ATHLETIC FIELDS

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct on all NVRPA athletic fields. Athletic fields are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. The use of rectangular athletic fields at Bull Run, Occoquan and Bull Run Marina (Kincheloe Fields) Regional Parks is reserved for youth soccer activities, and must be conducted in accordance with the *NVRPA Soccer Field Usage Policy* and the *NVRPA Guidelines, Rules, and Procedures for Use of Regional Soccer Fields.*
- 2. The use of rectangular athletic or event fields at Algonkian Regional Park is by permit only, and must be conducted in accordance with the *Policy for Allocation and Use of the Event Fields at Algonkian Regional Park*.
- 3. The use of baseball and softball fields for other purposes is not permitted without express approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 4. Baseball and softball fields are available on a first-come, first-serve basis unless otherwise posted as being reserved for a permitted use.
- 5. Field maintenance or alterations require express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 6. Motorized vehicles are not allowed on athletic fields, except with written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 7. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted on athletic fields.
- 8. The hitting of golf balls is restricted to designated golf courses and is not permitted on athletic fields and other open spaces.
- 9. Hitting, throwing or kicking balls into fences is prohibited.
- 10. Climbing on fences, backstops, dugouts and goals is prohibited.
- 11. Profanity and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.

- 12. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority reserves the right to close athletic fields at any time and for any reason deemed appropriate by management for the protection of park property and public safety.
- 13. Entrance to any field or space that is cordoned or posted as being reserved or closed to the public is strictly prohibited.
- 14. In the event of an electrical storm, athletic fields must be vacated immediately.
- 15. Participants assume the risk of any injury resulting from the use of athletic fields.
- 16. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 17. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

BATTING CAGES

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct at all NVRPA batting cages. Batting cages are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. All patrons must pay the appropriate fee.
- 2. All persons must wear a batting safety helmet, as provided by Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, when inside the batting cage.
- 3. Only one (1) person is allowed in a batting station during its operation.
- 4. To reduce the possibility of injury from stray balls, patrons must not cross the warning line at the end of a batting station at any time.
- 5. Swinging bats or pitching balls while on the sidewalk or in the presence of other persons is strictly prohibited.
- 6. Eating, drinking, smoking, and chewing tobacco are not permitted while using batting stations.
- 7. Persons under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other substances that may inhibit their ability to react are prohibited from entering the batting station.
- 8. All use of the batting cage is on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- 9. No pets of any kind are permitted in the batting cage.
- 10. In the event of an electrical storm, the batting cage must be vacated immediately.
- 11. Profanity and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.
- 12. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 13. Patrons assume the risk of any injury resulting from use of the batting cage.
- 14. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

BOAT, CAMPER, AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE STORAGE AREAS

(Not including Boathouses at Sandy Run Regional Park)

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct at all NVRPA boat, camper, and recreational vehicle storage areas. Boat, camper, and recreational vehicle storage areas are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Storage or long-term parking of privately owned boats, campers, or recreational vehicles is allowed only in facilities designated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority as boat, camper, and recreational vehicle storage areas.
- 2. Use of boat, camper, and recreational vehicle storage space requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 3. All users of storage space must pay the appropriate rental fee.
- 4. Each storage space is limited to one (1) trailered boat, camper, or recreational vehicle.
- 5. Access to storage areas is restricted to daylight hours only.
- 6. Gates to storage areas must remain locked at all times.
- 7. Only renters of storage space and accompanying guests are permitted in storage areas.
- 8. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 9. All boat trailers, campers, and recreational vehicles in the storage areas must be insured. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

BULL RUN PUBLIC SHOOTING CENTER

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct at the Bull Run Public Shooting Center. The Shooting Center is to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

Failure to abide by these rules may result in violators being ejected from the park.

Shotgun Sports

- 1. Shotguns are the only firearms permitted for recreational activity at the Bull Run Public Shooting Center. The possession or use of all firearms must be in strict accordance with Virginia state law and *Park Authority Regulations*.
- 2. Any and all shooting must be conducted under the supervision of an NVRPA authorized field safety officer.
- 3. Shooters and spectators must comply with orders of any authorized field safety officer.
- 4. Shooters must be at least eighteen (18) years of age or be accompanied by a shooting adult while on the premises.
- 5. Persons under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other substances that may inhibit their ability to react are prohibited from shooting.
- 6. Inexperienced shooters are required to complete a "learn-to-shoot" training program prior to initial use of the range.
- 7. All shooters must pay appropriate fees prior to shooting.
- 8. Shooters must ensure that shotguns are properly maintained and that barrels are clear of obstructions.
- 9. Restrictions Regarding Ammunition:
 - a. Number seven and one-half (7 1/2) shot is the maximum shot size permitted.
 - b. The maximum dram equivalent is three (3) drams.
 - c. Ammunition must conform to the firearm manufacturer's specifications.
- 10. Shotguns should be pointed safely at the ground or in the air away from all persons.
- 11. Shotgun actions must remain open and shotguns may be loaded only when the shooter is positioned at the

station and instructed by the field safety officer to prepare to fire.

- 12. "Dud" ammunition must be presented to the field safety officer for disposal and may not be discarded on shooting fields or shot fall areas.
- 13. No person is permitted on the shooting fields beyond the safety fence, except those shooting a round supervised by an authorized field safety officer. All spectators must remain outside the safety fence at all times.
- 14. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted inside the safety fence or buildings.
- 15. Only authorized personnel are allowed in the trap houses, storage rooms, staff lounges, offices, and other restricted areas.
- 16. In the event of an electrical storm, the shooting fields and sporting clays course must be vacated immediately.
- 17. Talking to or distracting field safety officers who are supervising the discharge of firearms is prohibited.
- 18. Profanity and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.
- 19. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 20. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

Indoor Archery

- 1. Archers are required to participate in a safety orientation prior to initial use of the archery range.
- 2. All archers must pay the appropriate range fee.
- 3. Archers under the age of fourteen (14) must be accompanied by an adult.
- 4. Crossbows are strictly prohibited.
- 5. Broad head points are strictly prohibited.
- 6. All shooting must occur at the established shooting line and is strictly prohibited at distances beyond or in advance of the line.
- 7. Some targets are at fixed positions of twenty (20) yards or eighteen (18) meters. Movable target stands must be used when shooting at shorter distances.
- 8. Archers must shoot only at the target in their designated lane and may not shoot across lanes.
- 9. No shooting is allowed when any person is beyond the established shooting line.

