

ORDINANCE NO. 719

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE SCAPPOOSE SKATE PARK; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

The City of Scappoose ordains as follows:

Section 1. Purpose and Applicability.

(a) The purpose of this ordinance is to establish regulations for the safe use of the Scappoose Skate Park.

(b) These regulations shall apply only to activities within the confines of the Scappoose Skate Park and to persons using the park.

Section 2. Definitions. For purposes of this ordinance, the Scappoose Skate Park (hereinafter referred to as the "Skate Park") shall mean that certain public skate park, and the area of public property within the immediate vicinity thereof, located at the northeastern edge of Heritage Park in the City of Scappoose.

Section 3. Prohibited Activities. The following regulations shall apply within the Skate Park:

(a) Only skateboards and roller skates or roller blades are allowed to be used. Bicycles, motorcycles, scooters and motorized vehicles are prohibited.

(b) No person under the age of eight (8) years may use the Skate Park without adult or parental supervision, and no person responsible for a person under the age of eight (8) years shall knowingly permit such use.

(c) The Skate Park shall constitute a drug and alcohol free zone. No person shall possess, use, sell or furnish unlawful drugs or substances, as defined by the Scappoose Code or state law, within the Skate Park.

(d) No person shall play or allow to be played music or other recording at a level which is or may be reasonably annoying to other Skate Park users.

(e) No person shall damage, deface, litter, or otherwise alter the appearance of the Skate Park or any property or facilities therein.

(f) No person, other than the users, shall be allowed within the confines of the skate park or using the facility in a manner in which the park was designed to be used.

(g) No person shall use the Skate Park in a manner which is unsafe, physically intimidating, which places others at risk of physical harm, or which interferes unreasonably with the safe and enjoyable use of others.

(h) No person shall use vulgar or obscene language within the Skate Park.

Section 4. Hours of Operation. The Skate Park shall be open at 7 a.m. and close at 9 p.m. No person shall use the Skate Park at anytime after closing and before opening.

Section 5. Users at Park. Persons shall use the Skate Park only at their own risk of injury to themselves and others. Users shall be deemed to have intentionally and voluntarily released the City of Scappoose, its officers and employees from any liability for damage or injury to person or property other than such damage or injury proximately caused by acts of the City, its officers and employees beyond the generally accepted risks of damage or injury inherent in use of such a facility.

Section 6. Emergencies. In case of personal injury to any user or damage to the facility which may cause such injury, users of the Skate Park shall immediately notify the city or health service providers by calling 911 using the outdoor phone at the north entrance of City Hall abutting the park.

Section 7. Enforcement. Any police officer of the City may issue a municipal court citation to any violator of this ordinance. Any person found to have violated any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a violation punishable by a fine determined by the court not less than \$50.00 plus court assessments, nor more than \$250.00 plus court assessments. Assessments shall be charged by the court in the amount of 15 percent of the established fine to reimburse the City for costs of enforcement.

Section 8. Emergency Clause. Because these regulations are immediately necessary to preserve the health and safety of users of the Skate Park, an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance shall take effect upon passage by the Council and signature by the Mayor.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the council and approved by the mayor this 4th day of June, 2002, and signed by me in authentication of its passage.

CITY OF SCAPPOOSE, OREGON


Glenn E. Dorschler, Mayor

First Reading: June 4, 2002

Second Reading: June 4, 2002

Attest: 
Debi G. Schmit, City Recorder

