

Claude Moore Park Rules and Regulations

Claude Moore Park Natural and Historic Areas are open from 7 AM until Sunset Daily Closing time is posted at the entrance gates The Visitor Center is open 9 AM to 5 PM Daily

Check with the Farm Museum 571-258-3800, Recreation Center 571-258-3600, and Community Center 571-258-3500 for their facility hours

Claude Moore Park contains a blend of natural habitats, historic areas, passive and active recreation, and educational opportunities. Please follow the rules and regulations and have a safe and enjoyable visit, while protecting our resources for the future.

The Speed Limit is **10 MPH** on the Old Vestal's Gap Road driveway, on Loudoun Park Lane near the ballfields, Recreation and Community Centers, and on Heritage Farm Lane . The Loudoun Park Lane entrance road is 25 MPH between Cascades Pkwy and the first stop sign. Please stop at all stop signs.

Please park in designated parking areas only. Private and commercial vehicles are not permitted in the historic area.

Alcoholic Beverages are prohibited.

Pets are welcome in most areas of the Park. They MUST BE KEPT ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES. Please clean up after your pet. Pets are not permitted in the ponds. Pets are NOT permitted on athletic fields, within the Sportsplex area, or in the Community Center Playground.

Claude Moore Park is a TRASH FREE PARK; Pack It In - Pack It Out. Dumpsters are located across the parking lot from the Visitor Center and in the baseball and football field parking lots. Recycling cans are provided in several locations.

Bicycles are permitted on the paved and gravel roads within the Park. Bicycles are not permitted on Park hiking trails or grassy areas. Unlicensed motorcycle, trail bike, minibike, go-cart or similar motorized vehicles are not permitted in the Park (Ordinance 1092.09).

Fishing is permitted in the open areas of our two largest ponds. Fishing is not permitted from the dams. Creel limits are posted. An adult must supervise children 12 and younger. Anyone 16 and older must hold a valid Virginia Fishing License. www.dgif.virginia.gov/licenses Wading is not permitted.

Natural Resources are protected. Do not disturb animal or plant life in any way. Collecting of any kind is prohibited (including plants, leaves, wildflowers, nuts, berries, insects, rocks, artifacts, etc.) Please leave feathers and bones where you find them. They have a story to tell others when left in their natural setting.

DO NOT FEED ANY WILDLIFE. Geese and ducks should eat only their natural food found in and around the pond. "People food" makes them weak and unhealthy and more susceptible to diseases. Handouts from people cause the wildfowl to become very aggressive and to harass guests in our Pavilions. They may lose their natural fear of humans and become easy victims of vandals or hunters (geese and ducks fly to many different ponds – some where hunting is legal).

IT IS ILLEGAL TO RELEASE any animals, wild or domestic, into the Park.

Please do not bring balloons into the Park; they are lethal to Park wildlife.

Historic Resources are protected. Metal detectors are not permitted. Collection of artifacts is illegal. Do not damage, deface, or remove any structures, furnishings, or exhibits.

For your safety and the protection of the resources, please stay on established trails. Poison ivy is well-established and yellow jackets nest in the ground in off-trail areas. Ticks and chiggers are common in natural areas. Check yourself after any outdoor activity.

Charcoal grills are available in most park picnic areas and at both Pavilions. Please do not bring charcoal grills into the park. The campfire ring is for staff-led programs only.

Smoking is not permitted in Park buildings.

Ice skating or walking on frozen ponds is prohibited.

Park staff must be notified in the event of an accident or incident or if the Sheriff, Fire Department or Rescue Squad is called to the Park for any reason.

To protect the resources and safety of our visitors, the following are Prohibited at All Times:

Fireworks	Boating		
Horses	Hitting Golf Balls		
Hunting	Metal Detecting		
Bows and Arrows, Sling Shots	Powered Model Airplanes, Helicopters,		
	Vehicles, and Boats		
Animal Traps	Model Rockets		
Water Cannons	Motorbikes and ATV's		
Swimming & Wading in Ponds & Streams	Collection of any Natural Resources or		
	Historic Artifacts		