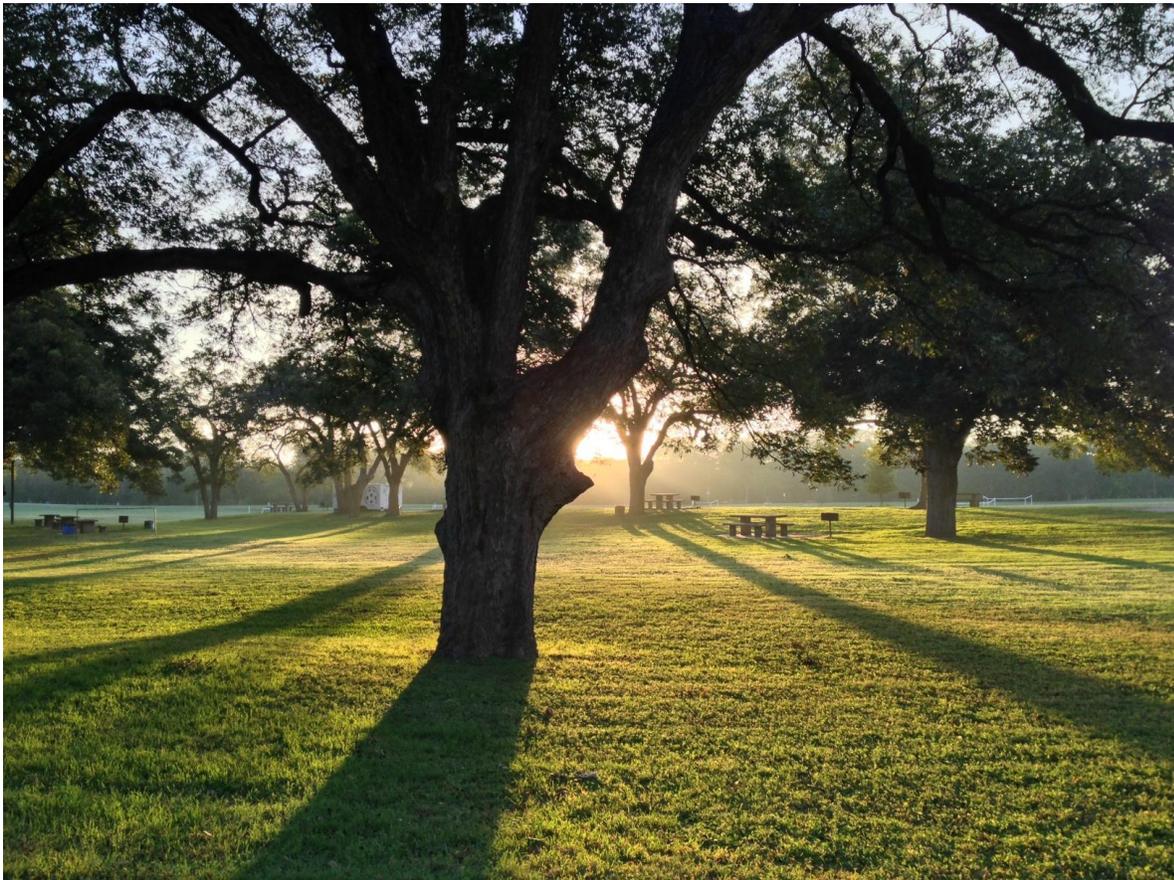


Castroville
Regional Park
816 Alsace Street
Castroville, TX 78009



Regulations - Rules -
Guidelines

Adopted by Ordinance No. 2018-003, December 12, 2017

WELCOME TO THE CASTROVILLE REGIONAL PARK

DATES OF OPERATION:

Summer: April 1 – September 30

Winter: October 1 – March 31

Quiet Time in the entire park is to be from 10:00 pm to 6:00 am.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Summer: 5:00 am - 10:00 pm daily

Winter: 6:00 am - 9:00 pm daily

Note: Gates to lower park will be opened to vehicular traffic at **approx.** 7:30 am and closed at dusk.

