



TOWN OF NEWTOWN PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION 2024 TOWN PARKS RULES & REGULATIONS

The Newtown Parks & Recreation Commission has set forth the following rules and regulations:

GENERAL RULES FOR ALL PARKS

- A Parking Permit is required on ALL vehicles. Current park permit must be displayed on lower passenger side of the vehicle's front windshield.
- LIQUOR IS BANNED FROM ALL TOWN PARKS... with the exception of a pavilion rental and additional insurance.
- Drugs, tobacco products and glass containers are strictly prohibited inside the parks at all times. Violators may be prosecuted.
- NO PETS/ANIMALS ALLOWED IN OUR PARKS... with the exception of the Dog Park, Pole Bridge Preserve and Orchard Hill Nature Center. This rule does not apply to the use of service animals.
- NO overnight parking or camping.
- NO campfires.
- NO private lessons allowed at any facilities, paid or unpaid. Lessons provided by Parks and Recreation personnel only.
- Restrooms are available seasonally.
- Please report any damage to the Parks and Recreation office 203-270-4340. The Town of Newtown is not responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged personal property.
- Tagging or graffiti is a means of destroying and defacing Town Property, and is strictly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted.
- We have a carry in/carry out trash policy. Please honor this policy by leaving the park cleaner than you found it. Anyone found littering would be subject to a fine
- Fighting, profanity, loud music or rude, disruptive behavior will result in ejection from the park.
- No Frisbee, ball playing, skateboarding use, bicycle use or rollerblading use in the picnic areas, pool area, tennis courts, basketball courts or parking lot.
- Vehicles are to park in designated areas only. No vehicles permitted in picnic areas, ball field area, pavilion area or on the grass.

Resident Parking Permit – Parking Permits provides Newtown residents with admittance to all Newtown Parks. Stop by our office to obtain a resident parking permit. Two proofs of residency and vehicle registration are required. There is no charge for a resident park permit(s). If you are a Newtown resident and have a company car which is registered out of state, please provide your car registration along with a letter from your company (on company letterhead) stating that you are a Newtown resident with a company car registered out of state.

Non-Resident Parking Permit – This permit provides non-residents with admittance to all Newtown parks. The fee is \$150.00 for the season from May 27 (Memorial Day) - September 2 (Labor Day) or \$20.00 a day for a parking pass. If a non-resident wants to use the boat launch at Eichler's Cove or Lake Lillinonah, a 2024 boat launch key and non-resident park permit must be purchased.

TENNIS/PICKLEBALL AT TREADWELL AND DICKINSON PARK

- ALL nets will be installed by April 15th (weather permitting).
- ALL nets will be removed November 11th (weather permitting).
- ALL court time is on a first come, first served basis. One hour limit per group.*

*We ask that you follow the times posted on the fence for the hour system. The hour starts for each court on the hour, quarter-hour, half-hour and three-quarter-hour as posted on the fence. For example, if you start on the quarter-hour court, you must leave on the following quarter-hour.

ORCHARD HILL NATURE CENTER – Huntingtown Road, Newtown

- Park hours are 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.
- **NO roaming dogs. Dogs must be kept on a leash.**

POLE BRIDGE PRESERVE – Pole Bridge Road, Sandy Hook

- Park hours are 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
- **NO roaming dogs. Dogs must be kept on a leash.**

DICKINSON PARK- 50 Elm Drive, Newtown

- Park hours are from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm.
- Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied and supervised by an adult (minimum age 18 years old) at all Park amenities.
- No wading or playing in the brook.

DICKINSON PARK SKATE PARK – 50 Elm Drive and Brushy Hill Road, Newtown

- Use of this park is at your own risk. Know your abilities and skate within them. Exercise common sense and general courtesy toward other riders. All users assume all risk of injury. The Town of Newtown and its agents are not responsible for injuries of any type. Skating is an extreme sport activity and is a hazardous activity. When you enter this facility you assume all risks and responsibilities which could result in serious physical injury.
- Skating is not permitted when surface is wet and/or frozen.
- Skate Park is for skateboarding, rollerblading, scooters and biking only. All other uses are prohibited.
- Spectators are not allowed in skate park area and should watch from the perimeter of skate park area for safety.
- Proper use of safety equipment (helmets, knee pads, elbow pads) is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED!** In accordance with State of CT helmet laws, it is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** that all skaters wear a helmet while riding in the park.
- No unauthorized pieces of equipment, obstacles or apparatus may be brought into the skate area.
- No minimum age is required. However, anyone under the age of 10 must be supervised by an adult. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children under 10 not use skateboards without close adult supervision and that children younger than 5 not use them at all.
- Shirts are required at all times.

TREADWELL TOWN PARK – 47 Philo Curtis Road, Sandy Hook

- Park hours are 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.
- Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied and supervised by an adult (minimum age 18 years old) at all Park amenities.
- NO food or drinks other than water allowed on Treadwell or Tilson Turf fields.

