



Town of Westport Parks & Recreation

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING USE OF MUNICIPAL BEACHES, YACHT BASINS, LONGSHORE CLUB PARK PARK AREAS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

2010

PARKS AND RECREATION PROPERTY INCLUDES

Baron's South Property	Hillspoint Athletic Fields	Riverside Park
Burr Farms Athletic Fields	Hitchcock Park	Saugatuck Athletic Field
Burying Hill Beach	Jesup Green	St. John/Myrtle Ave. Park
Canal Beach	Levitt Pavilion	Sherwood Mill Pond Preserve
Canal Green	Library Riverwalk	Staples High School Athletic Fields
Coleytown Schools Athletic Field	Long Lots School Athletic Fields	Stroffolino Park
Compo Beach	Longshore Club Park	Town Farm
Doubleday Field Complex	Luciano Park	Town Farm Ball Complex
Eloise A. Ray Park	Machamux Park	Town Hall Athletic Fields
Evan Harding Point	Old Mill Beach	Veterans Green
Grace K. Salmon Park	Pasacreta Park	Wakeman Park
Greens Farms School Athletic Fields	Poses Property	Winslow Park

I. GENERAL RULES FOR PARKS AND RECREATION PROPERTY

THE FOLLOWING RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLY TO ALL TOWN PROPERTY UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AS LISTED ABOVE.

1. Written permission of the Parks and Recreation Department is required for events or gatherings involving any of the following:
 - Public invitation or advertising
 - Commercial catering services
 - Commercial rental of equipment (including tables, chairs, tent/canopy)
 - Amplified music or use of public address system
 - Sponsored by a commercial, business or non-profit organization
2. Any gathering without prior written permission of the Parks and Recreation Department may be required to discontinue use of the property by the Parks and Recreation Department Staff if the event is in conflict with any other use of the property.
3. Use of a Parks and Recreation Facility in a manner which interferes with the use of an individual or group having prior written approval by the Parks and Recreation Department is prohibited.
4. Littering is prohibited.
5. Solicitation or sale of goods or services (selling of items, handing out promotion materials, demonstration of products) for commercial reasons without the prior written permission of the Westport Parks and Recreation Department is prohibited.

GENERAL RULES FOR PARKS AND RECREATION PROPERTY – (continued)

6. The use of any motorized vehicle licensed or unlicensed (other than golf cars from the Longshore Golf Pro Shop) is prohibited except on designated roadways, parking areas or other areas as designated by Parks and Recreation Department.
7. Hunting, carrying of firearms or discharge of firearms is prohibited, at Longshore Club Park or the Municipal beaches of the Town of Westport. Any person using a vessel or enroute to a vessel on Town of Westport property shall have the authority to carry a firearm to the vessel for the purpose of hunting when licensed to do so.
8. Hitting of golf balls is prohibited except at designated areas of Longshore Club Park associated with the golf course and Hendrick's Point golf range or activities sponsored by Parks and Recreation or Board of Education.
9. Feeding of waterfowl is prohibited.
10. Pitching of camping tents or overnight camping is prohibited without the prior written permission of the Parks and Recreation Department.
11. Erecting a tent or canopy 10' x 10' or larger is prohibited without prior written permission of the Parks and Recreation Department.
12. Tents or Canopies are limited to one(1) per event unless prior written permission is given by the Parks and Recreation Department.
13. The use of barbecue grills shall be permitted in designated areas only, and shall be properly extinguished before departure. The building of bonfires or campfires is prohibited except in conjunction with Parks and Recreation Department sanctioned events.
14. No person shall wear or display any emblem or badge bearing the words "WESTPORT PARKS AND RECREATION GUEST SERVICES" or words or familiar import, or bearing words or symbols similar to those utilized by lifeguards or other Parks and Recreation employees in their official capacity without prior written authorization of the Westport Parks and Recreation Department.
15. Any provisions of these regulations may be waived by the Westport Parks and Recreation Commission under such terms and conditions as may be imposed by the Commission. The Commission may delegate decision making authority to the Parks and Recreation Director.
16. The Parks and Recreation Department and/or its agents may suspend privileges for unacceptable behavior as described in "Policies and Procedures Pertaining to Parks and Recreation Facilities", which are hereby incorporated into these regulations by reference.
17. Failure to leave a Parks and Recreation facility or discontinue the use of a Parks and Recreation facility when ordered to do so by a Parks and Recreation official or Police Officer is prohibited.
18. A permit is required for use of facilities for the purpose of commercial still, video, or motion picture photography.

