

# PLANNING AN EVENT AT A CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT BEACH

A few reminders as you plan an event to take place on or near a beach. These rules/regulations are in addition to those found in The Code of the Chicago Park District, posted at each park, outlined in the Special Event Permit Application or on an issued Permit.

### SAND ACTIVITIES

- Please be sensitive of the plant life that resides on the beach and in adjacent dunes.
- Grilling or any type of open flame is prohibited in the sand. Grills must be on pavement in a pre-approved location.
- Portable toilets, display vehicles and catering support vehicles must be on pavement in a pre-approved location (see vehicle exceptions below).
- Smoking is prohibited on all Chicago Park District beaches.
- Animals, including dogs, are not allowed on beaches except for designated Dog Friendly Areas. Service animals are always welcome.

### **VEHICLES**

- Only approved vehicles may operate on the sand for the purposes of set up, tear down and event management.
- Vehicles to remain on site during the event must be pre-approved and serve the purpose of refrigeration or branded sponsorship. Vehicles are required to
  - Display a Parking Pass issued by Chicago Park District on the dashboard.
  - > Remain on pavement.
  - Display vehicles that are pre-approved to remain on sand must be placed on a protective surface.

# **WATER ACTIVITES**

- If a planned activity takes participants in the water, the event organizer is required to hire Chicago Park District lifeguards.
- Floatation devices of any kind are prohibited in the water. Please be mindful of event giveaways and items for sale.
- Snorkeling and scuba diving are prohibited.
- Kayaking, paddleboarding and other water sports are allowed only at designated beaches.

#### **BEACH SERVICES & EQUIPMENT**

These may be requested for a fee and are based on availability:

- Beach cleaning
- Creation of sand mound (for sand sculpting)
- Rental of volleyball nets, lines and balls
- Removal/replacement of volleyball poles

## **EVENT AREAS**

- Amplified sound is to face toward the lake and away from residences.
- North Avenue Beach special event rentals include south volleyball courts and special event area. Based on availability, event organizer may rent individual north volleyball courts at the posted rental rate.
- Montrose Beach special event rentals include beach area north of volleyball courts and south of Dog Friendly Area. Volleyball Courts are available for rent at the posted rental rate.

### **VOLLEYBALL POLES**

Do not disturb, remove or relocate any volleyball pole. Per Chicago Park District Code Chapter VII, Section B(5)d "No person shall in any park...alter any...structure or property contained therein"

Pole removal/replacement service may be requested and is approved based on availability. Request should only be made if removal of volleyball poles is required in order for your event to operate. Please submit a written request to have poles removed and include the quantity of poles, location, date/time the poles should be removed and date/time poles are to be replaced. Fees for removal and replacement are as follows. There may be additional lost revenue fees if removal of poles impedes normal beach rental operations.

<u># Poles</u>	Fee (includes Removal & Replacement)
5 poles	\$330
6-10 poles	\$880
11-15 poles	\$1,430
16-20 poles	\$1,980
21-25 poles	\$2,530
26-30 poles	\$3,080

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