



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARTICIPANTS & GUESTS

PURPOSE

Egg Harbor Township Parks and Recreation Department's (EHTPR) programs and facilities are made available for residents and guests to enjoy participating in a positive atmosphere for recreation. We are committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment and require everyone to act in accordance with this Code of Conduct in our community center, parks, programs and events.

EXPECTATIONS & REGULATIONS

- Treat all persons and parties with dignity and respect.
- Recognize EHTPR programming as a privilege that can be retracted for the greater good.
- Become knowledgeable, understanding and supportive of all established guidelines, rules, policies and procedures applicable to the related activity.
- Use appropriate language, tones and volume when communicating.
- We have a zero-tolerance policy prohibiting fighting, physical abuse, aggressive or threatening behavior, verbal or physical intimidation/abuse, harassment or intimidation by words, gestures or body language.
- Behavior that results in the damage/destruction of property is prohibited.
- Carrying or concealing any weapons, devices or objects that may or could be used as a weapon is prohibited.
- Using or possessing alcohol, all forms of tobacco and cannabis and all related products for its use, and illegal drugs is prohibited in the Community Center, on its grounds, and in all Township Parks.
- Persons under the influence of alcohol, cannabis or illegal drugs will be asked to leave the Township facility.
- Shoes and appropriate clothing must be worn at all times.
- No solicitation or sales of goods or services by an individual or group is allowed.
- Participants who cause an unreasonably loud noise that is so disturbing or annoying that it interferes with the ability of Township staff to perform their jobs or of members of the public to participate in programs, events or activities may be asked to leave the facility.
- Program participants must complete the registration process and check-in at the office counter or facility monitor desk at the Community Center for each visit to a program.
- Members of the public are not allowed in any Community Center area signed Restricted Area without EHTPR staff permission.
- Service Animals (as defined by federal and state law) may enter any Township facility and must be in the immediate custody of their companion or owner at all times.
- In order to protect and enhance the life of our Community Center, all food and beverages (except water) are allowed only in the multipurpose and summer camp rooms.
- Personal belongings must not be left unattended.
- Children in the Community Center and parks must be supervised by his/her guardian or EHTPR staff at all times.
- Blocking or obstructing Community Center entrances, exits, or walkways is not allowed.

Participants and guests are encouraged to be responsible for their personal comfort and safety. If any person ever feels uncomfortable with a negative action of another individual, they should report the behavior to EHTPR staff immediately.

PROCEDURES

When an incident occurs at an EHTPR program or facility, EHTPR staff have the authority to institute immediate suspensions. EHTPR officials will offer to escort the offending individual(s) from the program/facility. If the offending individual(s) refuses to leave the premises, local law enforcement will be contacted. It is EHTPR's desire that situations never warrant the removal of an individual from an activity or facility, however it is our obligation to maintain a controlled, safe and healthy environment for all.