EXCEPTIONS TO ABOVE:

Persons with a valid camping receipt

Special City-approved activities and events

In the interest of public safety, it may be necessary to close the Entire Park, or portions of the park, without notice.

PARK FEES: (See Exceptions)

\$5.00 per picnic table. Payment envelopes are available at the Information Center, from the Park Ranger and/or from the RV Park Host.

There is no fee for recreational use only of this park (playgrounds, sports fields, courts, walking, jogging, fishing, bird watching, etc.)

PARK USE FEES:

The fees for various uses of the city parks, recreational areas and other public open spaces and facilities are found in the city's fee ordinance, which is on file at City Hall or on the Web Site <http://www.castrovilletx.gov>

EXCEPTIONS:

SCHOOL GROUPS and SCOUT TROOPS:

Except during special holidays (see page 2), and/or during Special Events, public or private school groups in the Medina Valley School District, AND Medina County Boy and/or Girl Scout Troops, will be permitted to reserve the above facilities on weekdays without charge, provided they have submitted a Group Facilities Reservation Form in advance, and provided that the Area or Pavilion is not already reserved.

Out-of-district school groups, and out-of-county scout troops will be subject to regular rates and must follow regular reservation procedures.

Note 1: If Pavilions have not been reserved through City Hall, they are available on a first come-first served, basis at same cost as above. If Group picnic "Areas" have not been reserved through City Hall, the individual tables contained therein become available on a first come-first served basis at the regular rate of \$5.00 each. Use table fee envelopes to pay if Park Ranger is not on site.

Note 2: Park management is permitted to deviate from fee schedule when justified by an emergency or other unusual circumstance. The emergency or circumstance must be documented as to date, time, reason, and initialed.

Note 3: Reserved areas/pavilions are not guaranteed to be ready prior to 9:00 am,

PARK REGULATIONS

(ORDINANCE No. 2018-003 Section 82-27. – Park Regulations.)

- Vending of any kind is prohibited except under the umbrella of a “Special Event” or sponsored by the City of Castroville or the Friends of the Castroville Regional Park to benefit the park.
- The possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages, shall be regulated pursuant to City Code of Ordinances Section 6.2 (entitled “sale, possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages in city park”).
- Pets are permitted ONLY if on a leash and owners are responsible for disposing of pet excrement.
- Motor vehicles shall yield the right-of-way to bicycles and bicycles shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians.
- Go-carts, four wheelers, golf carts, off-road motorcycles, and similar non-licensed motorized vehicles are prohibited in the park, unless authorized for handicapped access to park facilities.
- No vehicles of any kind are allowed on the soccer fields or in/on any non-roadway, or “green” space, except by special permission of the Park Manager.
- The possession or use of fireworks are prohibited in the park, except when authorized by the City Administrator for special events.
- Fishing is permitted in the Medina River, provided all state laws regulating fishing are observed.
- Open (on the ground) campfires are prohibited in the park. Contained fires are permitted only in BBQ Pits, Fire Rings, or Brick Pits, so long as such fires are not left unattended. Fires are to be completely extinguished before leaving. Portable gas, charcoal, and oil camp stoves may be used if in a safe operating condition
- Hunting in the park is prohibited. *Definition. “Hunting” includes take, kill, pursue, trap and the attempt to take, kill or trap a wild or domestic animal.*
- The possession of air guns, paintball guns, or similar instrumentality in a park is prohibited.
- Livestock is prohibited in the park, except as approved by the City Administrator. (*see Special Events*)
- All persons shall comply with any/all signs and/or markers installed by the City of Castroville and/or Parks Department (i.e. one-way, do not enter, no parking, etc.)
- Historic Cemetery is protected. No person shall enter or, in any manner, disturb, deface, or desecrate the historic cemetery located in the park.
- The disturbance or removal of soil, stones, rocks, plants, or other material natural to the park, or the making of any excavation in the park, or the removal of tree bark, or damage or harming of trees is prohibited.
- Climbing trees in the park is prohibited.
- Climbing over, under, up or through any fence or buildings in the park is prohibited.
- Metal detectors may not be used on park property unless approved by Park Superintendent.
- Commercial harvesting of pecans in the park is prohibited, except by order of City Council.
- Excessive noise, as well as abusive, threatening, boisterous, vile, obscene or indecent language, gestures and/or disorderly conduct is prohibited.
- Littering is not permitted. All trash must be placed in a trash container. Extra trash bags will be available from the Park Manager or Park Rangers.
- Dumpsters in the park may only be used for refuse generated from within the park and the placement of any commercial or household trash or refuse in a park dumpster is prohibited.
- Portable generators are not permitted without special permission from the City Administrator.

