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GASTON COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITY RENTAL POLICIES & RULES

- 1. Facilities may be rented by persons 18 years of age or older.
- 2. Concessions may not be sold at any facility without prior approval of Gaston County Parks and Recreation and the Gaston County Health Department. Food vendors will be subject to fees from Parks and Recreation and the Health Department.
- 3. Sales of goods and merchandise are prohibited at Gaston County facilities except with a special written permit from Parks and Recreation.
- 4. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in any Gaston County Parks and Recreation facilities without prior approval.
- 5. Amplified music and sound is not allowed in Gaston County facilities except without prior written approval by Gaston County Parks and Recreation.
- 6. Charcoal grills are provided at each picnic shelter. Use of personal grills, cookers, or fryers is permitted with prior written approval from Gaston County Parks and Recreation.
- 7. Personal recreation equipment such as pools and water slides and third party rentals including amusement rides, dunking booths, inflatables, and bounce houses are not permitted with facility rentals. Gaston County Parks and Recreation may approve third party rentals with park special events. Special event organizers will be required to submit applications, provide proper insurance, and provide a detailed plan for control and supervision of the equipment. Approved special events will receive a written permit which must be displayed during the event.
- 8. All motor vehicles must be parked in designated parking areas in County parks.
- 9. Groups reserving County facilities are not permitted to disturb or interfere with any person or group using another area of the park.
- 10. All decorations at park facilities must be immediately removed after the event. No screws, bolts, or nails shall be placed in walls, floors, or fixtures. Any tape, confetti, balloons, glitter, or other items left at the facility or on park grounds may result in a cleaning and/or damage fee for facility users.
- 11. Picnic tables, benches, and other park amenities may not be moved without prior written permission from the Parks and Recreation Department.
- 12. All facility reservations for the next calendar year will not be accepted before December 15 of the current year.
- 13. Facilities are used by reservation and payments are due within 10 business days of making reservation or the reservation may be cancelled. Facility users will receive a written confirmation form which must be brought with you to the park during your facility reservation. All reservations are final and no rain dates or refunds will be issued.
- 14. All reservations are subject to cancellation due to unforeseen circumstances or maintenance issues. If the reservation is cancelled by Parks and Recreation, the person making the reservation will be offered another date or provided with a full refund.

For a complete list of rules, please see the Ordinance Regulating Use of Gaston County Parks and Recreation sites at http://www.gastongov.com/departments/parks-recreation/ordinance.