any metered or unmetered public parking lot between the hours of 10:30 o’clock p.m. and 5:00 o’clock a.m. of the following day or such other hours as the Council may establish for each public parking lot by ordinance, whether said vehicle is occupied or unoccupied. Provided, however, that within the limits of parks consisting of ocean areas, beaches or piers, no person shall stand or park any vehicle on any metered or un-metered public parking lot between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 5:00 o’clock a.m. of the following day or such other hours as the Council may establish for each such parking lot by ordinance.  (Amended by Ord. No. 164,209, Eff. 1/8/89.)

3. No person shall refuse to exhibit upon demand of any attendant the driver or operator’s portion of a parking ticket when the driver or operator of any vehicle that is standing, parked or being operated on any unmetered parking lot has been issued a numbered parking ticket.

4. No person shall remove the identifying portion of a parking ticket from any vehicle while on such parking lot.

5. No person shall drive a vehicle onto any public parking lot through a driveway posted with a sign stating “Do Not Enter”.

6. No person shall remove an automobile from public parking lot except through a gateway or driveway marked “Exit”.

7. No person shall park in a parking lot, except entirely within a space indicated by painted lines, said spaces being commonly referred to as a “parking slot” or “parking stall”.

8. No person shall park where there is posted a “No Parking” sign.

9. No person shall drive a truck of more than one (1) ton capacity on any public parking lot.

10. No person shall drive a motor vehicle upon any public parking lot at a speed greater than ten (10) miles per hour, unless otherwise posted.

11. No person shall drive a vehicle in excess of the posted speed limit.
12. No person shall teach another person to drive a motor vehicle or use such parking lot for driving practice.

13. The provisions of Subdivisions 2., 7., and 8. of Subsection K. shall be enforced by civil penalty in the same manner as the provisions of Section 80.76.2 of this Code. (Added by Ord. No. 168,782, Eff. 7/12/93.)

L. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 63.44 K.2., where a parking lot is located within any park, including those consisting of beach and water recreation areas, the Director of Beaches, or the Board in the event the City exercises management and control over such park, may post or cause to be posted a sign at the entrance to such parking lot indicating that the lot is closed to public parking at an hour earlier than 1:00 a.m. or later than 3:00 a.m. When such sign is posted, no person shall stand or park an occupied or unoccupied vehicle within the parking lot during the hours wherein parking is prohibited. Any vehicle parked in violation of the provisions of this subsection may be removed from such parking lot in accordance with the provisions of the Vehicle Code of the State of California. (Amended by Ord. No. 164,209, Eff. 1/8/89.)

M. Within the limit of any zoological garden located within a public park, no person other than authorized City employees shall:

1. Feed or throw food to any animal located therein, except in that area of the Children’s Zoo so designated, approved food may be fed to animals located therein.

2. Harass, tease or annoy any animal by means of gestures, movements, throwing of objects, shouting or by any other means.

3. Have within their possession any cans, bottles, skateboards, bats, balls, a knife with a blade longer than three (3) inches, or any other objects which are capable of being thrown at or otherwise used to harm any animal.

N. (New Subsec. N. Added by Ord. No. 173,878, Eff. 4/12/01.) Within the limit of any park or portion thereof designated by the Board as a skateboard facility, whether the facility is supervised or unsupervised:

1. No person shall ride a skateboard unless that person is wearing a helmet, elbow pads and knee pads.

2. No person shall ride a bicycle or scooter in the skating area.

3. The opening and closing hours of the park shall be 12:00 noon to sunset on Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to sunset on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays; however, skate parks shall also be closed during periods of wet weather or when conditions, such as wet weather, make it unsafe to skate.

4. The Board shall cause signs to be posted at all skateboard facilities providing reasonable notice that any person riding a skateboard at the facility must wear a helmet, elbow pads and knee pads while skateboarding; that no bicycles or scooters are allowed in the skating area; that the park hours are 12:00 noon to sunset Monday through Friday and 9:00 a.m. to sunset on Saturday, Sunday and holidays; that the park will be closed during periods of wet weather or when conditions make it unsafe to skate; and, that any person in violation of this ordinance will be subject to citation for violation thereof.