- 10. Archers may nock arrows only at the established shooting line.
- 11. Archers must remove the target from its stand upon completion of shooting.
- 12. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 13. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

CAMPGROUNDS

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations, Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct within all NVRPA campgrounds. Campgrounds are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Campgrounds are restricted to use by family and individual campers only for the purpose of recreational, non-residential overnight accommodations.
- 2. Campers must be eighteen (18) years of age or older to register for a campsite.
- 3. Campers less than sixteen (16) years of age must be supervised by a guardian eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- 4. Organized youth group camping is restricted to areas designated for that purpose.
- 5. Groups of individuals or families involving ten (10) or more campsites require express written permission of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority to use campgrounds.
- 6. All campers must register with park personnel, show valid identification and pay the appropriate fee, or must register and pay according to posted drop box procedures, prior to occupying a campsite.
- 7. Only registered campers and their guests may use the camping facilities.
- 8. A single camping stay may not exceed fourteen (14) consecutive days. All campers must vacate a campsite for a minimum period of four (4) consecutive days between single camping stays.
- 9. Campsites are limited to one (1) camping vehicle or travel trailer and two (2) tents or canopies per site. Camping or sleeping in the cab or bed of a truck, automobile or on the ground without a tent is prohibited.
- 10. A maximum of two (2) motorized vehicles per campsite is permitted.
- 11. All motorized vehicles and trailers must be parked in established paved or gravel parking areas at the site or at remote locations designated for general parking.
- 12. Campsites are limited to seven (7) campers per site per night. An additional fee will be charged

for campsites with more than four (4) people.

- 13. Service and commercial vehicles, tractors and construction equipment are not permitted in the campground.
- 14. Campers must check out by noon on the date of their departure. An additional nightly fee may be applied to late checkouts.
- 15. The check-in time for campers with reservations is anytime after noon.
- 16. Campground dumping stations are for the use of registered campers only.
- 17. Upon departure, campers must collect all trash from their campsites and deposit in campground trash dumpsters.
- 18. Guests of registered campers must pay the appropriate park entrance fees and must vacate the park no later than dark, or approximately thirty (30) minutes after sunset.
- 19. Campers must observe quiet hours between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- 20. Pets shall not be left unattended in the campground.
- 21. Campfires are permitted only within existing steel fire rings. Grills are for charcoal use only.
- 22. Cutting of trees and collecting of downed wood is prohibited.
- 23. Campfires must not be left unattended. Fires must be extinguished before retiring for the night or departing the campsite.
- 24. Profanity and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.
- 25. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 26. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

CARLYLE HOUSE HISTORIC SITE

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct at the Carlyle House Historic Site. The Carlyle House is to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. The Carlyle House Historic Site, including its buildings, grounds and furnishings, are valued features of a museum collection. The handling of any artifact, alteration of any structure, exhibit or display, and removal of any cultural or natural resource of the museum is strictly prohibited without the express approval of Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 2. All persons touring the museum or renting the Carlyle House as a reception/meeting facility must pay the appropriate fee.
- 3. Rental of the Carlyle House Historic Site for private functions requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 4. Smoking, eating and drinking are not permitted inside the Carlyle House.
- 5. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted inside buildings.
- 6. No rice, confetti, birdseed, rose petals or other material may be thrown in the buildings or on the grounds.
- 7. Musical instruments, radios and other sound devices, and amplified sound equipment to be used at the Carlyle House require the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 8. Use of Decorations:
 - a. No decorations may be affixed to walls, ceilings, rails, support columns, glass, furniture, or fixtures of any building or structure without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
 - b. The use of tape, glue, nails, tacks, screws, staples, or other fasteners that may scratch or otherwise damage surfaces are prohibited.
 - c. Helium balloons are not permitted in any building, structure, or outside area of the Carlyle House.

- 9. No tents, canopies, or other temporary structures may be erected at the Carlyle House without express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 10. No chairs, tables or other furniture may be placed on the terrace, lawn, or garden beds without express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 11. Entrance to any room or space that is cordoned or posted as being closed to the public is strictly prohibited.
- 12. Commercial photography and portrait or wedding photography inside the Carlyle House requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 13. The use of open flame for cooking, heating, lighting, or any purpose whatsoever requires the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 14. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 15. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

GOLF COURSES

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The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct within all NVRPA golf courses. Golf courses are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. All players must pay the appropriate fees.
- 2. Children seven (7) to ten (10) years of age may play Monday through Thursday only. All players under fourteen (14) years of age must play under the close supervision of a paying adult.
- 3. Only players who have registered at the clubhouse and accompanying spectators are permitted on the golf course.
- 4. Restrictions Regarding Spectators:
 - a. To ensure public safety and reduce slow play, spectators are discouraged on the golf course.
 - b. Spectators under fourteen (14) years of age are not permitted on the golf course.
 - c. Golf cars are required for players with accompanying spectators.
- 5. A maximum of four (4) players are permitted in a group. Management reserves the right to combine individuals and smaller groups into playing foursomes at its discretion.
- 6. Each player must have a golf bag with at least six golf clubs.
- 7. Players and spectators must wear appropriate golf attire including shirts (collared shirts for men), slacks or dress shorts, and shoes at all times. Open-toed or metal spiked shoes are prohibited.
- 8. The hitting of practice balls on the lawn, walks, traps, greens or tees while waiting to play is prohibited, except in designated practice areas.
- 9. Only players in groups positioned to tee off are permitted on the starting tee.
- 10. Use of Golf Cars and Pull Carts:
 - a. Only those persons who are eighteen (18) years of age or older are permitted to rent or operate a golf car.
 - b. A maximum of two persons and two golf bags may ride in a golf car at one time.
 - c. Driving golf cars in a reckless manner is strictly prohibited.