Guidelines for the Park

- For safety reason, there will be no extension cords allowed in the parks.
- Glass containers are not permitted in the park.
- Minor children must be supervised by a responsible adult and parents or guardians will be responsible for the actions of their children.
- Wading, Swimming or Diving in River is at your own risk, **there are no lifeguards on duty.**
- Jumping castle “inflatables” for children’s parties are permitted only when an Area or a Pavilion has been reserved, **AND** a notarized Release and Indemnification Agreement Form has been submitted and approved. (Note: Form is available from City Hall Reservation Staff)

CASTROVILLE REGIONAL PARK SWIMMING POOL

Pool Season will begin the first weekend in May. Season Swim and Fitness Passes are available for purchase and registration is open for the Castroville Pool Learn to Swim program and Swim Camp. To register for Learn to Swim, Swim Camp or to purchase a season pass: Registration for Swim Programs start April 1

- Complete the registration form that is available at City Hall or online.
- Submit the registration form to City Hall with your cash or check payment or pay online. If paying by credit card, please write the payment confirmation number on the registration form and return the form to City Hall.

Official Pool Hours:

Please note that pool hours are subject to change. For more information please call (830) 931-2888 or (830) 931-4070 City Hall or go to the City’s Web site at <http://www.castrovilletx.gov>

RV PARK:

RVers must register with the RV Park Host.

40 Pull Thru Sites	Dump Station	DSL/Wireless/Internet
30/50b amp Full Service	Bathhouse	Rec. Hall/Laundry
Hookups	Adjacent Playground	Security Fencing
	Picnic Tables	

Rates: Includes utilities as per council approval October 2016,

Daily:	\$ 35.00 + 10% discount for seniors and members of recognized RV clubs (daily only)
Weekly:	\$ 165.00 + \$2/day per person over 5 years old, more than 2 people
Monthly:	\$ 300.00 for 30 amp RVs + \$2/day per person over 5 years old, more than 2 people
Monthly:	\$ 325.00 for 50 amp RVs + \$2/day per person over 5 years old, more than 2 people

Note: One-day only discount of 50% is available for current members of Passport America.

For site availability information, call: 830-931-0033, or email: parksandevents@castrovilletx.gov.

Dump station fee, if not a registered guest, is **\$15.00**, payable to RV Park Host

Maximum stay in our RV Park is 6 months.

A person must be gone from the park for a minimum of three (3) months after having reached the 6-month limit, before they can register again.

RV Park Rules (in addition to Park Regulations)

