

KINGS LANDING PARK RULES

The laws of the State of Maryland and Calvert County including the Parks & Recreation Ordinance, Chapter 82 of the Calvert County Code shall apply to all activities in the park.

1. The following words have the meanings indicated:

- (a) "Division" means the Calvert County Natural Resources Division.
- (b) "Division Chief" means the Chief of the Division or designee.
- (c) "Director" means the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation or designee.
- (d) "Park" means Kings Landing Park.
- (e) "Facility" means a room, building, pavilion, pier or other space within Kings Landing Park.
- (f) "Permission" or "Permit" means written approval by the Division for a specific activity or use.

2. General

- (a) These rules and regulations are effective unless posted otherwise.
- (b) Park rules and regulations may be updated, amended or revised at any time and will become effective after they have been posted on the Division web site.
- (c) Copies of the park rules and regulations are available at the park offices.

3. Enforcement

- (a) A person found in violation of these rules and regulations shall be liable for all costs associated with the violation.

4. Park use and daily visitation

- (a) No smoking, vaping, or tobacco use is allowed on park property.
- (b) Visitors must stay on designated trails.
- (c) Swimming in the river is prohibited.
- (d) Alcohol is prohibited on park premises without a permit from the Director.
- (e) Archery is permitted at the archery range only.

5. Vehicles and bicycles

- (a) All vehicles, including bicycles, must obey posted speed limits.
- (b) Vehicle parking is allowed only in designated areas.
- (c) Bicycles are permitted on established roadways but prohibited on all trails.
- (d) Launching of motorboats is prohibited.
- (e) A person may not drive a boat trailer onto the beach.
- (f) The following do not apply to authorized vehicles owned by, operated by, or conducting business for the County:
 - i) A person may not wash vehicles in the park.
 - ii) Except in an emergency, a person may not lubricate, repair, or perform mechanical work on a vehicle.
 - iii) Off-Road Vehicles, dirt bikes, and minibikes are prohibited on trails.

6. Pets and domesticated animals

- (a) All pets must always be on a leash and restrained by the owner.
- (b) Electronic leashes are prohibited.
- (c) Owners must clean up after their animals.
- (d) All equestrian users must obtain a permit through the Division.

7. Camping

- (a) Camping is for youth groups by permit only.

8. Fishing and hunting

- (a) All State of Maryland fishing regulations apply.
- (b) Hunting is prohibited in the park.

9. Fires

- (a) Fires of any kind are prohibited except at designated fire pits or picnic grills.
- (b) Charcoal or gas grills are allowed only with a permit.
- (c) Each fire must be continuously under the care and direction of a person over 16 years old. Fires shall be completely extinguished before being left unattended.
- (d) The building of fires may be prohibited or limited by the Division Chief whenever in the Chief's judgement a potential fire hazard exists.

10. Wildlife and plants

- (a) Harassment, mutilation, cutting, removal, misuse, or damage/injury to any wild animal or plant is forbidden.
- (b) Cutting of live wood is prohibited.
- (c) A person may not release or plant any wildlife in the park.

11. Metal detectors and artifact collecting

- (a) Use of metal detectors within the park is prohibited.
- (b) A person may not dig in search of buried artifacts, relics or treasures.
- (c) Removal of artifacts from the park is forbidden except for fossils and shells found along the shoreline.

12. Trash, litter and recycling

- (a) All trash and recycling shall be disposed of in designated receptacles.

13. Deprivation of use and enjoyment

- (a) A person may not interfere with any County employee, or those authorized by the County or conducting County business, acting in the course of his or her official duties.
- (b) A person may not deprive others of reasonable use and enjoyment of the park or interfere with the public's right of free passage in the park.
- (c) A person shall not act in a disorderly manner including loud, riotous, boisterous, threatening, or indecent conduct or using abusive, threatening, profane, or indecent language.
- (d) The following pertain to sound amplification equipment:
 - i) A person may not use sound amplification equipment outside of a building except by permit.
 - ii) Sound levels, whether amplified or not, must be kept at a minimum to avoid disturbing other park visitors.

14. Groups and meetings

- (a) Organized gatherings of 30 or more individuals must obtain a permit or schedule a staff-led program.
- (b) Organized athletic activities are not allowed except with permission.
- (c) Groups with a permit may not grant use of a park facility to another group except with permission.
- (d) Group size may be reduced in certain facilities based on the park or facility capacity.

15. Profit-making activities

- (a) A person may not utilize the park for conducting private instruction or lessons for which a fee is charged.
- (b) For-profit business activities require the Director's permission.
- (c) A group permitted to use a park facility may not charge a fee to enter the park or facility.