GENERAL RULES FOR PARKS AND RECREATION PROPERTY – (continued)

19. **HOURS OF OPERATION**

All Parks and Recreation facilities are open Sunrise to Sunset except as noted below:

- a. Compo Beach – 4a.m. to 10p.m.
All cars must vacate by midnight
Compo Beach playground opens at sunrise and closes at sunset.
- b. Burying Hill Beach – 5am to 10pm
- c. Longshore Club Park – Open 24 hrs. a day except as otherwise posted.
 - Hendrick's Point golf range opens at 7:00 A.M., closes at sunset, Monday through Thursday.
 - Hendrick's Point golf range opens at 7:00 A.M., closes at 5:00 P.M., Friday through Sunday.
 - Hendrick's Point picnic area opens at 5:00 P.M., closes at sunset, Friday through Sunday.
- d. Greens Farms softball field – Opens sunrise closes sunset. Lighted athletic field is available April thru October by prior written permit only until 11pm.
- e. The Levitt Pavilion grounds close one hour after conclusion of performances during the performance season. During off-season the grounds close at sunset.
- f. Old Mill Beach – 5:00AM – 10:00PM
- g. Old Mill Parking Lot – Open 24 Hours a day except as otherwise posted.

II. ANIMALS

1. ALL PROPERTIES

- a. Dogs running free must be under control and in sight of their owner/handler at all times.
- b. Owners or Handlers must pick up their dog's feces and properly dispose of it.
- c. Horses are prohibited unless permission is granted in writing by the Parks and Recreation Department.

2. ATHLETIC FIELDS

Animals are not allowed inside the fenced-in areas at the Town's Little League fields at Coleytown School and Town Farm or baseball field at Wakeman Park at any time.

3. BARON'S SOUTH

No Dogs allowed at any time.

4. BEACHES – Compo/Burying Hill/Old Mill

- a. From April 1st to September 30th animals are prohibited at the beaches either in or out of vehicles except when going to and from boat moored at Ned Dimes Marina. Beaches are defined to include the water adjacent to the property, the sand areas adjacent to the water, the parking areas, grass areas, playing areas and roads, except that dogs are permitted in vehicles and, if on leash, going to and from such vehicles in the Soundview parking lot at all times other than entering the Soundview parking lot in vehicles between 9:00a.m. and 5:00p.m. on weekends and holidays.
 - i. Persons with dog(s) at Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach) and E.R. Strait Marina must have dog(s) on a leash.
- b. October 1st to March 31st – **COMPO BEACH**

Dog Free Area

Animals are not permitted in the covered pavilion area of Compo Beach, on the boardwalks or in the area between the boardwalks and the exit road (includes playground and volleyball courts at any time).

Dogs on Leash

Dogs, where permitted, must be kept on leash or lead under the control of the owner or keeper, except in areas designated as off-leash dog area. On leash areas include all parking lots, roadways and grass areas.

Off Leash Area for Dogs

- i. Dogs are permitted off leash in the area of the beach delineated by a line of demarcation to be established and maintained by the Parks and Recreation Department. The off-leash area may be expanded or reduced at the discretion of the Parks and Recreation Director.

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- ii. Owners or handlers must accompany their dogs at all times within the off-leash area.
- iii. Owners or handlers must have a leash at all times within the off-leash area.

5. **WINSLOW PARK**

Dog Free Area

No dogs at Winslow Park at the south end of park (between Post Road East and the path West of parking lot, and between Powers Court and North Compo Road.

Dogs on Leash

Dogs, where permitted, must be kept on leash or lead under the control of the owner or keeper, except in areas designated as off-leash dog area.

Off Leash Area for Dogs

- a. Dogs are permitted off leash in the area at the North End of the park delineated by the fence.
- b. Owners or handlers must accompany their dogs at all times within the off-leash area.
- c. Owners or handlers must have a leash at all times within the off-leash area.

