

HMC Management

POLICY

Subject: HMC Parks

HMC Parks and Common Areas are for the recreational use and pleasure of all members, spouses, renters, and guests. Be aware of the noise rule: No noise between the hours of 10:00 PM and 8:00 AM Sunday through Thursday or between 11:00 PM and 8:00 AM Friday and Saturday.

North Beach Park and Goodpastor Park have playground equipment and both areas have portable toilets. Goodpastor Park, with associated wetlands, has a baseball field, basketball/pickleball court, an open field sports area for games such as soccer and volleyball, and a picnic area.

North Beach Park and South Beach Trail have access to the beach. Do not drive on the beach. Do not remove beach gravel or sand. (Note: The Washington Shoreline Management Act also governs the removal of sand and gravel from any beach.) Fires are NOT allowed on South Beach.

Any person swimming in the waters surrounding Herron Island, using the swim float, or using any of the common areas and parks on Herron Island does so at his/her own risk.

Legal fireworks are permitted at the North Beach Park between dusk and midnight on the 4th of July only. If there is a burn ban, HMC may cancel the fireworks.

North Beach Park also includes:

A Fire pit--Observe burn ban and be sure any fires or coals are completely extinguished before you leave. Members can provide fire wood (no lumber) for use in the fire pit. Personal yard waste does not belong in the fire pit. Do not light fires on the beach or anywhere else in the Park.

The Pavilion--There is a separate policy regarding use of the Rose McGinn Pavilion.

An area for Horseshoe Pitching – Adult supervision is necessary to prevent young children from being hit with a horseshoe.

Kayak Racks--All kayaks left at North Beach Park must be stored in or next to the kayak racks, and have a member number on them with either an office-issued decal or in permanent ink with member number. (It is recommended to have both decal and permanent markings on kayaks).

A designated swimming area--For the safety of swimmers, no kayaks, canoes, paddleboards, motorized water craft or other large hard items are permitted in this area. Children's float toys are allowed. (Read the sign at North Beach)

Water- and jet-skiing are prohibited in the vicinity of the swim area; they may use the North Beach area extending southward from the sand bar.

Boats and jet skis shall maintain low speeds not exceeding 5 MPH (no wake) until 300 feet from the beach areas, small boat dock, and launch ramp area.

A small boat dock is available approximately April – October. No running or littering is allowed on the small boat dock.

Member boats 32 ft in length or less may load, unload and/or moor at any dock at the North Beach small boat dock. Boats may use the designated load/unload area for a period of not more than one (1) hour.

Boats may only be docked at the North Beach boat dock in any location for a continuous period of no more than twenty-four (24) hours. The HMC Board of Directors may extend this time limit for extenuating circumstances. Boat trailers, vehicles, or motorhomes, may not be stored overnight at North Beach.

If you keep boats or kayaks at North Beach Park you do so at your own risk. Refer to the HMC Rules for small boat dock and kayak storage at North Beach Park. Kayaks may be stored in the kayak racks year-round.

Do not deposit household trash in the HMC trash cans at North Beach Park.

Do not dump your unwanted items with a "free" sign at North Beach Park, or any other HMC property.

Nature Park--An undeveloped area located on Yew, south of Maple; it has a small pond and lots of trees (no amenities). If there are wood chips next to the Nature Park driveway, they are

available free to any members or long-term renter. No motorized vehicles are permitted in the Nature Park except those necessary for maintenance/upkeep.
Please:
1. Supervise your young children playing in the parks.
2. Report any broken or unsafe equipment.
3. Do not litter.
4. Do not light fires in any HMC parks other than in the fire pit at North Beach Park.
5. Pick up your dog's waste and take it home for disposal. Do not discard in a portable toilet, or along the roadside or someone else's property.
With the exception of tansy, do not cut or take anything growing from any common area or park
Your membership dollars maintain the parks. Any misuse or destruction costs us all.
See HMC Rules and other policies for additional information and details.

October 10, 2020

Date

Signature on file in the HMC Office

President, HMC Board of Directors

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