- All RVs must be in good repair with current registration.
- Maximum stay is two (2) weeks for “pop-ups” or any other type of camper that is not self-contained. Self-contained is defined as having full kitchen and bathroom facilities, including holding tanks.
- “Drop-offs” are not allowed. Tow vehicle must be available.
- Speed limit in the RV Park is 5 mph for all vehicles. Bicycles and pedestrians have the right of way.
- Pets must be kept on a leash when outside RV. Please clean up after your pets.
- Pets are not allowed in the Rec. Hall, laundry room or RV restrooms. (Service animals exempt)
- Children are not allowed in the Rec. Hall without their parents.
- Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children in all areas of the Regional Park and RV Park.
- Quiet time is 10:00 pm to 6:00 am. No loud music or disturbances permitted.
- Grey water discharge on the ground is not permitted
- We have HIGH water pressure. A pressure regulator at the spigot is recommended.
- A rubber sewer gasket or other type seal is required for all sewer hook-ups to prevent escaping odors or liquid.
- Individual clotheslines are not permitted. There is a community clothesline next to the bathhouse.
- It will be each guest’s responsibility to maintain a clean and neat site.
- Extra refrigerators and/or freezers not permitted outside RV. (Host & Rangers exception)
- The Restrooms/Showers and the Rec. Hall are locked. Ask RV Park Host for keypad code.
- Washing vehicles is not permitted. Check with host re our rig washing policy.
- Fireworks are not permitted.
- Campfires are not permitted
- For Your Information: The TV Channels available through your antenna are:
 - 4-NBC 5-CBS 9-PBS 12-ABC 26-FOXSP 29-FOX 35- WB 42-SPANISH
 - 60-SPANISH 77-SPANISH
- WIFI available – Check with RV Park Host.
- **Check-out or payment of site fee is due on or before 1:00 pm on the appropriate day of each month. If not paid accordingly, the daily rate will apply until the appropriate (monthly or weekly) fee is paid in full.**

SPECIAL EVENTS: **(Includes Trail Rides)**

Definition:

- Any event at which attendance is expected to exceed 200 people.
- Any/all Fundraisers or Benefits
- Any request to close a road or any of the trails, no matter how temporarily.

Person(s)/Groups, etc. wishing to hold/sponsor such events in the park should ask the City Clerk for a copy of our Special Events Guidelines and a Special Events Request Form. They are also available online at www.castrovilletx.gov. Since such events impact the park beyond the norm, they require approval of the City Administrator and others, possibly even City Council. A deposit may or may not be required and fees may or may not be waived or discounted.

Note: The only “Special Events” and/or activities that will be permitted in the park on days designated as Holiday Dates” (Easter Weekend, Memorial Weekend, 4 of July and Labor Day Weekend) are those that will benefit the Castroville Regional Park, the City of Castroville and/or the Friends of the Castroville Regional Park. Such requests must first be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

EASTER WEEKEND

Please note for the Easter Weekend go to the City’s Web Site <http://www.castrovilletx.gov> or call City Hall at (830) 931-4070

TENT CAMPING:

(PERMITTED IN DESIGNATED AREA ONLY) (See exceptions)

Tent Campers must register with RV Park Host.

Fee: \$10.00 per tent per day.

Maximum length of stay: 14 consecutive days.

Tent campers must be gone from the park for a minimum of one (1) month after having been here fourteen (14) days of any thirty (30) day period, before they can register again.

TENT CAMPING FOR BOY AND/OR GIRL SCOUT TROOPS:

Except during Special Holidays Medina County Boy and/or Girl Scout Troops will be permitted to tent camp **outside the designated area**, and without charge, provided they have submitted a Group Facilities Reservation Form in advance and have received approval from City Hall Reservation Staff. Park Maintenance Contractor should be contacted regarding any specific camping site and/or any other special requests.

Note: Boy and/or Girl Scout Troops from outside Medina County wishing to tent camp outside the designated tent camping area, will be considered under “Special Events”, and thus, subject to the approval of the City Administrator.

TENT CAMPING RULES **(In addition to Park Regulations)**

- Except on Holiday dates, tent campers in designated area will be provided with the keypad code to the Restroom/Showers only.
- Vehicles are not permitted in the tent camping area. There is adequate parking outside the area.
- The RV Park Rec Hall and Laundry are off-limits to tent campers without special permission from RV Park Host.
- Speed limit is 5 mph in the RV Park and 10 mph in the rest of the park.
- Pets must be kept on a leash. Please clean up after them
- Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children in all areas of the park.
- Quiet time is 10:00 pm to 6:00 am. No loud music or disturbances permitted.
- It will be each guest’s responsibility to maintain a clean and neat site.
- Fireworks are not permitted.
- Campfires, other than in fire pits or BBQ pits are not permitted.
- Check-out time is 2:00 pm

