

# Park Regulations: County of Ionia, Bertha Brock Park

**PLEASE READ ALL RULES BEFORE SIGNING RENTAL AGREEMENT**

## **Basic park rules**

1. Park hours for day use is 8:00 a.m. – Dusk
2. The speed limit within the park is **15 miles per hour**.
3. No motorized vehicles, bicycles or horses will be allowed off the road network inside the boundaries of this park.
4. Camping allowed only by permit. No day use in campground.
5. Camping is allowed for up to 15 consecutive nights. After the 15th night, you must leave the campground for a minimum of 10 consecutive days, and if you choose to return to the Bertha Brock Park Campground, you must rent a different site than the site previously rented.
6. No hunting allowed within this park at any time.
7. All State of Michigan and Federal laws apply for guns within the park. Discharge of firearms is unlawful.
8. Dogs **MUST** be leashed at **ALL** times and cleaned up after.
9. **NO** Animals can be left unattended, including being locked in a tent, car or camper.
10. Small fires may be built only in stoves, fireplaces and fire rings when camping provided in the park.
11. Persons apprehended for damage to buildings, signs, trees, shrubs or other park property or reckless driving will be prosecuted.
12. No person shall offer for sale any merchandise without a written permit.
13. Place all refuse in the barrels provided. Your cooperation is solicited to help us keep the park clean. Littering fines will be issued for excessive clean up.
14. Take nothing but pictures, leave nothing but footprints.
15. Persons using this park must respect the rights of others.
16. A section of the park may be reserved upon application. For reservations, please contact the Park Manager at (616) 522-PARK.
17. **NO** fireworks or confetti at any time.
18. Enjoy your visit and come back soon!

## **Park and Facility Use: Terms and Conditions:**

1. Your approved reservation form must be retained at all times by user group and presented to the Park Manager or County Official upon request.
2. Outdoor reservations are good from 8:00 a.m. to **Dusk** only for the date(s) shown. There are no rain dates or refunds for any natural occurrences. (ie: mosquitoes)
3. The user group is responsible for leaving park facilities clean and orderly.
4. No sound systems, speakers, DJ's, etc., outside of buildings. Noise level must remain at a reasonable level inside buildings and not disturb others in park.

**5. We do urge you to use signs to direct your guest(s) to your reserved area. Signs MUST be free standing with stakes and can NOT be attached to any park signs, structures, or trees.**

**OVER**

## **Palmer Lodge: (This is a historic building, please help prevent damage.)**

1. Parking is only allowed in the Palmer Lodge parking lot and the overflow gravel lot.
2. **The use of nails and staples are prohibited in the Lodge and rest rooms.**
3. You **MUST** provide your own bags for all trash which, when bagged, may be in the barrels provided. Overflow trash may be placed in the dumpster in front of the park.
4. A lean-to is provided where firewood may be stacked. If your firewood does not fit under the lean-to, PLEASE stack it in one of the grassy areas. Firewood should NEVER be stacked on sidewalks or on the landscaping stone.
5. **NO VEHICLES** may be driven on sidewalks at any time.
6. Fires/candles cannot be left unattended and a drip catch shall be used with candles.
7. The picnic tables inside the Lodge **MUST** remain inside the Lodge at all times. No outdoor picnic tables may be placed inside the Lodge in order to prevent damage to the Lodge when moving them in and out.
8. It is expected that you will clean the Lodge after your rental and return it to the condition in which it was found. This includes sweeping of balconies, stairwells, and main floor areas. All tables should be returned to their original location. Fireplace ash/coals can remain, as we will clean them after they cool.
9. Failure to comply with these rules will result in FORFEITURE OF YOUR DEPOSIT.

## **Pavilion rentals:**

1. Due to increasing cleaning costs, the following items are **NOT permitted:** Nails, Staples, Confetti, Piñatas, Raw eggs, Sawdust, Silly string, paints, and water balloons.
2. Park visitors are reminded that food is litter as such, please be sure to place food in the trash barrels provided.
3. A mounted ashtray is provided at each pavilion. Please be sure to place all cigarette butts in them. Cigarette butts ARE litter.
4. You may move tables if needed, however, you **MUST** return tables to their original position.

5. It is expected that you will clean the pavilion after your rental and return it to the condition in which it was found . Charcoal grill coals can remain, we will clean them after they cool.
6. Failure to comply with these rules WILL result in the assessment of cleaning fees.

## Camping:

1. Camping is first come, first serve on numbered sites only.
2. Two tents or recreational units and two cars **maximum** per site (per DEQ law)
3. Check out or re-register is by 1:00pm.
4. Maximum 8 persons per site.
5. Camping registration is located at the toll booth at the entrance of the park along with rules.
6. We offer only “rustic” camping. There are no water hookups or electricity.
7. Quiet time/visitors leave – 10:00 p.m.
8. No fireworks allowed at any time.

Questions please call the park office at 616-522-7275  
[berthabrock@outlook.com](mailto:berthabrock@outlook.com)

Park rules are posted at the entrance of the park. You and your guests are expected to abide by these rules during your rental.

Please enjoy your visit!

Thank you.