

## **Wandsworth Borough Council, Parks and Open Spaces Committee Bye-Laws**

Areas covered with Wandsworth Bye-laws.

King George's Park  
Furzedown Recreation ground  
Garratt Park  
Coronation Gardens  
Leaders Gardens  
Tooting Gardens  
Swaby Road Recreation Ground

### 1. Games

No person shall play cricket, football, rounders or any organised game, or run in an organised race, or take part in any athletic sports within any park, garden or open space except on such portion thereof as may be set apart by the Council for the purpose.

### 2. Exclusion of Dogs

No person shall bring any dog into any park, garden or open space unless such dog be on a lead and under proper control.

### 3. Damage to Fences, etc

No person shall wilfully throw down, injure or in any way deface any lamp-post, drinking fountain, railing, fence, notice board, paving, gate, seat or other thing whatsoever under the control of the Council or enclosing any park, garden, or open space.

### 4. Billposting

No person shall post any bill, placard, or notice whatsoever upon any wall, stone, lamppost, seat, tree or other thing in or enclosing any park, garden or open space.

### 5. Climbing upon walls etc

No person shall climb over or upon any of the walls, gates, gate piers, railings, fences, or upon any of the lavatories, water closets, or buildings or interfere with any water-tap, pipe, fitting or other thing under the control of the Council in any park, garden or open space.

6. Nuisance

No person shall commit any nuisance contrary to public decency and propriety in any part of any park, garden or open space or the entrances thereto.

7. Cutting Shrubs, flowers etc

No person shall cut, break, pluck, pull up or otherwise remove or damage any tree, shrub, plant, flower, turf or grass in any park, garden or open space.

8. Barrows, etc

No person, shall wheel, draw, drive or roll any truck, barrow or trolley upon any part of any park, garden or open space.

9. Bicycles, etc

No person shall ride any bicycle, tricycle or other cycle upon any park, garden or open space (except on approved cycle routes).

10. Perambulators, bath-chairs, bicycles, etc

No person shall wheel a perambulator or bath-chair, or bicycle, tricycle or other cycle elsewhere than upon the laid out paths.

11. Assembly, or speech, lectures, etc

No person shall deliver any public speech, lecture, prayer, sermon, or address of any description whatsoever, or enter into any public discussion or hold or cause or take part in any public assemblage in any park, garden or open space.

12. Bathing, boating, etc

No person shall bathe, wash paddle, fish with net, rod or line, or sail any model boat, or occupy or use any boat, or bathe or wash any dog or other animal or allow any dog or other animal to swim, in or on any water in any park, garden or open space, except as such places and within such hours as may be prescribed by the Council.

13. Skating or sliding

No person shall skate, slide or make any slide in any park, garden or open space, except at such places and with such hours as may be prescribed by the Council.

14. Deposit of rubbish or refuse

No person shall deposit or leave in any park, garden or open space any rubbish, refuse, dead animals or other objectionable matter or thing whatsoever.

15. Hawking and selling

No person shall hawk, sell or expose or offer for sale, any article or thing in any park, garden or open space, except in any refreshment lodge or place therein set apart by the Council for the purpose.

16. Distribution of bills, etc

No person shall distribute any bill, placard or other printed or written matter in any park, garden or open space.

17. Singing and playing musical instruments

No person shall sing any sacred or secular song, or play or make sounds of any musical instrument, in any park, garden or open space after a request to desist by the keeper or other officer; provided that this bye-law shall not apply to a band playing in an appointed place with the sanction of the Council.

18. Gambling, begging and disorderly conduct

No person shall brawl, fight, curse, swear, or use indecent or improper language or hold take part in any running, fighting, boxing, wrestling, or walking match, or do any act which outrages public decency or which comes within the meaning of the 4th section of the Vagrancy Act 1824 whether the offences be committed with the intent to insult any female or not.

19. Animals not allowed

Except as provided in bye-law No. 2 no person shall taken into any park, garden or open space any horse, cattle, sheep, goat, or any other animal, or allow the same to stray into or remain therein.

20. Waking on planted beds

No person shall walk upon any bed that is planted or upon any land that is planted or upon any land that is fenced in or sown with grass or other seeds.

21. Resisting keepers or other officers

No person shall assault, or resist or incite any person to assault or resist the keeper or any other officer or servant of the Council or other person in the execution of his duty or the lawful exercise or any authority under these bye-laws.

22. Pollution of Water

No person shall wash clothes or other things in any lake, river, pond or trough or do any such act likely to cause the pollution of the water in any drinking fountain.

23. Sorting rags, etc

No person shall throw down or deposit and leave in any park, garden or open space any newspaper or any paper bag, wrapping or sheet such as is likely to create or tend to create a litter in, or to affect or tend to affect injuriously the amenities of any park, garden or open space.

24. Verminous or filthy persons

No person in a verminous or offensively filthy condition shall lie upon, or occupy any seat, and no person in such condition shall lie about in any park, garden or open space.

25. Removal of persons

It shall be lawful for the keeper or any officer or servant of the Council or any constable to exclude or remove from any park, garden, or open space, any person committing a breach of these bye-laws and any such person who shall neglect or refuse to go, or who having been excluded or removed therefore shall return hereto, shall be guilty of an offence against these bye-laws.

26. Penalty

Every person who shall offend against any of these bye-laws shall be liable to a penalty for each and ever such offence.

27. Remedies and power

Nothing in these bye-laws shall take away, abridge, or limit any remedy now existing by way of indictment, or shall interfere with the powers of the Metropolitan Police, or any authority legally existing or in force for preventing or punishing offences, or with the powers of the Council as having the control of any Park, garden or open space.