

SKATE BOARD PARK ORDINANCE

§ 93.70 Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to comply with Health and Safety Code Section 115800 that requires skate park operations to adopt an ordinance requiring persons riding skateboards, in-line skates, and other self-propelled wheeled apparatus at the facility to wear a helmet, elbow pads and knee pads.

§ 93.71 Definitions

The following definitions apply to the provisions of this chapter:

“Skateboard” means a mechanism with wheels that are fastened to a platform commonly constructed to accommodate a standing person. Skateboards are normally propelled by the operator pushing off the ground with one foot, or by the force of gravity. “Skates” mean any footwear device which may be attached to the foot or footwear, to may be used to aid the wearer in moving or propulsion, including in-line skates, roller blades and roller skates.

§ 93.72 Helmet, elbows pads and knee pads required.

It is prohibited for any person to ride skateboards, in-line skates, or other similar devices in the skate park unless that person is wearing a helmet, elbow pads and knee pads

§ 93.73 Posting of signs at Skate Park.

Signs shall be posted at the skate park giving notice that any person riding a skateboard, in-line skates, or similar devices, must wear a helmet, elbow pads and knee pads, and that any person failing to do so will be subject to citation and prohibition of use of the facilities for one year. Signs shall also be posted setting rules for use of the skate park as set from time to time by resolution, and violation thereof will be subject to citation.

§ 93.74 Regulations of use and rules of conduct.

Any person using the skate park shall comply with the following rules and regulations:

- A. The hours of use of the skate park shall be established by City Council and shall be posted at the Skate Park. Use of the park at any time outside the hours posted is prohibited.
- B. While skating or skateboarding, the participant may only use those areas designated for skateboarding or related skating activities.
- C. While using the facility, the participant must use personal safety equipment comprised of at least head, knee and elbow protection.
- D. No food or drink is allowed in the designated skate area.
- E. No moveable obstacles or materials (i.e. ramps/jumps) are allowed in the

- park.
- F. Bicycling is prohibited within the skate area.
 - G. Stunt, trick or luge skateboarding is limited to persons 12 years of age or older.
 - H. Placing of graffiti anywhere in or on the park is prohibited and the park will be closed until the graffiti is removed and/or repaired. In addition to other penalties provided herein, any person putting graffiti on any part of the skate park shall pay for the cost of removal and damages thereof. Parents or guardians are also liable for such costs. (H. & S. Code § 1714.1(b))
 - I. Personal conduct and behavior: The following are prohibited in the park area at all times:
 - 1. Possession or use of drugs or alcohol or being under the influence;
 - 2. Fighting or other violence;
 - 3. Possession or use of firearms, knives, or other weapons of any kind;
 - 4. Smoking or use of tobacco products;
 - 5. No amplified music or other excessive noise;
 - 6. No excessive profanity.
 - J. Everyone shall treat others with respect and courtesy.

§ 93.75 Penalties

The violation of this chapter shall be deemed an infraction for a first offense and punishable by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50) for a first violation. Second and subsequent offenses within one year may be prosecuted as an infraction or misdemeanor. A second infraction within a year may be punishable by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100), and a third or further infraction within a year may be punishable by a fine not exceeding two hundred fifty dollars (\$250). Additionally, any person found by a preponderance of the evidence to have violated any provision of this chapter may lose his or her privilege to use the skate park facility for up to one year.

Fines under this chapter shall be administered pursuant to the administrative citation process set out in the Eureka Municipal Code, Chapter 10, sections 10.35 – 10.99.