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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 3, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 5 OF THE ORLAND PARK VILLAGE CODE REGARDING RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

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WHEREAS, the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Orland Park (the “Village”) have the authority to adopt ordinances and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government and affairs and to protect the public health, safety and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Village parks are not equipped to handle every kind and type of individual recreational pursuit, and park goers and users must follow rules to ensure the safety and enjoyment of the Village’s parks for all its citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens and residents of the Village that recreational activities in parks be regulated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Orland Park, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1:

The above recitals are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2:

Title 3, Chapter 1, Section 5 is amended by revising Subsection 3 thereof to provide as follows:

“3-1-5: RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES:

No person in a park shall:

1. Enter or attempt to enter ponds or waterways by walking, diving, swimming or by any other means;
2. Launch any boat, raft or other watercraft of any kind from Village property into any pond or lake, except on Lake Sedgewick at Centennial Park or when the launching is part of a regularly scheduled program of the Village.
3. Ice fish on any pond, lake or waterway which is under the jurisdiction of the Village except on Lake Sedgewick at Centennial Park during an established and supervised program of the Recreation and Park Department or as may be specifically authorized from time to time by the Village Board;
4. Operate a snowmobile, golf cart; or any other type of motorized vehicle including, but not limited to mini-bikes, go karts, motorcycles, dirt bikes, ATV’s and class 3 e-bikes;
5. Play or practice golf except when such conduct occurs during an established and supervised program of the Recreation and Park Department;

6. Camp or sleep overnight, except on a special written permit issued hereunder; or as a part of program scheduled by the Recreation and Parks Department.
7. Take part in or abet the playing of any games involving thrown or otherwise propelled objects such as stones, arrows, javelins, model airplanes, drones, or any other remote controlled object except in areas set apart for such forms of recreation;
8. Rollerskate on a tennis court or in a parking lot;
9. Play any game other than tennis, or pickleball on a tennis court; animals, except service animals are prohibited from being on any tennis court.
10. Hunt, trap or pursue wildlife at any time. No person shall use, carry, or possess firearms of any description, or air-rifles, spring guns, bow and arrows, slings or any other forms of weapons potentially inimical to wild life and dangerous to human safety, or any instrument that can be loaded with and fire blank cartridges or any kind of trapping device. Shooting into park areas from beyond park boundaries is forbidden;
11. Lead, ride or allow to be loose any horse, pony or riding animal except on a special written permit issued hereunder;
12. Bring or cause to be brought into the park system upon a regular basis, weekly or daily, any play class, day camp, which may conflict with regularly scheduled activities, except on a special written permit issued hereunder
13. To walk or allow dogs or other animals in a park or on a property owned by the Village of Orland Park unless it is under control by leash or other approved control methods. This provision does not apply to ‘seeing eye’ dogs aiding visually impaired persons or similarly trained dogs aiding handicap persons.

These rules shall be posted in Village Parks. In no event shall the absence of signage mean that any of the above activities are permitted. Each sign shall indicate that any and all use of Village Parks is regulated by Village Code, Title 3, Chapter 1, Public Parks and Playgrounds.

SECTION 3:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.