

## Park & Playground Rules & Regulations

### Town Wide

- Gathering in public parks and playgrounds between dusk and dawn is not allowed.
- Any unauthorized motor vehicle in any park or playground between dusk & dawn shall be towed at the owner's expense.

### The following are not permitted: anytime:

- Damage, injury, defacement, or destruction of any property, including but not limited to any tree, shrub, plant, rock, building, cage, pen, monument, fountain, flag, poles, lawn, fence, bench, or artifact.
- To litter, deposit trash or debris or any other materials, except within proper waster containers.
- To remove any bench or any other municipal item.
- To operate or drive any motor vehicle upon any part of the park except designated roads or parking areas.
- To start fires on any property.
- To allow a dog in any park or playground unless the person having control of the dog has it on a leash. No person shall allow their dog on play areas, playfields, courts, pools, or any other structure. All persons in control of a dog are responsible for removal of dog feces.
- To fish or hunt on any park property, except at such places and times as shall be authorized.
- To erect or maintain a tent, shelter, camp, or other structure in any park without the prior written consent of the parks & recreation department.
- To disobey any legal request or order of the Police, or any agent or employee of the Town of Clinton.
- To use or possess a firearm, explosive device, bow & arrow, blowgun, sling shot, B.B. gun, paintball gun, spear or trap, or any other such device.
- To possess or consume alcohol unless permitted in accordance with a permit issued by the Town of Clinton.



This is just a partial list of rules, more details and all rules and policies can be found online at:

[www.clintonrec.com](http://www.clintonrec.com)



## Park Watch Program

Report any suspicious activity to the Clinton Police Department  
978-365-4111  
or **911** for emergencies

For more information about the park watch program contact:

Clinton Parks & Recreation

560 High Street  
Clinton, MA 01510  
Office—(978) 365-4140  
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*“Let us ALL work together to help keep our parks and playgrounds safe and fun for everyone”*



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# Join our Park Watch Program!



## What is the Park Watch Program?

Park Watch is a partnership between the Clinton Parks & Recreation Department, Police Department, and town residents. All three groups work together in an effort to:

- help prevent crime and vandalism to our playgrounds and park equipment
- to alleviate suspicious activity in our parks
- to assist in the enforcement of rules for each park
- to promote community involvement and positive atmosphere

Park Watch provides residents guidelines to follow when reporting suspicious activity, helping us to keep our parks and playgrounds safe and enjoyable year round.

**We invite you to join our new Park Watch Program today!**



## What can you do?

While visiting any of our parks and playgrounds, residents are asked to be on the alert for all incidents of vandalism, unruliness and other obvious wrongful activities including:

- Misuse of playground equipment
- ATV or 4x4 vehicles on park property
- Defacement of park property
- Broken and unsafe equipment
- Alcohol or substance abuse in the park
- Unauthorized fires
- Fighting or harassment
- Destruction of natural resources
- Littering or garbage dumping
- Violation of park closing hours



If you see any broken equipment, vandalized facilities, or suspicious activity contact the following:

**For suspicious activities or unlawful activities call:**

**Clinton Police Department**

Emergency: **911**

Non-emergency 24 hr. number: (978) 365-4111

**For reporting vandalism or unsafe equipment call:**

**Clinton Parks & Recreation Department**

(978) 365-4140 (M-F 8:00–5:00 pm)

## Be Cautious!



If you do observe someone breaking park rules, committing a crime, or engaging in other illegal activities, **DO NOT** attempt to take action yourself. This is a job for proper authorities. You should note the location of the incident, describe those involved, if possible snap a photo with a camera or cell phone, record license plate number or suspicious vehicle and report the incident. Please remember, **DO NOT** take matters into your own hands!

## Benefits of the Park Watch Program!

- Prevents incidents of vandalism, crime, and misuse of park property
- Reduces repair and restoration cost for equipment and facilities
- Helps makes our parks a safe haven for children and adults to play and learn
- Creates community pride as everyone works together to ensure safe, clean and enjoyable parks.
- Teaches children to be observant and responsible park patrons
- Brings awareness to activities taking place in our parks and playgrounds.

IT STARTS IN  
**PARKS**  
Coaching. Connecting. Community.