



PARK POLICIES

The La Mesa parks are for the enjoyment of the public and we request that each group leaves the park clean for the next party. The City of La Mesa Public Works Department takes pride in maintaining the parks to their high standards. However, there may be the rare occasion when a prior party has left the area less than you expected. If this is the case, you may be required to clean up the area yourself.

The City of La Mesa requires a Park Permit for park usage of groups of 25 or more people; or if an “Astrojump”, Inflatable Bounce House or similar equipment is going to be placed in one of the parks for a party. A Commercial Use of Public Recreational Property Permit is required for all commercial operators conducting business in city parks such as yoga classes, boot camps, day camps, fitness classes or similar activities.

There is a fee for all Park Permits and permits are limited in each park. The permit may be obtained through the City of La Mesa Community Services Department. For additional information or to make an appointment to obtain a Park Use Permit, please call 619.667.1300, email: recreation@cityoflamesa.us or visit our website at www.cityoflamesa.us/parkpermits.

The use of La Mesa parks is on first come, first serve basis. The contract for park use does not assure you a reservation of a park area. If you have a function scheduled at the park, we suggest you arrive early to hold the area that you want. The exception to this is at Harry Griffen, La Mesita, Aztec, Northmont, and Vista La Mesa Park. The Amphitheatre and Reservable Sites at the listed parks are the only areas in any of the City of La Mesa parks that can be reserved. The Amphitheatre is available to rent on an hourly basis. Reservable Sites are rented on a daily basis.

REGULATIONS FOR PARK USE

- Alcoholic beverages are not allowed in the parks without a special one-day permit issued by the City of La Mesa Police Department. A minimum of two weeks time is required to obtain the permit. The fee is based on the current Fiscal Year Fee Schedule. Security Personnel may be required when alcoholic beverages are served.
- City of La Mesa parks are smoke-free. Please, no smoking or use of any tobacco product including electronic smoking devices.
- Use of Inflatables (“Astrojumps”, bounce houses, etc.): Power must be supplied by a generator; generators may not be refueled while in the grass area of the park; the rental company will need to use a cart, hand truck or similar method of transportation to move inflatable onto the area. No vehicles allowed on grass. An Inflatable is not allowed in the area of the park beyond the off-leash dog run; or, behind the Amphitheatre at Harry Griffen Park if there is an event in the Amphitheatre.



- Tents/Canopies may not exceed four hundred (400) square feet unless a special permit from the La Mesa Fire Department is obtained. This includes connecting individual tents.
- Park users may bring in their own propane barbecue grills. Park users are not permitted to bring their own charcoal barbecue grills. They can only use City built charcoal grills.
- Do not use rope or any other barriers.
- Do not drive vehicles on grassy area.
- The maximum sized stakes to be used for securing any object is six (6) inches.
- No amplification is allowed without a Sound Amplification Permit issued through the City of La Mesa Police Department. This form is available when obtaining your permit; please complete and return with your Park Use Permit to the Community Services Department.
- If you have any questions, call the Front Desk at 619. 667.1300.