



PARK HOURS DEPARTMENT POLICY

POLICY:

It is the policy of the St. Louis County Department of Parks and Recreation to assure that park facilities are open for public enjoyment at times that are convenient and safe for public use.

PARK OPERATING SEASON:

Outdoor park facilities are available for reservations and are open for public use March 21st to Veteran's Day (November 11th) each year. Comfort station opening and closing dates may be adjusted due to weather conditions. Outdoor drinking fountains are activated from May 1 to October 15 each year, subject to weather conditions.

PARK OPERATING HOURS:

Parks are open from dawn (1/2 hour before official sunrise) until dusk (1/2 hour after official sunset) every day except Christmas Day. Park hours may be extended by permit or for County sponsored programs and events. Park gates are opened as followed:

Gates Open by 6:00 AM

- Tilles Park

Gates Open by 7:00 AM

- Bee Tree Park
- Buder Park
- Creve Coeur Park
- Larimore Park
- Laumeier Sculpture Park
- Love Park
- Simpson Park
- Spanish Lake Park
- St. Vincent Park
- Unger Park
- West Tyson Park
- Winter, George Park

Gates Open by 8:00 AM

- Bellefontaine West Park
- Castle Point Park
- Cliff Cave Park
- Creve Coeur Park Soccer Complex
- Lone Elk Park
- Lower Meramec Park
- McDonnell Park
- Schaefer Bend Park
- Sherman Beach Park
- Suson Park

Exceptions: **Lone Elk Park** is open from 8:00 AM until official sunset. All pets are prohibited in Lone Elk Park, including those that are confined to a vehicle. Motorcycles are prohibited in Lone Elk Park. Veterinarian visits and special events may affect operating hours.

Lighted athletic fields may be used until 10:00 PM by permit only.

Recreation Center/Complex hours vary by season and are posted at the facility.

OFFICE HOURS:

Offices at the following locations are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM until 4:30 PM except St. Louis County observed holidays.

- Affton Community Center
- Greensfelder Recreation Complex
- Kennedy Recreation Complex
- North County Recreation Complex
- Parks Administration
- St. Vincent Community Center
- The Pavilion at Lemay

SIGNAGE:

All parks shall have standard, permanent signs near entrances stating open hours, thus allowing enforcement via Ordinance 101.080, Damaging or Trespassing on County Property.

Due to emergencies or construction when parks or portions of parks are closed at times normally open, PARK CLOSED or AREA CLOSED signs should be posted at park or area entrances. Signage will allow for enforcement via Ordinance 101.080.

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