O. (New Subsec. O. Added by Ord. No. 173,922, Eff. 5/28/01.) Within the limit of any park consisting of beach lands or beach properties adjoining the waterfront of the Pacific Ocean between the southerly boundary of the City of Santa Monica and Washington Street in the City of Los Angeles:

1. No person shall operate a motorized scooter on any boardwalk, sidewalk, bike path or other public way. For the purpose of this subsection, the term “motorized scooter” shall mean any two-wheeled device that has handlebars, is designed to be stood or sat upon by the operator, and is powered by an electric motor that is capable of propelling the device with or without human propulsion, excluding motorcycles (as defined in Vehicle Code Section 400), motor-driven cycles (as defined in Vehicle Code Section 405), motorized bicycles or mopeds (as defined in Vehicle Code Section 406) and a toy (as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 108550). A device meeting the above definition that is powered by a source other than electrical power is also a
motorized scooter.

P. (New Subsec. P. Added by Ord. No. 179,129, Eff. 8/28/07.) Within the limit of any park designated by this subsection as being in a high fire hazard zone and between April 1 and November 1 of each year:

1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, no person shall light, ignite, set fire to, or burn any substance, or maintain an open flame of any kind for any purpose, including but not limited to cooking and barbecuing, except in areas specifically designated and posted to allow open flames.

2. The Department shall post and maintain “No Open Flame” signs in conspicuous locations. These signs shall clearly and conspicuously recite the phrase “NO OPEN FLAMES BETWEEN APRIL 1 AND NOVEMBER 1” and shall cite this subdivision of Section 63.44 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. The General Manager of the Department shall be authorized when fire hazardous conditions are present, to extend the period during which open flames are prohibited in parks designated by this subdivision; provided, if open flames are prohibited prior to April 1 or after November 1, the Department shall modify the signs required by this subdivision to provide notice of the dates that open flames are prohibited.

3. The following parks are located in a high fire hazard zone:

   Andres Pico Adobe Park
   Aliso Canyon Park
   Aliso Triangle
   Alizondo Drive Park
   Angels Gate Park
   Angels Point
   Ascot Hills Park
   Averill Park
   Bandini Canyon Park
   Barnsdall Art Park
   Bee Canyon
   Bell Canyon
   Bell Canyon Park
   Beverly Glen Park
   Bogdanovich Park
   Brand Park
   Briarwood Park
   Bronson Canyon
   Browns Creek Park
   Carey Ranch
   Carlin G. Smith
   Castle Peak Park
   Chase Park
   Chatsworth Oaks Park
   Chatsworth Park North
   Chatsworth Park South
   Cleland Avenue Bicentennial Park
   Coldwater Canyon Park
   Crestwood Hills Park
   De Neve Square Park
   Decker Canyon Camp
   Deervale-Stone Canyon Park
   Eddeleston Park
   El Escorpion Canyon
   El Sereno North Park
   El Sereno Park
   Elysian Park - All Areas
Rivas Canyon Park
Roger Jessup Park
Roosevelt Golf Course
Runyon Canyon
Rustic Canyon
San Vicente Mountain Park
Santa Ynez Canyon
Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area
Serrania Ave Park
Shadow Ranch Recreation Center
Stetson Ranch Equestrian Park
Stoney Point Park
Sullivan Canyon Park
Taxco Trails Park
Temescal Canyon Park
The Homestead Acre/
Tregnan Golf Academy
Vanalden Park
Verdugo Mountain Park
Via De Las Olas Park
Viking Park
Villa Cabrini Park
Warner Center Park
Wattles Garden Park
West Hills Park
White's Point Nature Preserve
Wilacre Park
Wilbur-Tampa Park
Wilder's Addition (Point Fermin Park)
Wilson/Harding Municipal Golf Course
Woodbine Park
Woodland Hills Park
Zelzah Park

Q. The provisions of this section shall not prevent nor be construed to limit or prohibit any duly authorized departmental officer, agent or employee, or any duly authorized peace officer, from performing any act within the scope of his official duties.  (Subsec. N. Redesignated Subsec. O. by Ord. No. 173,878, Eff. 4/12/01; Subsec. O. Redesignated Subsec. P. by Ord. No. 173,922, Eff. 5/28/01; Subsec. P. Redesignated Subsec. Q. by Ord. No. 179,129, Eff. 8/28/07.)