- d. Golf cars and pull carts are not permitted in areas posted as restricted.
- e. Golf cars and pull carts must be kept thirty (30) feet from greens and off of tee boxes.
- 11. Climbing the face of a bunker is prohibited.
- 12. Players should repair ball marks, divots and trap areas after each shot.
- 13. Profanity and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.
- 14. Golfers and spectators must follow appropriate golf etiquette at all times.
- 15. Swimming, bathing, or wading is prohibited in streams, lakes, and ponds.
- 16. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted on the golf course.
- 17. The possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages, except beer served under the control and supervision of Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, are prohibited. The possession of beer is to be strictly confined to the golf course and clubhouse, and is not allowed in parking lots and other areas of the park.
- 18. The hitting of golf balls is restricted to designated golf courses and is not permitted on athletic fields or other open spaces.
- 19. In the event of an electrical storm, the golf course should be vacated immediately.
- 20. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 21. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

MARINAS

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The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct within all NVRPA marinas. Marinas are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. All users must pay appropriate launch and boat rental fees.
- 2. Swimming, bathing or wading is prohibited in the Occoquan Reservoir and in all ponds, lakes, rivers and streams within or adjacent to the park.
- 3. No person shall board a boat that does not have at least one (1) Coast Guard-approved Type III or better Personal Flotation Device (PFD) and one (1) Type IV throwable PFD for each occupant of the boat.
- 4. All occupants of rental rowboats, canoes, kayaks, sailboats and pedal boats and all participants in park sponsored on-water programs and activities must wear a Coast Guard-approved Type III or better Personal Floatation Device (PFD) at all times.
- 5. No person shall operate a motor larger than ten (10) horsepower on the Occoquan Reservoir.
- 6. Only inflatable boats with three (3) or more chambers may be launched at boat launch ramps or shoreline launch areas.
- 7. No person shall use the ramps or shorelines of the park to launch racer hydroplanes, airplanes or other craft causing excessive noise.
- 8. No person shall operate one type of boat in an area designated specifically for a different type of boat.
- 9. Privately owned watercrafts are subject to posted No Wake zones and other restrictions.
- 10. No person shall intentionally cause boats to collide or capsize.
- 11. No person shall stand in boats, except when loading and unloading.
- 12. No person shall load or unload passengers in any area not designated for that purpose.

- 13. Boats must be returned to the marina before sunset or by the posted designated time.
- 14. Only persons who are sixteen (16) years of age or older and present a valid identification card are permitted to rent a boat.
- 15. Each rental boat must have at least one occupant sixteen (16) years of age or older at any time.
- 16. Boat renters must comply with maximum watercraft load capacities (weight and/or occupancy), as posted at the rental site.
- 17. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted in rental boats.
- 18. In the event of an electrical storm, the fishing pier must be vacated and all rental boats returned to shore immediately.
- 19. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 20. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

MEADOWLARK BOTANICAL GARDENS

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens is to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Use of the gardens and garden facilities must be in compliance with all *Park Authority Rules* applicable to Meadowlark Botanical Gardens and its rental reception/meeting facilities.
- 2. All persons entering the gardens must pay the appropriate fee.
- 3. Food and beverages may be consumed only at the Visitor Center or picnic pavilion and are prohibited in the gardens.
- 4. Smoking is not permitted in any buildings or structures at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens.
- 5. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted inside buildings or in the gardens.
- 6. Alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited, except at the Atrium and Visitor Center during functions permitted by Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 7. Swimming, bathing, or wading is prohibited in streams, lakes and ponds.
- 8. Fishing or trapping is not allowed in streams, lakes and ponds.
- 9. Cutting, picking, digging, or other means of removing plant and fungus materials, including flowers, seeds, berries, nuts or foliage, is strictly prohibited without the express written permission of Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 10. Climbing on trees, benches, statuary, structures, and other features of the gardens is prohibited.
- 11. Use of Trails:
 - a. Trails, including paved, gravel, wood-decked and natural surface walkways, are restricted to pedestrian use only.
 - b. Patrons must remain on officially designated trails or lawn areas at all times.
 - c. The gravel perimeter trail adjacent to the garden boundary is open to all forms of non-motorized transportation unless posted otherwise.

- 12. Active or competitive recreation, including but not limited to ball playing, Frisbee throwing, cycling, skateboarding, sledding, skiing, running, and jogging, is strictly prohibited.
- 13. Feeding of wildlife is not permitted.
- 14. Rental of the Atrium, Visitor Center, and gazebos for private functions requires the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 15. Weddings:
 - a. Weddings are prohibited in all areas of the garden, except at gazebos and rented reception/meeting facilities.
 - b. Non-rented gazebos are available for small weddings on a first-come, first-serve basis.
 - c. The use of decorations or furniture to supplement existing features of a non-rented gazebo is prohibited.
- 16. Musical instruments, radios and other sound devices, and amplified sound equipment are not permitted at any time in the garden, and may only be used at the Atrium and Visitor Center during functions permitted by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 17. The removal or alteration of artwork, furnishings, equipment, exhibits, displays and cultural and natural resources is prohibited.
- 18. No tents, canopies, or other temporary structures may be erected in the gardens without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 19. No chairs, tables, or other furniture may be placed on the lawn or in garden beds without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 20. Entrance to any room or space that is cordoned or posted as being closed to the public is strictly prohibited.
- 21. Commercial photography and portrait or wedding photography at any area or facility of Meadowlark Botanical Gardens requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 22. Vehicles are prohibited on all lawns, gardens, sidewalks, and trails.
- 23. Vehicles, including buses and limousines, are not permitted to stop, stand or park on any roadway, in any fire lane, or in front of any building, except to immediately receive or discharge passengers. Parking is restricted to officially designated paved parking areas.
- 24. In the event of an electrical storm, the gardens must be vacated immediately.
- 25. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 26. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

