



2011

Beach and Boating Recommendations

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**Glencoe Park District
Annual Beach Recommendations
2011**

1. Swimming Beach

a. Hours and Dates of Operation

- i. Season length - Weekends only May 28 - 30, June 3 - 5, August 27- 28 and September 3 - 5.
- ii. Hours of Beach House and Life Guard Services
 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Daily
 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. School days (no guard service available)
- iii. Attendants will be collecting fees from 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. daily. Twilight rate will be charged daily from 6 - 8 p.m. Weather and foot traffic will dictate if attendants stay in operation at the discretion of the manager on duty.
- iv. Concession stand will continue to be leased out by an outside company. The hours of operation will be 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. weekdays and 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. weekends. Concessions will be closed on days of inclement weather.

b. Daily Fees and Charges

- i. Daily Fee- staff recommends that there be no increase in daily fee admissions. See area comparison in table 1 below.

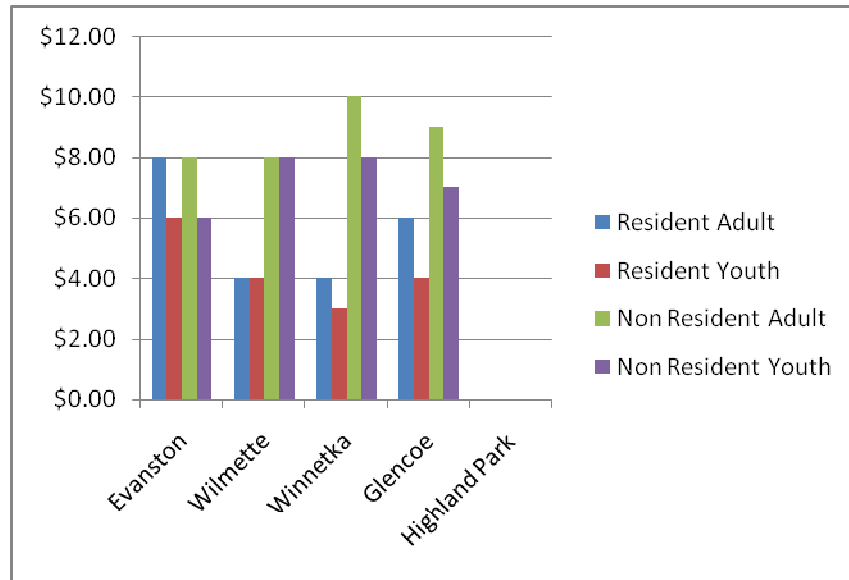
2010 Rates and 2011 Proposed Unchanged Daily Rates

Ages	Residents	Residents Twilight	Non Residents	Non Resident Twilight
Youth 1-17 years old	\$4.00	\$2.00	\$7.00	\$4.00
Adults 18 and older	\$6.00	\$3.00	\$9.00	\$5.00
Under 1 year of age	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge
60 and older	No Charge	No Charge	\$4.00	\$2.00
High Bacteria	\$2.00	N/A	\$4.00	N/A

Table 1

2011 Area Comparison of Daily Fees

	Resident		Non Resident	
	Adult	Youth	Adult	Youth
Evanston	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$8.00	\$6.00
Wilmette	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$8.00	\$8.00
Winnetka	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$10.00	\$8.00
Glencoe	\$6.00	\$4.00	\$9.00	\$7.00
Highland Park	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A



- ii. Season Pass Fees: Staff recommended an increase in passes for the 2009 season. However, due to the conditions of the economy, and the previous year's performance, there was no increase made. For 2011, staff continues to recommend deferring an additional increase until such time the market will bear an increase.

