



Policy: Smoking in Parks – New

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Purpose

The smoking in parks policy establishes the rules and regulations regarding smoking and/or vaping in GSC Parks operated facilities and parks. The City of Georgetown has established a “Smoking in Public Places” ordinance. ([Sec. 20-21](#)). Additionally, this policy will further clarify the “Smoking in Parks” policy set by the GSC Parks Board of Directors on October 15, 2018.

Scope

These rules apply to the GSC Parks operated and maintained parks and facilities within Scott County.

Definitions

Smoking means inhaling, exhaling, burning, carrying any lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or other lighted tobacco product or any other lighted substance, whether otherwise legally possessed to consume such as marijuana, in any manner or form. Smoking does include vaping.

Sports arena means sports pavilions, stadiums, gymnasiums, health spas, boxing arenas, swimming pools, roller and ice rinks, bowling alleys, and other similar places where members of the general public assemble to engage in physical exercise, participate in athletic competition, or witness sports or other events.

Policy

1. Smoking is prohibited in the seating areas of all outdoor arenas, stadiums and amphitheaters. (Georgetown Code Sec.20-26)
2. Smoking is prohibited within a reasonable distance of the outside entrance to or open windows of any enclosed area in which smoking is prohibited by Georgetown Code Sec. 20-21 and from the air intake of a ventilation system serving an enclosed area where smoking is prohibited, in order to ensure tobacco smoke does not enter that enclosed area through entrances, windows, ventilation systems or other means. This includes entrances into GSC Parks operated facilities. The GSC Parks Board further establishes a reasonable distance as a minimum of 25 feet.
3. No person shall dispose of any cigarette, cigar or tobacco, or any part of a cigarette or cigar, including cigarette or cigar butts or ashes or used matches in any place where smoking is prohibited under this chapter, except any specifically designated smoking waste receptacle.
4. The GSC Parks Board further establishes that smoking will be allowed in paved parking areas and/or designated smoking areas.

5. Enforcement, Violations and Penalties of the Smoking in Parks policy is addressed in Georgetown Code Sec. 20-32.