MINIATURE GOLF COURSES

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct within all NVRPA miniature golf courses. Miniature golf courses are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Only persons who pay the appropriate fee or accompany paying players are permitted on the miniature golf course.
- 2. All players must start on the first hole and progress in order, unless otherwise directed by management.
- 3. All players should comply with the following miniature golf playing instructions and etiquette:
 - a. Use only short putting strokes. Full swings are unnecessary and may be dangerous.
 - b. Play with a maximum of four (4) players per group, with only one group per hole at any time.
 - c. To reduce slow play, players are limited to six (6) strokes per hole.
 - d. Everyone in the group should play their first shot before anyone plays their second shot.
 - e. Any ball hit off of the putting green or into the water should be replaced on the green at the point where it went out, with a one (1) stroke penalty.
 - f. Any ball resting against an obstruction or brick may be moved one club head length, without penalty.
 - g. Any ball struck by another ball should be replaced at the original point of contact, without penalty. The striking ball should be played at the point where it comes to rest, without penalty.
 - h. To reduce slow play, allow faster groups to putt first when the hole ahead is open.
- 4. Climbing on rock structures, trees, light poles, handrails, waterfalls, and other landscape features is prohibited.
- 5. Persons must remain on walkways and putting greens at all times.
- 6. Horseplay, profanity, and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.
- 7. Smoking, food and beverages are prohibited on the miniature golf course.
- 8. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted on the miniature golf course.
- 9. Shoes and shirts must be worn at all times.

- 10. Swimming, bathing, or wading is prohibited in streams, lakes, and ponds.
- 11. In the event of an electrical storm, the miniature golf course must be vacated immediately.
- 12. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 13. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

NATURAL SURFACE TRAILS

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct on all NVRPA natural surface trails. Trails are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Natural surface trails are open only to pedestrians and equestrians, unless otherwise posted.
- 2. Trail users must follow appropriate trail safety practices and etiquette at all times:
 - a. Obey all directional signs posted on the trail.
 - b. Give an audible warning when passing other trail users.
 - c. Move left to pass.
 - d. Yield to traffic moving uphill.
 - e. Yield to equestrians, unless posted otherwise, and move off of the trail to allow horses to pass.
 - f. Maintain proper control at all times.
 - g. Stay on officially designated trails.
 - h. Restrict speed to safe levels appropriate for existing trail conditions.
 - i. Do not disturb vegetation and wildlife.
- 3. Natural surface trails should not be used under wet or muddy conditions.
- 4. Pets must remain on a leash and under a person's control at all times.
- 5. Assemblies of more than twenty-five (25) persons and competitions on trails require the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 6. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 7. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

PAVED OR GRAVEL SURFACE TRAILS

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct on all NVRPA paved or gravel surface trails, including but not limited to the W&OD Trail of the Washington and Old Dominion Railroad Regional Park. Trails are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Paved and gravel surface trails are open to all forms of non-motorized transportation unless posted otherwise.
- 2. All trail users must yield to equestrians. Bicyclists, in-line skaters and other persons using a wheeled means of travel must yield to pedestrians.
- 3. Trail users must follow appropriate trail safety practices and etiquette at all times:
 - a. Obey all directional signs posted on the trail.
 - b. Travel in the right lane/side of the trail.
 - c. Give an audible warning when passing trail users ahead.
 - d. Move left to pass.
 - e. Move off the trail when coming to a stop.
 - f. Maintain proper control at all times.
 - g. Stay on officially designated trails.
 - h. Restrict speed to safe levels appropriate for existing trail conditions.
 - i. Do not disturb vegetation and wildlife.
- 4. Assemblies of more than twenty-five (25) persons and competitions on trails require express written permission of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 5. Pets must remain on a leash no longer than ten (10) feet in length and under a person's control at all times.
- 6. No bicycle, in-line skating, or equestrian races or competitive speed training is allowed.
- 7. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 8. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

PLAYGROUNDS

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct at all NVRPA playgrounds. Playgrounds are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. No person over twelve years of age shall use any playground equipment meant exclusively for small children.
- 2. A guardian or parent must closely supervise any child twelve (12) years of age and under at all times to ensure safety and to prevent the following behaviors:
 - a. Pushing or shoving while on the playground equipment;
 - b. Running or lingering in front of or behind swings and other moving equipment;
 - c. Throwing of rocks, sticks, and ground surface materials;
 - d. Fighting;
 - e. Incorrect use of equipment;
 - f. Use of equipment by children of inappropriate age;
 - g. Other activities that may be harmful to children.
- 3. Children should not wear loose fitting clothing, safety helmets, or clothing with drawstrings that may catch on playground equipment.
- 4. Children should not be permitted to play on playground equipment that is wet or hot from exposure to weather.
- 5. Children should keep fingers and toes away from the moving parts of playground equipment.
- 6. Children may only ride feet first on playground slides.
- 7. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted in the playground.
- 8. Glass containers are prohibited in the playground area.
- 9. In the event of an electrical storm, the playground must be vacated immediately.
- 10. Profanity and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.

