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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Lower Salford as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

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The Board of Supervisors of Lower Salford Township hereby establishes the following rules and regulations which shall be applicable to all Township parks, recreation areas and Township-owned open space areas in Lower Salford Township.

- A. The Township parks are open to all Township residents and guests from sunup to sundown throughout the year, except for special events authorized by the Park Board. **[Amended 5-6-2009 by Ord. No. 2009-2]**
- B. Use of the open space facilities by organized or other groups of 10 or more persons shall be scheduled in advance at the Township Office.
- C. The following are prohibited: **[Amended 5-20-1993 by Res. No. 93-18; 6-1-1994 by Res. No. 94-10; 5-6-2009 by Ord. No. 2009-2]**
 - (1) Possession or use of alcoholic beverages.
 - (2) Boisterous, immoral or indecent conduct.
 - (3) Discarding of trash, garbage or other litter except in containers provided for that purpose.
 - (4) Damaging, defacing, destroying or removing Township-owned signs, property, structures, equipment, trees, shrubs or other material.

- (5) Planting, cutting, digging and/or removal of plant material (e.g., trees, shrubs, crops, ground cover, etc.) except upon receipt of a permit from the Park Board.
 - (6) Operating, stopping or parking of any motor vehicle except on designated roads or parking areas. Working authorized farm vehicles and Township maintenance equipment are excepted.
 - (7) Operating any motor vehicle on a park road or parking lot in a reckless or negligent manner or in such a manner as to become a nuisance to other park users. Operating a minibike, snowmobile or other similar recreational vehicle anywhere in a Township park, recreation area or Township-owned open space area.
 - (8) Discharging any type of firearm.
 - (9) Possession or use of fireworks.
 - (10) Possession or use of archery equipment.
 - (11) All fires, except cooking fires in fireplaces, grills or other equipment furnished for cooking purposes in designated areas when under adult supervision. All open burning unless a special permit is granted by the Township Fire Marshal. All such fires must be completely extinguished before leaving.
 - (12) Playing or practicing golf anywhere on parks, playgrounds, or open space areas.
 - (13) Geocaching in parks, playgrounds, or open space areas.
 - (14) Paintball in parks, playgrounds, or open space areas.
 - (15) Vehicle repairs or maintenance of any type.
 - (16) Disturbance of birds' nests, eggs or any other wildlife or wildlife habitat.
 - (17) Erection of any temporary or permanent structure, such as tree houses, platforms, or clubhouses.
 - (18) All dogs must be under control and may not be allowed to run at large.
 - (19) Trapping, except upon receipt of a permit from the Park Board.
 - (20) Swimming, boating and use of flotation devices on any Township-owned pond.
 - (21) Depositing household waste in the trash containers throughout the open space area.
- D. Public use of those portions of the open space facilities that are leased by the Township to tenants is limited and shall in no way result in injury to crops, livestock, fences and/or buildings and shall not inconvenience in any manner the tenants in their legal activities.
- E. Camping and provision of auxiliary facilities (e.g., latrines) shall be limited to approved sites.
- F. Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this article shall be subject to a criminal fine not to exceed \$1,000 per violation plus restitution for damages done and

imprisonment in the Montgomery County Correctional Facility to the extent allowed by law for the punishment of summary offenses. Enforcement of any such violations shall be by action brought before a District Justice in the same manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure. [Amended 8-4-1982 by Ord. No. 82-8; 9-19-1996 by Ord. No. 96-3; 6-3-1998 by Ord. No. 98-4; 11-18-1999 by Ord. No. 99-16]