6. 191 Hillspoint Road (Mill Pond) – No dogs allowed at any time.

7. Longshore Club Park

- a. Dogs, where permitted, must be kept on leash or lead under the control of the owner or keeper at all times.
- b. Dogs are prohibited from the golf course at all times.

III. PARKING EMBLEMS, HANDPASSES AND PERMITS

1. Parking Emblems

Valid and Current parking emblem is required to park in areas designated by the Westport Parks and Recreation Department as follows:

Compo Beach – May 1st to September 30th

Burying Hill Beach – Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day

Old Mill Beach – May 1 to September 30th – valid only 5:00am to 10:00pm

Longshore Lot C & D (Tennis/Pool/Sailing School) - Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day

Longshore Lot E & F (Marina) - Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day

Sherwood Mill Pond Preserve – May 1st – September 30th

2. Handpasses

A Parks and Recreation handpass is required for resident privileges related to the use of the Town of Westport's golf, tennis and Longshore swimming pool facilities, and for participation in designated Parks and Recreation Department sponsored programs.

3. Eligibility

The following are eligibility for privileges of the Parks and Recreation Department as outlined below and subject to applicable fees.

- a. Any resident taxpayer of the Town of Westport.
- b. Any year round tenant (lease must read twelve (12) months or more) renting a house or apartment in Westport, upon submission of a lease or sworn affidavit from the landlord.
- c. Any non-resident full time employee of the Town of Westport. Privileges extend to a spouse and children age 23 and under living in his or her household.
- d. Any resident of the Town of Weston, taxpayer or tenant who is renting for one year or more is eligible for parking emblems and ramp/launch permits only.
- e. Any Summer tenant renting a house or lodging in the Town of Westport for one month or more after presentation of a motor vehicle registration and lease, or sworn affidavit from the landlord.
- f. Any association, corporation, business or individual owning commercial real estate in the Town of Westport, and paying property taxes thereon, is entitled to have one individual designated as eligible to purchase parking emblems and limited privilege handpasses. Privileges extend to a spouse and children age 23 and under living in his or her household.
- g. Non-residents who would not otherwise be eligible for a parking emblem who apply after Labor Day of one year will be offered the opportunity to purchase a parking emblem for the following year at an approved non-resident fee. (Sales limited to 300 Emblems.)
- h. Any Senior Citizen (age 62 and over) or handicapped person who is a resident of the Town of Westport, and who does not own a motor vehicle, shall be entitled to purchase a parking emblem which upon presentation shall admit any motor vehicle in which that senior citizen or handicapped person is a passenger.
- i. A current motor vehicle registration (or copy) is required when obtaining a parking emblem.

PARKING EMBLEMS HANDPASSES AND PERMITS – (continued)

- j. Old Mill Resident Parking Permit – Owner or current resident of each residential property on Old Mill Road and Compo Mill Cove is eligible to purchase two Old Mill Resident Parking Permits and Two Old Mill Guest Parking Permits.
 - k. No handpass shall be issued to any person listed on the Connecticut Sex Offender Registry for any activity taking place during periods of time when school is in session on or adjacent to any school property. Such individual shall receive written notice denying the handpass sent by certified mail, return receipt requested. Any such individual denied a handpass shall have the right to appeal this decision within fourteen (14) days of the date of the denial by sending a written request mailed by certified mail to the Director, Parks and Recreation Department. Upon receipt of such written request, a hearing shall be scheduled before the Parks and Recreation Commission within thirty (30) days to review the original denial.
4. Transferring of parking emblem, handpass, permit, boating assignment or bathhouse assignment is prohibited. I.D. (picture license, etc.) may be requested to prove ownership of parking emblem, handpass, permit, boating assignment, or bathhouse assignment.
 5. Obtaining a parking emblem, handpass, permit boating assignment, bathhouse assignment or registration for recreation programs under false pretenses is prohibited.
 6. Aiding any non-resident or person not eligible in getting a parking emblem, handpass, permits, boating assignment, bathhouse assignment, or in registration for recreation programs is prohibited.
 7. Failure to return a parking emblem, handpass or permit when under suspension is prohibited.
 8. Emblems shall not be issued to any person's delinquent in their motor vehicle taxes, and/or outstanding parking tickets.
 9. Temporary parking emblems, handpasses or permits may be issued under the Policies and Procedures of the Parks & Recreation Department.
 10. Lost or stolen emblems shall be replaced at an approved replacement price, after an affidavit, supplied by the Parks and Recreation Office is completed and notarized.
 11. All emblems shall be affixed on the motor vehicle in a location and manner prescribed by the Westport Parks and Recreation Department.