- 11. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 12. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

RENTAL COTTAGES AT ALGONKIAN REGIONAL PARK

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct during rentals of cottages at Algonkian Regional Park. Rental cottages are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Users of rental cottages must pay the appropriate rental fees.
- 2. Rental of cottages requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 3. Cottages are intended for the purpose of recreational, non-residential overnight accommodations. A cottage stay may not exceed thirty (30) consecutive days without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 4. Use of the cottages must comply with the following restrictions regarding capacity:

a.	The maximum occupancy for overnight accommodations is:	
	Two (2)-Bedroom Deluxe Cottage	Four (4) Persons
	Three (3)-Bedroom Cottage	Six (6) Persons
	Four (4)-Bedroom Deluxe Cottage	Ten (10) Persons
	Five (5)-Bedroom Cottage	Ten (10) Persons
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- b. At no time may the number of vehicles parked at any cottage exceed the number of bedrooms for that cottage.
- c. Cottages may be rented for the purpose of non-overnight group meetings involving less than sixteen (16) persons, subject to contractual rules and conditions.
- d. Cottages may be rented for the purpose of conducting non-overnight social functions involving no more eight (8) persons.
- 5. Renters must be twenty-one (21) years of age or older and must be an occupant of the cottage throughout the rental period.
- 6. Only registered renters and their guests may use the cottages and cottage grounds.
- 7. No person other than registered cottage renters and their guests are permitted to park vehicles on the cottage access road, driveways and grounds.
- 8. Service and commercial vehicles, tractors, and construction equipment are not permitted to park on the cottage access road or driveways.

- 9. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted in the cottages.
- 10. Smoking is strictly prohibited in the cottages.
- 11. The use of open flame for cooking, heating, lighting, or any purpose whatsoever is prohibited in the cottage or on the cottage deck, except gas fireplaces and grills installed by Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 12. The cottage check-in time is between 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on the scheduled date of arrival.
- 13. Renters must checkout by 11:00 a.m. on the date of departure. An additional nightly fee may be applied to late checkouts.
- 14. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is restricted to cottages and cottage decks in accordance with Virginia State law.
- 15. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority reserves the right to enter any cottage under reasonable circumstances for the purpose of ensuring public safety and protecting or maintaining park property.
- 16. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 17. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

RENTAL RECEPTION/MEETING FACILITIES AT ALGONKIAN REGIONAL PARK

(The Meeting Center)

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct during rentals of reception/meeting facilities at the Meeting Center of Algonkian Regional Park. Reception/meeting facilities are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Renters of reception/meeting facilities at the Meeting Center must pay the appropriate rental fees.
- 2. Rental of reception/meeting facilities for private functions requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 3. Smoking is not permitted in the Meeting Center or other buildings of Algonkian Regional Park.
- 4. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted inside the Meeting Center.
- 5. No rice, confetti, birdseed, rose petals, or other material may be thrown in buildings, on adjacent grounds, or other areas of the park.
- 6. Musical instruments, radios and other sound devices, and amplified sound equipment to be used at the Meeting Center require the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 7. Use of Decorations:
 - a. No decorations may be affixed to walls, ceilings, rails, support columns, glass, furniture, or fixtures of any building or structure without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
 - b. The use of tape, glue, nails, tacks, screws, staples, or other fasteners that may scratch or otherwise damage surfaces are prohibited.
- 8. The removal or alteration of artwork, furnishings, equipment, exhibits, displays, and cultural and natural resources is prohibited.
- 9. No tents, canopies, or other temporary structures may be erected in Algonkian Regional Park without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.

- 10. No chairs, tables, or other furniture may be placed on the grounds of the Meeting Center without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 11. Entrance to any room or space that is cordoned or posted as being closed to the public is strictly prohibited.
- 12. Commercial photography and portrait or wedding photography at the Meeting Center requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 13. Vehicles are prohibited on the Meeting Center lawns, gardens, sidewalks, and trails.
- 14. Vehicles, including buses and limousines, are not permitted to stop, stand or park on any roadway, in any fire lane, or in front of any building, except to immediately receive or discharge passengers. Parking is restricted to officially designated paved parking areas.
- 15. The use of open flame for cooking, heating, lighting, or any purpose whatsoever requires the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 16. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 17. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

RENTAL RECEPTION/MEETING FACILITIES AT MEADOWLARK BOTANICAL GARDENS

(Atrium and Visitors Center)

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct during rentals of reception/meeting facilities at the Atrium and Visitor Center of Meadowlark Botanical Gardens. Reception/meeting facilities are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Renters of reception/meeting facilities at the Atrium and Visitor Center must pay the appropriate rental fees.
- 2. Rental of the Atrium or Visitor Center for private functions requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 3. Smoking is not permitted in the Atrium, Visitor Center, or other buildings of Meadowlark Botanical Gardens.
- 4. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted inside the buildings or on the grounds.
- 5. No rice, confetti, birdseed, rose petals, or other material may be thrown in the buildings, on adjacent grounds, or other areas of the park.
- 6. Musical instruments, radios and other sound devices, and amplified sound equipment to be used at the Atrium or Visitor Center require the express written permission of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 7. Use of Decorations:
 - a. No decorations may be affixed to walls, ceilings, rails, support columns, glass, furniture, or fixtures of any building or structure without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
 - b. The use of tape, glue, nails, tacks, screws, staples, or other fasteners that may scratch or otherwise damage surfaces are prohibited.
 - c. Helium balloons are not permitted in any building, structure, or outside area of the gardens.