Exceptions to all the above:
HOLIDAYS
MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND, LABOR DAY WEEKEND

On these 2 holidays (as per posted date or dates), the following will apply:

- In addition to the regular fees for Areas, Pavilions, and use of individual picnic tables, there will be a park entrance fee of \$10.00 per vehicle, per day.
- People wishing to “just drive thru” will be charged \$10. *Exceptions: City officials, EMS.*
- This fee, levied only to compensate for the holiday impact, will be collected at the entrance to the park, and/or on site in the park. Vehicle receipts are to be displayed in vehicle window.
- Gate collection hours will be 8:00 am to 7:00 pm, or as determined by the director of Public Works. On site collection hours will be throughout the park and throughout the day.
- Individual tent camping will be permitted throughout the park, on a first come, first served basis, except in areas that have been reserved, or marked as off limits.
- Tent camping fee is \$10.00 per tent, per night (Revised 3-07)
- The perimeters of reserved areas will be marked, and the perimeters of individual picnic tables will also be marked.
- Tent campers in non-reserved areas, not wishing to pay a table fee of \$5.00 in addition to the \$10.00 tent fee, must set up their tents **OUTSIDE** marked table perimeter, and should face the opening of their tent **AWAY** from the closest table. *(This will allow day visitors access to a picnic table, as well as reasonable space and privacy).*
- Tent campers who set up within a marked table perimeter will be assessed the table fee of \$5.00 per table, per day, in addition to the tent camping fee of \$10.00 per tent, per night, including the day of departure. In other words, tent campers not vacating a table site by 9:00 am, will be assessed a \$5.00 fee for that day.
- There will be no overnight camping other than **inside** a tent. *(No one sleeping on tables, on the ground, or otherwise out in the open)*
- In Group Facility areas that have been reserved, tents (@ \$10.00 per tent/per night, in addition to the reservation fee) may be set up as desired within the marked perimeter. Person making the reservation will be responsible for entire group.
- Tents may be set up no earlier than two (2) days prior to the holiday.
- Gates will close at 10:00 pm on the holiday itself, by which time all tents & people must leave the park.
- Tent campers will **not** have access to the RV Park Bathhouse or other RV Park facilities on these holidays. This includes those in the designated tent camping area, as well as tent camping “friends” or “relatives” of registered RV Park guests. Exceptions permitted at the discretion of the RV Park Host.
- Portable toilets will, if determined necessary, be available throughout the park, & cold showers will be available in Park Restroom # 2.
- All other General Park Rules will be in effect.

THE CITY OF CASTROVILLE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ASK ANYONE WHO DOES NOT ABIDE BY THE REGULATIONS AND RULES TO LEAVE THE PREMISES WITHOUT NOTICE AND WITHOUT A REFUND.

These regulations and rules as well as any/all other existing local, state, federal laws and/or ordinances will be enforced.

There will be no exceptions to these regulations and rules unless authorized in writing by the City Administrator, and coordinated with the Public Works Director, Park Manager, City Reservation Staff, and Police Department.

The City of Castroville is not responsible for loss due to fire, theft or vandalism, nor is it responsible for accidents of any nature.

Comments/Complaints should be **in writing** and should be addressed to City Administrator, City of Castroville, at the following address: 1209 Fiorella, Castroville, TX 78009.

24-Hour Emergency Number for Public Works is: 830-931-4090

For a Fire, Medical, or Police Emergency, dial 911

These Regulations and Rules will be subject to review and revision each January, or whenever deemed in the best interest of the park.

**NOTE: INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SWIMMING POOL PROGRAMS, HOURS, AND FEES ARE LISTED ON A SEPARATE FLYER.
SWIMMING POOL OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES ARE A SEPARATE DOCUMENT.**

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