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## Parks & Facilities

The Germantown Park and Recreation Department maintains 9 parks with 400 acres and hundreds of boulevard trees in the village.

### Dogs in Parks

- Dogs are allowed in all parks and parkways. Dogs MUST be on a leash under control of the person walking the dog. [Reference Ordinance 21.09](#)

### Facility Rentals

- The Germantown Park and Recreation Department's facilities and outdoor shelters might be the perfect spot for your upcoming event. The shelters/facilities are available to rent from May 1 - October 31. The only year round rental is the Kinderberg Park shelter.
- A 5.6% sales tax is added to all rental fees and a \$100.00 security/cleaning deposit is required. It is the responsibility of the renter to return the shelter to pre-rental condition. Should cleaning not be completed following your rental, you will forfeit your \$100.00 security/cleaning deposit, and Germantown Park and Recreation will assess a \$50.00 per hour fee for the time needed to clean the facility.
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## 21.09 ANIMALS IN PARKS.

- (1) **PROHIBITED.** (Am. Ord. #48-89) No animal, except those placed in the park or parkways by the authority of the Commission, shall be conducted into or allowed to remain within the parks and parkways. The Commission shall cause signs to be posted in areas where dogs are not permitted.
- (2) **EXCEPTIONS.**
  - (a) Reserved. (Rep. Ord. #48-89)
  - (b) (Am. Ord. #11-04)
    1. Horses. Horses shall be permitted in the parks and parkways when saddled or harnessed and used for riding or pleasure. Such horses shall be ridden only on roadways or paths designated for such use.
    2. Police Animals. Animals used to conduct police investigations or police business shall be permitted in the parks and parkways.
    3. Handicap Assistance Animals. Bona fide handicap assistance animals (e.g., seeing-eye dogs), which at the time of their presence in parks and parkways are used to assist people with handicaps, shall be permitted in the parks and parkways.
  - (c) In parks and parkways, or areas therein, wherein animals are not prohibited by posted signage, dogs shall be permitted, provided any such dog is on a leash of sufficient strength so that the person in charge of the dog may exercise control or otherwise restrict said dog's movement. (Cr. Ord. #10-07; Am. Ord. #2-12)
- (3) **ANIMAL DROPPINGS.** The owner of any animal shall be responsible for removing all droppings from any park area.
- (4) **PENALTIES.** (Am. Ord. #43-98) Any person who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be subject to a penalty as provided in section 25.04 of this Code. The provisions of subsection (1) above shall not apply to a person who is visually or physically handicapped.

## 21.10 HORSEBACK RIDING REGULATED.

Horseback riders in any park or parkway shall comply with the following regulations:

- (1) No person shall ride a horse except upon designated roadways and bridle paths.
- (2) No person shall ride a horse after dark or before daybreak.
- (3) Pedestrians shall have the right of way when crossing a bridle path and, whenever people are within 300 feet, horses shall be ridden at a slow gait.
- (4) Every rider shall comply with all Commission rules and signs along the bridle paths.
- (5) Horses shall be ridden in a reasonable and prudent manner at all times, and no racing shall be allowed.