- 8. The removal or alteration of artwork, furnishings, equipment, exhibits, displays and cultural and natural resources is prohibited.
- 9. No tents, canopies, or other temporary structures may be erected at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 10. No chairs, tables, or other furniture may be placed on the lawn or in garden beds without the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 11. Entrance to any room or space that is cordoned or posted as being closed to the public is strictly prohibited.
- 12. Commercial photography and portrait or wedding photography at any area or facility of Meadowlark Botanical Gardens requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 13. Vehicles are prohibited on all lawns, gardens, sidewalks, and trails.
- 14. Vehicles, including buses and limousines, are not permitted to stop, stand or park on any roadway, in any fire lane, or in front of any building, except to immediately receive or discharge passengers. Parking is restricted to officially designated paved parking areas.
- 15. The use of open flame for cooking, heating, lighting, or any purpose whatsoever requires the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 16. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 17. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

RENTAL SHELTERS

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct at all NVRPA rental shelters. Rental shelters are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Renters of shelters, and persons using non-rented shelters during peak periods of park visitation (Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays from April 1 through October 31), must pay appropriate rental fees.
- 2. Non-rented shelters are available for use on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- 3. Rental of shelters requires express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be in strict accordance with contractual rules and conditions.
- 4. Use of any shelter that is cordoned or posted as being reserved or closed to the public is strictly prohibited.
- 5. Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in the park, except in areas and under conditions established for such purposes by Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 6. The following activities require the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority:
 - a. Operation of special amusements, including but not limited to animal or mechanical rides, inflatable play amusements, and musical or theatrical performances;
 - b. Conduct of camps, fairs, exhibitions, rallies, fundraising efforts, races, walks, athletic league games or practices, and other organized events;
 - c. Construction of tents, canopies, inflatable amusements, or other temporary structures;
 - d. Use of musical instruments, radios and other sound devices, and amplified sound equipment;
 - e. Sale of food, beverages or other goods;
 - f. Collection of fees or monetary contributions.
- 7. The use of tape, glue, nails, tacks, screws, staples, or other fasteners that may scratch or otherwise damage surfaces of the shelter are prohibited.
- 8. The removal of tables or grills from the shelter is not permitted.
- 9. Vehicles must park in designated paved and gravel parking areas only, and are prohibited on the grass.

- 10. Upon departure from the shelter, trash must be collected from tables and grounds and deposited in trash receptacles.
- 11. Groups that exceed the maximum occupancy limit may forfeit use of the shelter or be charged an additional fee for each person above capacity.
- 12. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 13. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.
SANDY RUN REGIONAL PARK AND ROWING FACILITY

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct within Sandy Run Regional Park and its rowing facility. Sandy Run Regional Park and its rowing facility are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Use of Sandy Run Regional Park is intended for the purpose of education, training, practice, and racing for competitive and recreational rowing, sculling and paddling. Other activities require express written approval of Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 2. Use of rowing facilities, including but not limited to boathouses and other buildings, docks, storage racks, launch ramps, racecourse, equipment, grandstand, roads and parking areas, require express written approval of Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and must be conducted in strict accordance with the NVRPA *Sandy Run Rowing Facility Operations and Management Plan* and appendices.
- 3. All persons using storage and launch facilities must register with park management and pay the appropriate fee.
- 4. Only shells, racing canoes, racing kayaks, and other boats authorized by Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority may be stored or launched at the park.
- 5. Swimming, bathing or wading is prohibited in the Occoquan Reservoir and in all ponds, lakes, rivers and streams within or adjacent to the park.
- 6. No person shall operate a motor larger than ten (10) horsepower on the Occoquan Reservoir.
- 7. No person shall board a boat, except a rowing shell, that does not have at least one (1) Coast Guard-approved Type III or better Personal Flotation Device (PFD) and one (1) Type IV throwable PFD for each occupant of the boat.
- 8. Fishing is prohibited from the shorelines of Sandy Run Regional Park.
- 9. The park entrance gate must remain closed except during special events, activities and times approved by Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.

10. Use of Trails, Roads and Parking Areas:

- a. Natural surface trails are open only to pedestrians.
- b. In the interest of public safety, pedestrians, equestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized traffic are prohibited on the access road to the grandstand and judging stand at all times.
- c. Motorized vehicles are not allowed on the access road to the grandstand and judging stand, except with written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- d. All vehicles and trailers must park in designated paved or gravel parking areas.
- e. Vehicles are only permitted in the vicinity of the boathouses, docks and ramps for the purpose of loading and unloading equipment.
- 11. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted in the park during special events or scheduled regattas.
- 12. The use of open flame for cooking, heating, lighting, or any purpose whatsoever requires the express written approval of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- 13. Smoking is not permitted in or near the boathouses, fuel room, restrooms, and other buildings or on docks, stands, and other structures of Sandy Run Regional Park.
- 14. All persons and vehicles must vacate the park one half (1/2) hour after sunset.
- 15. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 16. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

SWIMMING POOLS

(Not including Great Waves at Cameron Run Regional Park)

Public activity at all properties and facilities owned and operated by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) is controlled by state law, local ordinance, *Park Authority Regulations*, *Park Authority Rules*, and general operating policies, permits, and procedures, each providing penalties for noncompliance.

The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct within all NVRPA swimming pools at Algonkian (*Downpour*), Bull Run, Pohick Bay and Upton Hill Regional Parks. Swimming pools are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. All persons entering the pool enclosure must pay the appropriate fee.
- 2. Children under the age of twelve (12) must be accompanied and supervised by a paying guardian, sixteen (16) years of age or older, at all times.
- 3. Pool attractions may include activities that are strenuous and inappropriate for persons with health restrictions.
 - a. Users must be in good health.
 - b. Pregnant women, individuals with heart conditions, or any individuals under the care of a physician should not engage in strenuous activities.
 - c. Users must observe and evaluate attractions for risk to personal health and safety before participating.
- 4. Persons with skin disease, open wounds, nasal or ear discharge, inflamed eyes, diarrhea, or any communicable disease are not allowed in the pool.
- 5. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted inside the enclosed area. Pets are not permitted in swimming pools.
- 6. The following items represent a potential threat to pool safety and are prohibited at all swimming pools:
 - a. Glass containers and breakable objects;
 - b. Chewing gum, food and drink, except items provided and consumed at NVRPA concessions;
 - c. Masks, snorkels and fins;
 - d. Rubber balls, Frisbees, diving sticks and water guns;
 - e. Water wings, swim noodles, swim sweaters with inner tubes, or Learn-to-swim belts;
 - f. Inflatable tubes or rafts when used as swim aids.
- 7. Inflatable tubes or rafts used solely for recreation, not as swim aids, are permissible, but only during periods of low visitation and at the discretion of pool management.