IV. PARKING & TRAFFIC

1. Parking is permitted in designated parking areas only, unless prior written permission is granted from the Westport Parks and Recreation Department.
2. Any Police Officer/Special Police Officer/Traffic Agent, or the Parks and Recreation employee who may be designated by the Director, shall have charge and control over vehicular and pedestrian traffic on all roads on Parks and Recreation property. They may determine No Parking areas and other traffic authority, when needed. The direction on such traffic signs may be disregarded only on order of an authorized Officer.
3. No person shall disobey the direction of any traffic officer or town employee authorized to direct traffic on Parks and Recreation property.
4. Motor vehicles with a valid and current emblem are permitted to park in areas designated by the Westport Parks and Recreation Department as listed in Section III.
 - a. Emblem does not guarantee a parking space or entrance to the beach area when parking lots are full.
 - b. Vehicle **PARKED** in beach areas (Old Mill Beach Parking Lot, Sherwood Mill Pond Preserve and Longshore Club Park) without current parking emblem shall be subject to a \$50.00 parking ticket.
 - c. Parking on the exit roads at Longshore Club Park from the E.R. Strait Marina to the sub-station is permitted in designated areas only and a parking emblem is required.
5. Vehicles with attached trailers can park in designated areas only. Violators will be subject to a \$50.00 parking ticket per day.
6. Parking of detached trailers is prohibited in any part of Compo Beach or Longshore Club Park except in areas designated for seasonal drystall assignments. Violators will be subject to a \$50.00 parking ticket per day.
7. Parking for vehicles without a valid Parking Emblem in Longshore Park is restricted to persons using the Longshore facilities.
8. Compo Beach and Burying Hill Beach are the only beaches in which a daily fee may be paid to enter, if parking is available.
9. Old Mill Resident Parking Permit or Guest Permit is required to be posted on any vehicle parked in the Old Mill Beach Parking Lot between 10:00PM and 5:00AM year round.

V. CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL/GLASS CONTAINERS

1. Glass bottles and containers are prohibited on all beaches, parking lots, parks, athletic fields and any other property under the jurisdiction of the Parks and Recreation Department.
2. It shall be unlawful for any minor to possess or consume alcoholic beverages upon or within the beaches, parks, or any other parks and recreation property. (The term minor as outlined in Town Ordinance 6-6.)
3. The consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages at beaches between the hours of 6:00 PM and 6:00 AM from October 1st to May 1st is prohibited.
4. Beer kegs or other containers of beer in excess of one (1) liter is prohibited.
5. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited at Compo Beach facility (parking lots, athletic fields, basketball courts, beach front area, grass areas) without a prior written permit issued by the Parks and Recreation Department, the exception being the South Beach picnic area.