DOG PARK RULES – 21 Old Farm Road, Newtown

Town of Newtown shall not be responsible for and shall have no liability for, the act or omission of individuals or their animals that utilize Park and Bark. You are liable for any injury or damage caused by your animal.

- Park hours are from sunrise to sundown.
- Dogs must have valid license and up to date rabies vaccinations. Licenses and rabies tags must be displayed on the dog.
- Dogs must be accompanied by their owner/custodians at all times. Dogs must be under voice-control and in sight of the owner/custodian at all times.
- Clean up after your dog immediately and dispose of waste properly, using the appropriate waste receptacles.
- **PROHIBITED ANIMALS:** female dogs in heat and aggressive dogs are prohibited from the park at all times. Dogs younger than four months should not be brought into the park.
- Limit three dogs per adult per visit.
- Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult and closely supervised at all times.
- Admission to the dog park is limited to those accompanied by a dog.
- Keep your dog on its leash until you are fully within the dog park. Leash your dog before exiting the dog park. Be prepared to leash your dog upon any sign of aggressive behavior.
- Be a good neighbor. Be considerate of the peace, privacy and property of the Park's patrons and neighbors.
- Splash pad is designed to serve dogs only. Children are not allowed. Water is not potable.
- Agility equipment is designed for dogs only. No children allowed on agility equipment.
- NO private dog training lessons allowed. Training by Parks and Recreation personnel only.

LAKE LILLINONAH TOWN PARK – 196 Hanover Road, Newtown

- Park hours are from 7:00 am – 8:00 pm.
- Parking is limited; therefore, first come, first served. Must have Parking Permit to enter park.
- Gates are locked at 8:30 pm. Vehicles remaining in the lot will be locked in until the morning. Parking is limited; therefore, first come, first served.
- Boat Launch Season: Opening Day of Fishing is 2nd Saturday in April, park closes the 2nd week of October.
- Must purchase a boat launch key to launch a boat and a Parking Permit is also required.
- Maximum of two picnic tables per group.
- The dock is used only for loading and unloading boats. No other use allowed; i.e., fishing, sunbathing, water skiing, diving, boat fueling, boat mooring or discharging of passengers.
- All boats must be properly registered and meet all boating regulations as pertaining to safety equipment, such as no open exhaust or excessive noise.
- DO NOT run boat engines on shore. The ramp is to be used for launching or taking out boats, water vessels, canoes and kayaks. NO swimming, fishing, boat mooring/maintenance of boat or fueling.

MARINA AT EICHLER'S COVE – 11 Old Bridge Road, Sandy Hook

- In order to launch a boat, patron must show boat launch key, purchased from Parks and Recreation office. No other forms of identification will be accepted. A Parking Permit is also required.
- Fishing is not permitted.
- **Boat slip renters may bring a dog from their car directly to the boat. Dogs MUST be leashed.**
- No sunbathing, fishing, swimming, diving or waterskiing from docks. Only dock slip renters are allowed on docks.
- Shoes are to be worn on docks at all times.
- The ramp is to be used for launching or taking out boats. NO swimming, fishing, boat mooring or boat maintenance from ramp.

TREADWELL POOL & EICHLER'S COVE BEACH DATES & HOURS:

- **May 25 – June 23**
Monday-Friday: 4-7pm
Saturday & Sunday: 9am - 7pm
- **June 24 - August 18**
Monday-Friday: 11am - 7pm
Saturday & Sunday: 9am - 7 pm
Note: June 24 – August 9, pool is closed from 1-2pm for Day Camp open swim.
- **August 19 – September 2**
Monday-Friday: 4-7pm
Saturday & Sunday: 9am - 7pm
- **Holidays**
Memorial Day (Monday, May 27): 9am - 7pm
Independence Day (Thursday, July 4): 9am - 7pm
Labor Day (Monday, September 2): 1-7pm
`As the season nears Labor Day, schedule may change*

TREADWELL LOCKER ROOM HOURS (Must be out by 7 pm!)

- Showers and locker rooms close at 7:00 pm Monday through Friday. Please plan accordingly.
- Showers and locker rooms close at 7:00pm Saturday & Sunday. Please plan accordingly.

EICHLERS COVE MARINA HOURS

- Park Warden on duty from 7:00 am – 9:30pm. From 9:30 pm – 7:00 am must check in with security guard.