- 8. Sponge rubber or inflatable balls are permissible in the designated shallow area of the pool, but only during periods of low visitation and at the discretion of pool management.
- 9. All persons must wear appropriate swimming attire, acceptable to the standards of the community. No rivets, zippers, or buttons are permitted on swimming attire.
- 10. Possession of Food and Drinks:
 - a. Food and drinks may not be brought into the pool enclosure.
 - b. Food and drinks, purchased from NVRPA concessions, are allowed only in the area designated for refreshments, except water contained in plastic bottles.
 - c. Chewing Gum is not permitted anywhere inside the pool enclosure.
 - d. Management must approve any exceptions for persons with disabilities or special needs regarding food and drinks.
- 11. Only authorized staff is allowed in the filter building, storage rooms, chlorination building, control area, staff lounge, and manager's office.
- 12. Use of Personal Flotation Devices:
 - a. Only United States Coast Guard approved personal flotation "jackets" are permitted at NVRPA swimming pools.
 - b. Children using personal flotation devices require direct one-on-one adult supervision.
 - c. Persons using personal flotation jackets are not allowed in water over their shoulders.
 - d. Flotation jackets are permitted only in the designated shallow areas.
 - e. Inflatable tubes and rafts are not permitted as swimming aids.
- 13. Use of Infant Wading Pools:
 - a. Only children six (6) years of age or under, supervised by an adult, may use the infant wading pool.
 - b. Children not toilet trained may use only the wading pool and are strictly prohibited in the main swimming pool.
 - c. All children not toilet trained are required to wear swim diapers.
 - d. Children requiring the use of swim diapers must remain in the infant wading pool.
- 14. Persons unable to demonstrate to the lifeguards their ability to swim fifty (50) feet and handle themselves well in the water will not be allowed in water over their shoulders.
- 15. All patrons must stay completely out of the water during safety breaks.
- 16. Spitting and blowing of nose in the pool or on the deck are prohibited.
- 17. In the event of an electrical storm, the pool and deck area must be vacated immediately.
- 18. Talking to and visiting with lifeguards, who are actively scanning, is prohibited.
- 19. Use of Diving Boards:
 - a. Only one person is permitted on a diving board structure at one time.
 - b. Each diver must wait until the preceding user has cleared the landing area before diving.
 - c. Divers must swim directly to the nearest ladder and exit the pool.

- d. All divers must dive straight off the end of the board while facing forward toward the water.
- e. Only one bounce is permitted on diving boards.
- f. Cartwheels, handstands, back dives, back flips, and other dangerous actions are prohibited.
- 20. Use of Waterslides, Ten (10) Feet in Height or Less:
 - a. Only one person is permitted on a waterslide at a time.
 - b. Each slider must wait until the preceding user has cleared the landing area before sliding.
 - c. Sliders must ride feet first, sitting down.
 - d. Slides are restricted to persons weighing less than two hundred and fifty (250) pounds.
 - e. Handheld or loose objects (i.e. sunglasses, towels, sunscreen bottles, etc.) are not allowed on the waterslide.
- 21. Diving into water less than eight (8) feet in depth is prohibited. Back dives, flips, and other dangerous actions from the side of the pool are prohibited in any depth of water.
- 22. Running, pushing or horseplay is prohibited at all times inside the enclosed area.
- 23. Playing with Frisbees, balls, or other projectile objects is prohibited on the pool deck.
- 24. The actions and conduct of organized groups are the responsibility of group leaders. Misconduct of any group member may be considered action by the entire group, and may subject the entire group to ejection from the pool.
- 25. Profanity and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.
- 26. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any patron is strictly prohibited.
- 27. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

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GREAT WAVES WATERPARK

(Wave Pool, Play Pool and Wading Pool at Cameron Run Regional Park)

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The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct within *Great Waves* at Cameron Run Regional Park. Swimming pools are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. All persons entering the pool enclosure must pay the appropriate fee.
- 2. Children under the age of twelve (12) must be accompanied and supervised by a paying guardian, sixteen (16) years of age or older, at all times.
- 3. Pool attractions may include activities that are strenuous and inappropriate for persons with health restrictions.
 - a. Users must be in good health.
 - b. Pregnant women, individuals with heart conditions, or any individuals under the care of a physician should not engage in strenuous activities.
 - c. Users must observe and evaluate attractions for risk to personal health and safety before participating.
- 4. Persons with skin disease, open wounds, nasal or ear discharge, inflamed eyes, diarrhea, or any communicable disease are not allowed in the pool.
- 5. No pets of any kind, except dogs assisting individuals with disabilities, are permitted inside the enclosed area. Pets are not permitted in swimming pools.
- 6. The following items represent a potential threat to pool safety and are prohibited at all swimming pools:
 - a. Glass containers and breakable objects;
 - b. Chewing gum, food and drink, except items provided and consumed at NVRPA concessions;
 - c. Masks, snorkels and fins;
 - d. Rubber balls, Frisbees, diving sticks and water guns;
 - e. Water wings, swim noodles, swim sweaters with inner tubes, or Learn-to-swim belts;