VI. BEACH RULES

1. Dressing or undressing in motor vehicles or on beach areas other than designated facilities is prohibited.
2. All watercraft (including windsurfers) are prohibited from launching off or beaching on beach front areas between April 15th and November 1st, except in the designated sailing area on South Beach.
3. Skateboarding is prohibited in parking lots, along roadways and boardwalks. Skateboarding is permitted only in the designated skate park area.
4. Swimming shall be allowed in designated bathing/swim areas only. Areas are designated by red and white swim buoys. Watercraft, including windsurfers and aircraft are prohibited from swim area.
5. Beach operating hours and dates –
 - a. Compo Beach season - May 1st to September 30th hours are 4 AM to 10PM
All cars must vacate by Midnight
 - (1) Middle parking lots shall be designated No Parking from 8:30 PM to 4:00 AM
 - (2) Compo Pavilion closes at sunset unless written permission is granted by the by the Westport Parks and Recreation Department.
 - b. Soundview Lot season - May 1st to September 30th hours are 8 AM to 10 PM except by prior permission from the Parks and Recreation Department and under the conditions required by the Parks and Recreation.
 - c. Old Mill Beach, Longshore marina, pool and beach parking lots season; Saturday before Memorial Day to Labor Day.
 - d. Burying Hill Beach season - Saturday before Memorial Day to Labor Day; hours are 5:00 AM to 10:00 PM.
6. Fishing in bathing/swim area is prohibited unless permission is granted by the Parks and Recreation Department.
7. The use of flotation devices (other than a recognized boating craft in designated area) is permitted only in the designated bathing/swim area off South Beach. This activity may be suspended if conditions make activity unsafe as determined by the Westport Parks and Recreation beach staff.
8. No person shall engage in any athletics, games or contest except swimming at any public beach, except in areas designated for that purpose by the Westport Parks and Recreation Department.
9. The use of scuba and skin diving equipment is prohibited off all beach front property unless prior written permission is granted by the Westport Parks and Recreation beach staff.
10. Buses are prohibited unless prior written permission is granted by the Westport Parks and Recreation Department.
11. Vehicles are prohibited from beachfront areas.
12. Pavilion at Compo Beach is designated for public use and may not be reserved for private parties. Cooking and possession of alcohol in this area is strictly prohibited.

BEACH RULES – (continued)

BATHHOUSES AND DRESSING ROOMS

1. Bathhouses and dressing rooms shall be assigned according to the policies of the Parks and Recreation Department.
2. All personal effects must be removed from bathhouses and dressing rooms by September 30th.
3. As of October 1st, personal property left in the bathhouses or dressing rooms shall be removed by the Parks and Recreation Department and shall be disposed of by them without further notice.
4. All bathhouse and dressing room assignees shall provide a suitable lock and shall keep the door of such facility locked during the season.

VII. LONGSHORE CLUB PARK (MISCELLANEOUS)

1. GOLF

- a. Skating is prohibited on any pond or water hole on the course. Sliding or skiing are prohibited unless signs authorizing such use are posted.
- b. Unlicensed drivers are prohibited from operating motorized golf carts.

2. GUEST PRIVILEGES

- a. No guest shall be admitted to Longshore Club Park recreational facilities unless accompanied by a Westport resident in possession of his/her individual pass. Such guests shall be required to pay the guest fee at the area to be used by said guest.
- b. Tournaments and other Special Events at the Longshore facility may be permitted in accordance with written policy of the Parks and Recreation Department, subject to fees established by the Westport Board of Selectmen. The Parks and Recreation Department may waive the requirement that guests be accompanied by a Westport resident in possession of a handpass for such Tournaments and Special Events.

3. LONGSHORE INN GUEST

Any guest staying (overnight sleeping guest) at the Inn, who is issued the Special Inn handpass shall be admitted to Longshore Club Park parks and recreational facilities upon payment of fees as approved by the Westport Board of Selectmen. Guest privileges for the golf course are limited to two persons per unit, the payment of the fee for golf, and said guests may not bring another guest.

VIII. YACHT BASINS AND MARINAS

1. Any resident of the Town of Westport, who meets the requirements for a Westport beach emblem and passes, shall be entitled to apply for a boating assignment or ramp permit at the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach) or the E. R. Strait Marina, if the following conditions are met at the time the boating assignment is granted.
 - a. The boat must be properly registered with the State of Connecticut. Proof of the applicant's Connecticut boating registration must accompany their annual renewal form.
2. After drystalls have been assigned to Westport applicants who qualify under Section A, applications of other persons will be considered, space permitting, after May 15th of each year in the following order: Town of Westport employees, Weston residents, payers of the entitling fee, and Westport summer residents and non-resident parking emblem holders. Applications for space must be made each year.
3. No boating assignment other than those authorized by the Parks and Recreation Department shall be permitted at the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach) or the E. R. Strait Marina.
4. Boats may occupy assignment berth or drystall from April 1st to November 30th. No services (sales or security), will be provided during April and November. All boats must be removed from Town marinas and property by November 30th.
 - a. Boats remaining after December 1st will be charged a \$30 per day storage fee until the boat is removed.
 - b. Boats remaining after December 15th will be considered abandoned and will be removed from their boating assignment at the cost of removing the boat, but not less than \$25. The boater will be charged a \$5 per day storage fee until the boat is removed and be subject to loss of boating assignment. After sixty days, each boat will be auctioned off in accordance with state statutes.
5. Joint ownership of boats will not be recognized by the Parks and Recreation Department for the purpose of assigning boating assignments; assignments will have to be made in one person's name, if he/she qualifies. Proof of the applicant's ownership interest is required. When a boating assignment is relinquished, the Parks and Recreation Department will reassign it from the waiting list.
6. No family residing in one dwelling may have more than one boating assignment in the water per season until all on the waiting list are satisfied.
7. No boating assignment shall be granted to commercial vessels.
8. Boating assignment renewal applications must be returned to the Parks and Recreation Department within thirty (30) days from the date they are mailed by the Parks and Recreation Department, or the boating assignment will be reassigned. Boating assignment renewal billings must be paid within thirty (30) days of the billing date. All other boating assignment billings must be paid within fifteen (15) days of the billing date. Boating assignment will be reassigned if the bill is not paid within the time set forth above.
9. Vessels shall be berthed only at locations designated by and in a manner approved by the Parks and Recreation Department.