***Please note, as season nears Labor Day times may change. Treadwell Pool & Eichler's Cove Beach close the day after Labor Day.**

****Schedule subject to revision. Revised schedules will be posted at the facilities.**

LOST SWIM PASSES: \$15 per card for residents; \$25 per card for non-resident

LOST LAKE LILLINONAH/EICHLER'S COVE BOAT LAUNCH KEY: \$25

**VIOLATION OF BEACH, POOL OR PARK RULES MAY RESULT IN LOSS OF POOL/BEACH OR PARK PRIVILEGES.
ANYONE FOUND DEFACING OR VANDALIZING PROPERTY WILL BE SUBJECT TO ARREST.**

TREADWELL POOL AND EICHLERS COVE BEACH RULES AND REGULATIONS

TREADWELL POOL AND EICHLER'S COVE BEACH GENERAL RULES

- TO BE ADMITTED TO THE POOL/BEACH AREA, EVERYONE MUST PRESENT A MEMBERSHIP TAG EACH VISIT. MONEY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED ON SITE. DEBIT AND CREDIT PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT TREADWELL GATE. DAILY USER FEE CANNOT BE APPLIED TOWARD A SEASONAL MEMBERSHIP.
- Photo ID may be needed along with a purchased pool pass when entering the pool and beach area at check-in
- Children under 13 years of age must be accompanied and supervised by an adult (minimum 18 years old). Children must be accompanied and DIRECTLY supervised by an adult while in the water.
- NO ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED. A person under the influence of alcohol or exhibiting erratic behavior shall not be permitted into the pool/ beach area.
- ALL balls, flippers, inner tubes, bubbles, water wings (any inflatable), etc. are not allowed in the pool/beach. At the discretion of the Waterfront Director, Assistant Waterfront Director or Head Lifeguard, Coast Guard approved floatation devices may be used. No fins or snorkels allowed.
- NO SWIMMING UNLESS THERE IS A LIFEGUARD ON DUTY. DO NOT visit with the lifeguards on duty. All lifeguard stations are for guard use only.
- Swimmers must stay off buoys and lines.
- To allow for the quickest emergency response, please keep the pool/beach area around the lifeguard chair(s) clear.
- The Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to schedule swim lessons, swim meets, special events, adult swims and to limit the capacity or clear the pool/beach for health and/or safety reasons.
- The entire pool/beach area and locker rooms will be cleared from the first sound of thunder until 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder.
- Children under the age of 4 must wear a reusable swim diaper.
- NO running, horseplay, smoking, vaping, use of inappropriate language, food, beverages, gum or glass containers.
- If the Parks and Recreation Department is forced to close the pool/beach for health and/or safety reasons, membership fees will not be prorated or refunded.
- Always obey the lifeguards; they are there for your safety. The lifeguards on duty shall have the authority to remove from the pool/beach area any person(s) who demonstrate unruly behavior or failure to comply with these basic rules. Such behavior may result in the revocation of their membership. Parents and guardians should supervise their children.
- NO overnight parking or camping. No campfires.
- Remember to treat all patrons, staff, equipment, and facilities with respect.

TREADWELL POOL RULES

- Kiddie Pool is intended for children 3 & under. Children must be DIRECTLY SUPERVISED by an adult.
- Inflatable's not allowed. No adults allowed in the kiddy pool unless with child.
- Showers must be taken before entering the pool.
- NO coolers or bottles allowed in the pool area, locker room or showers.
- No private lessons allowed. Lessons by Parks and Recreation personnel only.
- ONE lawn chair per adult is permitted in designated areas only.
- Excessive loudness of radios, etc. is prohibited.
- NO use of umbrellas at Treadwell pool.
- DO NOT enter the pool if you have a communicable disease or an open cut. Persons with severe infections or cuts are not permitted in the water.
- All patrons must wear a swimsuit
- DO NOT climb on any of the attractions structures.
- Diving, twisting or jumping backwards from the side of the pool is not allowed.
- Diaper changes on the pool deck are prohibited.
- Non-swimmers may only use the shallow areas of the pool and must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- Swim masks and goggles that cover the nose are not permitted.
- DIVING BOARD RULES WILL BE POSTED ON THE POOL DECK.

EICHLER'S COVE BEACH RULES

- The beach water is not suitable for drinking. Patrons should avoid swallowing beach water.
- Personal conduct within the beach shall not jeopardize the safety of self and others.
- Spitting, spouting of water, blowing the nose or otherwise introducing contaminants into the beach water is not permitted.
- Diving in shallow water is not permitted.
- Swimming is prohibited after sunset or before sunrise and while no guard is on duty.
- Feeding wildlife or other actions that encourage their presence is prohibited.
- Swim in designated areas only. Swimming from beach access only, not from lake access.
- Stay as close to the lifeguards as possible. No swimming unless lifeguard is on duty.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Know the depth of the water, direction of current and objects in the water.
- Sand or rock throwing or any other form of discourteous behavior is not allowed.
- Umbrellas and baby tents are permitted but we ask that you exercise good judgement in their use, particularly with regard to securing them. They must be anchored to prevent uncontrolled movement in good weather. You must close umbrellas when breezy conditions are anticipated. Canopy-type shade structures (most commonly 10' by 10' or larger) are prohibited.

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