- f. Inflatable tubes or rafts, except those rented through NVRPA concessions.
- 7. Use of Inflatable Rafts:
 - a. Only rafts rented through NVRPA concessions are allowed in the pools.
 - b. Rafts are intended for recreational use only, and may not be used as flotation devices by nonswimmers.
 - c. All rafts must enter and exit the pool through the shallow section.
 - d. Standing and jumping on rafts are prohibited.
 - e. Stacking of rafts is prohibited.
 - f. Use of another person's raft without the renter's permission is strictly prohibited.
- 8. Sponge rubber or inflatable balls are permissible in the designated shallow area of the pool, but only during periods of low visitation and at the discretion of pool management.
- 9. All persons must wear appropriate swimming attire, acceptable to the standards of the community. No rivets, zippers, or buttons are permitted on swimming attire.
- 10. Possession of Food and Drinks
 - a. Food and drinks may not be brought into the pool enclosure.
 - b. Food and drinks, purchased from NVRPA concessions, are allowed only in the area designated for refreshments, except water contained in plastic bottles.
 - c. Chewing gum is not permitted anywhere inside the pool enclosure.
 - d. Management must approve any exceptions for persons with disabilities or special needs regarding food and drinks.
- 11. Only authorized staff is allowed in the filter building, storage rooms, chlorination building, control area, staff lounge, and manager's office.
- 12. Use of Personal Flotation Devices:
 - a. Only United States Coast Guard approved personal flotation "jackets" are permitted at NVRPA swimming pools.
 - b. Children using personal flotation devices require direct one-on-one adult supervision.
 - c. Persons using personal flotation jackets are not allowed in water over their shoulders.
 - d. Flotation jackets are permitted only in the designated shallow areas.
 - e. Inflatable tubes and rafts are not permitted as swimming aids.
- 13. Use of Infant Wading Pools:
 - a. Only children six (6) years of age or under, supervised by an adult, may use the infant wading pool.
 - b. Children not toilet trained may use only the wading pool and are strictly prohibited in the main swimming pool.
 - c. All children not toilet trained are required to wear swim diapers.
 - d. Children requiring the use of swim diapers must remain in the infant wading pool.
- 14. Persons unable to demonstrate to the lifeguards their ability to swim fifty (50) feet and handle themselves well in the water will not be allowed in water over their shoulders.

- 15. All patrons must stay completely out of the water during safety breaks.
- 16. Spitting and blowing of nose in the pool or on the deck are prohibited.
- 17. In the event of an electrical storm, the pool and deck area must be vacated immediately.
- 18. Talking to and visiting with lifeguards, who are actively scanning, is prohibited.
- 19. Use of Waterslides, Ten (10) Feet in Height or Less:
 - a. Only one person is permitted on a waterslide at a time.
 - b. Each slider must wait until the preceding user has cleared the landing area before sliding.
 - c. Sliders must ride feet first, sitting down.
 - d. The waterslide is restricted to persons weighing less than two hundred and fifty (250) pounds.
 - e. Handheld or loose objects (i.e. sunglasses, towels, sunscreen bottles, etc.) are not allowed on the waterslide.
- 20. Dives, flips, and other dangerous actions from the side of the pool are prohibited in any depth of water.
- 21. Running, pushing or horseplay is prohibited at all times inside the enclosed area.
- 22. Playing with Frisbees, balls, or other projectile objects is prohibited on the pool deck.
- 23. The actions and conduct of organized groups are the responsibility of group leaders. Misconduct of any group member may be considered action by the entire group, and may subject the entire group to ejection from the pool.
- 24. Profanity and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.
- 25. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any patron is strictly prohibited.
- 26. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.

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WATERSLIDES - GREATER THAN TEN (10) FEET IN HEIGHT

(*Great Waves* at Cameron Run Regional Park, *Downpour* at Algonkian Regional Park & Bull Run Regional Park Swimming Pool)

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The following *Park Authority Rules* apply to conduct when using waterslides greater than ten (10) feet in height at NVRPA swimming pools. Waterslides are to be used in a manner providing for the safety and enjoyment of all.

- 1. Use of the waterslide must be in compliance with all applicable *Park Authority Rules* for both NVRPA swimming pools and waterslides.
- 2. Persons using the waterslide must be able to swim fifty (50) feet and handle themselves well in the water.
- Waterslides may include activities that are strenuous and inappropriate for persons with health restrictions.
 a. Users must be in good health.
 - b. Pregnant women, individuals with heart conditions, or any individuals under the care of a physician should not engage in strenuous activities.
 - c. Users must observe and evaluate attractions for risk to personal health and safety before participating.
- 4. Swimming attire with rivets, metal fasteners, and any hard or sharp item in the pockets are not allowed on the waterslide. Locker keys must be pinned to the front of swimwear.
- 5. All persons using the waterslide must wait in turn to enter the flume's starting tub.
- 6. All persons using the waterslide must comply with the following rules for riding the flumes:
 - a. Sliders must be at least forty-eight (48) inches tall.
 - b. The waterslide is restricted to persons weighing less than two hundred and fifty (250) pounds.
 - c. Sliders must assume a sitting position in the flume's starter tub and await instructions from the supervising attendant/lifeguard.
 - d. No person shall enter a flume until directed to do so by the supervising attendant/lifeguard and before the landing area is clear.

- e. Pulling, propelling, or other accelerated starts into the flume are not allowed.
- f. Users must slide in a position of feet first while lying on backs with arms crossed over chests.
- g. Arms and hands must remain inside the flume at all times.
- h. Standing, sitting, kneeling, rotating, tumbling, stalling and stopping are strictly prohibited while riding the waterslide flume.
- i. Only one slider is permitted on a flume at a time. Trains or chains of sliders are strictly prohibited.
- j. Rafts or flotation devices of any type are not allowed on the waterslide.
- k. Handheld or loose objects (i.e. sunglasses, towels, sunscreen bottles, etc.) are not allowed on the waterslide.
- 7. Sliders must exit the waterslide landing area immediately.
- 8. Waterslides without dedicated landing pools must be closed during swimming pool safety breaks. Users must stay completely off of flumes, slide structures, and out of the water during safety breaks.
- 9. In the event of an electrical storm, the waterslide, pool, and deck area must be cleared immediately.
- 10. Profanity and abusive language or behavior is prohibited.
- 11. Conduct that may endanger the welfare of any person is strictly prohibited.
- 12. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority assumes no responsibility for personal property.