ACHT BASINS AND MARINAS – (continued)

10. Drystalls shall be located in areas as designated by the Parks and Recreation Department. Vessels assigned to a drystall shall be kept in assigned stall at all times when not in use. Unassigned vessels using the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach) or E.R. Strait Marina facilities will be charged the daily guest fee.
11. Speed of vessels in basins shall not exceed three (3) miles an hour and leave a controlled wake or no wake.
12. No trash, garbage, oil, waste or heads (toilets) shall be discharged or deposited in basins or on the shore.
13. Gear, trailers, vessels and other property are prohibited from parking areas not designated for such use, unless a prior written permit is issued by the Parks and Recreation Department.
14. All boat owners shall keep their boats bailed out and in such a condition so as not to cause a hazard to docks or adjacent boats; this is not the responsibility of the basin or marina attendants. Owners will be responsible for damage done to docks or adjacent boats. No part of boat is to extend over the dock. Boat owners that persist in neglecting their boats condition will be subject to the loss of their boating assignment.
15. Advertising signs shall not be displayed from vessels, docks or land areas adjacent to the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach) or E.R. Strait Marina.
16. Owners of vessels shall provide dock lines of no less than 3/8" diameter and in good condition. Each boat owner shall check with the dockmaster as to the proper way to tie up the boat according to their assignment.
17. Gas docks, service floats and adjacent floats shall not be occupied by any vessel for more than thirty minutes, nor shall any vessel use these floats for wash downs except in those designated areas. Vessels that violate this rule will be removed at the owner's risk and expense, unless permission has been granted by the dockmaster only.
18. Vessels may be launched and hauled out at the three designated areas at the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach). Cars are prohibited from using the boat ramp on South Beach. The ramp at E. R. Strait Marina may be used for seasonal launching and hauling. Launching of Kayaks or Canoes is permitted from the E.R. Strait ramp with a valid season launch permit.
19. Launching Kayaks and Canoes ONLY is permitted from Sherwood Mill Pond Preserve with a valid season launch permit.
20. Owners are responsible for damage done by their vessels, to docks, floats, and other vessels.
21. Any violation of these regulations shall be reported to the Parks and Recreation Department or its representative at the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach) or E.R. Strait Marina.
22. Boat owners may not nail or attach fastenings to floats, or mark the floats or berths except with the prior written permission from the Maintenance Supervisor.
23. Power washing and bottom painting of boats is prohibited at town marina facilities.
24. Sailing is prohibited in Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach) and E.R. Strait Marina.

