



RECREATION & PARKS

Discover an Ocean of Fun.

Bayside Park

at 3rd Street

Park Rules

1. Hours of Operation – Bayside Park at 3rd Street has set hours of operation for various amenities with the two-block park area.
 - Playgrounds: Open from dawn to dark
 - Basketball Courts: Open from 8:00 a.m. to dark
 - Tennis/Pickleball Court(s): Open from 8:00 a.m. to dark
 - Ocean Bowl Skate Park: Hours vary and are weather permitting. Please go to <https://oceancitymd.gov/oc/departments/recreation-parks/skate-park/hours/fees/>
2. Alcoholic Beverages – Bayside Park is a family park. Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
3. Smoking/Vaping – Bayside Park is a smoke-free park area. Smoking, vaping and/or use of other tobacco and/or Cannabis products are prohibited.
4. Under the Influence – Help keep our parks family-friendly. No person under the influence of alcoholic beverages or drugs are permitted in the park. Report violators to OC Communications at 410-723-6610.
5. Motor Vehicles – For everyone’s safety, unauthorized motor vehicles are prohibited in the park.
6. Electric/Motorized scooters, bicycles, skateboards and/or similar conveyances – Though these are fun to ride, they are not permitted on park property. Carrying or walking such vehicles/devices through the park is not a violation.
7. Skateboarding – Skateboarding is welcome at the Ocean Bowl Skate Park, but not permitted on other park property pursuant to Town Ordinance.
8. Pets – Pets are welcome but must be under control with a leash at all times; all excrement deposited by the pet must be collected and disposed of in a legal and proper way. Doggie bags are provided to assist in keeping our park clean and clear of pet waste.
9. Littering – Help keep our park clean and beautiful! Contribute to “Litter-Free OC,” and put all of your trash in the provided trash containers, or take it with you.
10. Fishing & Crabbing – Fishing & crabbing are permitted along the bayside boardwalk, but must be conducted in compliance with State law and posted rules. Free angler registration is required for anyone over the age of 16 years. Please go to <https://compass.dnr.maryland.gov/Registration/Express/SaltWaterRegistration>

11. Camping – Camping, tenting, and/or inhabiting is not permitted in Bayside Park. Authorized events requiring the use of tents or other coverings must obtain appropriate approvals from the Town.
12. Grilling – Grilling is not a permissible activity in Bayside Park. Parks with provided grills available for public use include Northside Park, Gorman Park, and Fiesta Park.
13. Aeronautical Activities – Though discouraged for use in the park, compliance with the Academy for Model Aeronautics (click link) is expected for any use of powered flight-crafts, drones, etc. <https://www.modelaircraft.org/sites/default/files/documents/100.pdf>
14. Basketball/Tennis/Pickleball Courts – Courts are first come/first served with a one-hour time limit if others are waiting to play. Court etiquette and fair play is expected and should be worked out amongst the users. Bikes, Skateboards, Scooters, Inline Skates, etc. are not permitted on the courts. Please comply with rules posted on court fences.

Having a difficult time getting on the court(s)? Tennis and/or Pickleball court reservations are available for a fee at the Ocean City Racquet Center at 61st Street by calling 410-524-8337. Little Salisbury Park on 94th Street also offers free basketball and tennis play. Gorman Park on Derrickson Ave offers free tennis, racquetball and pickleball.

15. Playgrounds – Playgrounds are closed when dark. Observe and follow all rules posted at the playgrounds. Skateboards, pets, bikes, scooters, inline skates, etc. are not permitted on the playground.
16. Golf – Hitting/chipping golf balls is prohibited on park property. Enjoy chipping and putting at Eagle's Landing Golf Course, 12367 Eagles Nest Rd., Berlin, MD 21811.
17. Grass & Landscaping – Digging or any other disturbance of park land/property is prohibited, as there are many underground utilities throughout the park. Stakes, poles and/or any other objects may not be driven below the park's surface without authorization of the Recreation & Parks Department.
18. Reservations and Use – Some park facilities may be reserved for group use. For inquiries regarding reserving space, contact the Recreation & Parks offices at 410-250-0125.
19. Commercial Activities/Advertising – Commercial activities, including, but not limited to, unauthorized private instruction/lessons, peddling, soliciting or conducting any other service, business or trade are not permissible in the park. No unauthorized signs or literature postings/distributions are permitted.
20. Town Ordinances – There are many other Town Ordinances that govern appropriate use of parks and town properties. Please go to <https://oceancitymd.gov/oc/city-hall/oceancity-ordinances/> for additional information. For information regarding the full town municipal code, please go to: https://library.municode.com/md/ocean_city/codes/code_of_ordinances

Please be courteous and welcoming to others while using common sense in park use. Safety, beauty, and positive play are important to us and to all users.

Exception to established park rules may be considered, in some cases, for authorized special events. For questions related to this, please call the Recreation & Parks office at 410-250-0125.