Park Use Rules and Regulations

Hours of Operation
5 Am to 11 PM daily, City Parks close at 11 PM

The City of Canon owns and operates two types of parks and jointly manages trails with the Recreation District:

- City Parks located within City limits
- Mountain Parks located outside City limits
- Trails both inside and outside City limits

Prohibitions in City and Mountain Parks:

- Vehicles for hire or solicitation
- Games of chance
- Sale of articles
- Carry into or across or discharge firearms
- Post any bills or notices
- Hunting or molestation of any wildlife
- Remove or cut any trees, shrubs or flowers
- Remove any dead or down trees or timber without a permit
- Have in possession or consume or sell any alcoholic beverages without the express permission of City Council and issuance of a permit from the City Clerk
- Leave any unattended campfire unextinguished
- Conduct any commercial operation without the express permission of City Council
- Camping without the express permission of the City Administrator
- Excavating or removing soils or gravel
- Skating, skateboarding, bicycling or roller hockey on tennis courts
- Vehicles of any type on turf grass or playgrounds

Rules Pertaining to Mountain Parks (Royal Gorge, Red Canyon, Temple Canyon Parks)

- Overnight camping is limited to 72 hours once every two weeks. Extensions may be given by calling the Park Department at (719)269-9028
- All open fires must be contained in campfire rings that are provided by the City
- Camping is limited to designated camp sites in designated campgrounds only
- The City may limit or ban open fires during high or extreme wildfire conditions
- Throwing, rolling or launching any item from the canyon walls of mountain parks is prohibited
- Parachuting, skydiving, hang gliding or any other form of restrained or unrestrained form of ascent or decent including from the Royal Gorge Bridge or any other improvement in any mountain park
- No person, except a peace officer, shall carry any firearm into or across any mountain park
  Unless a special permit is obtained from the City Administrator (Municipal Code 9.44.090)
- Trapping and hunting are prohibited in mountain parks, unless a special permit is obtained from the City Administrator (Municipal Code 9.44.100)
- Vehicles including OHV’s, motorcycles, 4 x 4’s are prohibited from being operated anywhere in any park except on established roads or trails specifically designated and marked for such use

**Park Use Permits Required For Reservation of Specific Facilities or Parks:**

Any individual, group, organization, association or business (sponsor) that would like to reserve a specific facility in a City owned park for an activity or function may do so by completing the “PARK USE PERMIT” form attached and submitting it to the City Administrator’s Office a minimum of 30 days in advance of the proposed activity. Requests for activities that require reservation of a large portion of a park for a community-wide event should be submitted 60 to 180 days in advance so appropriate review of applicable laws and regulations may be reviewed by City staff and City Council.