YACHT BASINS AND MARINAS – (continued)

25. Water skiing is prohibited in the basins or channels leading thereto.
26. Swimming is prohibited in the water of the E. R. Strait Marina, Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach), the Longshore Channel and the Compo Channel.
27. Any person desiring to enter or leave the marina facilities via the pedestrian ramps during the season between the hours of 8 PM and 7 AM is required to register in writing with the security guard on duty. The security guard is authorized to deny access to persons refusing to comply with the sign-in procedure.
28. A boating assignment not occupied on or before June 15th will be subject to loss of boating assignment, unless prior written permission is granted by the Parks and Recreation Department.
29. Open fires are prohibited at the E. R. Strait Marina and the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach), including the areas surrounding the marina facilities and aboard all vessels.
30. Westport residents wishing to trailer their boats into Compo Beach and utilize the boat launching ramps may do so upon the purchase of a ramp permit or by paying the daily launch fee.
31. Weston residents wishing to purchase a ramp permit may do so; a limit of twenty-five(25) ramp permits will be sold to Weston residents.
32. All watercraft entering in or on top of a vehicle (i.e., windsurfer, jet-ski, sunfish or small sailboat) must purchase an annual launch permit or pay the daily launch fee. The annual launch permit and/or the daily launch pass is available to any person with a Westport beach emblem.
33. Fishing is prohibited in the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach), the perimeter of the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach), from the docks at Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach), from the docks at E. R. Strait Marina or perimeter of E. R. Strait Marina during the boating season. Fishing from the docks may be granted by the Parks and Recreation Department.
34. Overnight sleeping is prohibited in boats at the Ned Dimes Marina (at Compo Beach) or the E. R. Strait Marina, unless permission is granted by the Parks and Recreation Department.

IX. ATHLETIC FIELDS

1. Only groups authorized by the Westport Parks and Recreation Department shall use athletic fields for organized programs.
2. The Parks and Recreation Department has jurisdiction of all athletic fields except Staples from 5:30 PM to dark, Monday through Friday during the school year, all weekend hours, and all summer hours.

When Staples High School athletic fields are under the jurisdiction of the Parks and Recreation Department by permission of the Board of Education, all rules and regulations of the Parks and Recreation Department apply.

All arrangements made concerning athletic field scheduling will be made through the Director of Parks and Recreation or his/her designee.

3. Motor vehicles and motorcycles are prohibited inside the fences bordering the Doubleday complex, including the area adjacent to the Police Athletic League clubhouse. Special permission may be obtained in writing from the Parks and Recreation Department office for vehicles, which are transporting materials into the complex, however, immediately after unloading, the vehicles must be moved to the lower parking lots. "No Parking" signs will be posted in the area.
4. No shoes with metal spikes (such as, baseball and track shoes) will be allowed on the track. Persons responsible for programs will be obligated to enforce this requirement.
5. The hitting of baseballs at Luciano Park is prohibited.

Animals on Athletic Fields

Reference Section II - #2

Golf on Athletic Fields

Reference Section I - #8

X. COMMUNITY GARDENS

1. Gardening shall be permitted on the Community Gardens without any handpass when school is not in session. Gardeners may bring guests at any time when school is not in session.
2. Community Gardens are closed between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. weekdays when school is in session.
3. When school is in session, all gardeners must have a Community Garden Photo Handpass.
4. A limited number of Community Garden guest passes may be issued by the Parks and Recreation Department if the guest is sponsored by a Community Garden handpass holder, subject to all other Parks and Recreation Regulations.

XI. PENALTIES

1. For any violation of these rules, the parking emblem, handpass, permit, bathhouse or boating assignment privileges may be revoked, and in the discretion of the Parks and Recreation Commission may not be renewed for the subsequent season. Any person who attempts to gain admission to an area where a handpass or permit is required when his/her handpass or permit has been suspended, or attempts to gain admission with a motor vehicle or motorcycle when the beach emblem has been suspended shall be subject to a fine of not more than ninety dollars.
2. Any person violating any of the rules and regulations governing the use of beaches, yacht basins, Longshore Club Park, parking lots, parks, athletic fields and any other property under the jurisdiction of the Parks and Recreation Commission may, in addition, to any other action authorized by said rules, shall be subject to a fine of not more than ninety dollars.
3. Forgery of symbol (parking emblem) or altering a parking emblem is a violation of the Connecticut General Statutes and will be treated as a Class A misdemeanor, maximum fine of up to \$1,000 and/or one year in jail. (See Connecticut General Statutes 53a-143.) Forgery or altering a parking emblem shall also result in suspension of privileges to be determined by the Parks and Recreation Commission.
4. Any Decision of the Parks & Recreation Department may be appealed to the Parks & Recreation Commission for review.