Proposed 2011 Season Pass Rates

Category	Through June 5, 2011	After June 6, 2011	After July 10, 2011
Resident Family (1st two)	\$80.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Resident Individual	\$70.00	\$90.00	\$45.00
Non-Resident Family (1st two)	\$130.00	\$150.00	\$75.00
Non-Resident Individual	\$85.00	\$105.00	\$52.50
Resident Seniors (60 & up)	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge
Non Resident Seniors (60 & up)	\$35.00	\$45.00	\$25.00
Each Additional Family Member	\$10.00 ea. token	\$10.00 ea. token	\$10.00 ea. Token

- iii. Scholarship Recipients are awarded a percentage discount by Family Service of Glencoe. The percentage discount will only apply to the Resident Family and Resident Individual rates and the discount will not apply to each additional token.
- iv. Group and Camp Rates (for 15 or more):

2010 Rates	2011 Rates
\$5.00 Youth and Adult	\$5.00 Youth and Adult
\$5.00 Weekdays	\$5.00 Weekdays
No Group Rates on Weekends	No Group Rates on Weekends
\$1.75 for GJK and Park District Camps	\$1.75 for GJK and Park District Camps
Guest Card - \$40.00 for 10 guests	Guest Card - \$40.00 for 10 guests

- v. Trellis Rentals: All Trellis Rentals are required to pay in full within 5 days of booking. If a reservation is made within 10 days of booking payment must be made in full at time of reservation. No reservations will be held for any reason. Cancellations made due to severe weather (thunder storms or lightning) will receive a full refund or credit toward another date depending on availability. Renter will be provided the option of using Watts Center Recreation Room on the day of the party in lieu of the Trellis Rental. Cancellations made within 10 days of rental date will receive a 50% refund. Staff recommends Fridays be charged as a weekend rate. Rental fees do not include use of the portable grill; a fee of \$75.00 will be charged at time of reservation and does not include charcoal.

Days Of Week	Category	2009 & 2010	2011
		Up to 75 Guests	Up to 75 Guests
Monday-Thursday	Resident	\$180.00	\$200.00
	Non-Resident	\$220.00	\$240.00
Friday-Sunday	Resident	\$295.00	\$320.00
	Non-Resident	\$395.00	\$420.00

- vi. Sun Shelters - Advanced reservation privileges of up to 60 days with a fee of \$30.00 for Residents/Token Holder or 45 days advance reservation and a fee of \$60.00 for Non Residents. Sun Shelter number five is planned to be extended in length to accommodate up 24 people. The same reservation structure applies, but staff recommends a fee structure of \$50.00/\$100.00 for residents and non residents. For all Sun Shelters, temporary holds are not accepted and cancellations may only be made in the event of severe weather such as: thunder storms or lightning. As such a full refund or credit will be issued toward another date depending on availability. Refunds will not be issued for any other reason.

c. Special Services

- i. Concession Stand- 3 year contract with Little Red Hen is still in effect through this summer ending September 5, 2011.
- ii. Rental Hut - staff recommends the non-renewal of a contract with Great Lakes Paddleboard Company and will seek out potential interest by a separate third party. Staff would also like to consider internally running the rental hut but needs to explore the paddleboard demand in the area and availability of equipment suppliers. This could be offered if equipment and business costs make sense.
- iii. Fourth of July - The sand will be used for spectator seating and the fireworks will be fired from the barge.
- iv. The beach will be open to pets prior to May 28 and after September 5. Owners are subject to all village ordinances regarding pets, leashes, etc.
- v. The Courtesy Cart operates daily from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Sunday.
- vi. Sand Chair & Umbrella Rental \$4.00 per use or \$6.00 as a pair.

d. Personnel

There should be a Facilities Supervisor, Beach Operations Supervisor, three to eight lifeguards depending on crowd, two entrance attendants and one cart driver. The Facilities Supervisor will schedule these people. Staff members will be released on a daily basis according to current weather and/or attendance conditions dictated by the supervisor on duty. On inclement weather days there will be shortened staff of three certified life guards.

e. Security/Safety

- i. The cooperative program with the Glencoe Public Safety Department has not been used in the past couple of years due to costs. If need arises Public Safety will be hired for staggered hours throughout the season (weekdays, weekends, and holidays) from 10:00 p.m. to midnight. Public Safety will make regular patrols of the bathing beach area at 10 p.m. If any problems occur, Public Safety will be asked to patrol more frequently.
- ii. The dimensions of the swimming area shall be approximately 15 yards north of the pier, northward 75 yards and about 45 yards out into the lake to form a rectangle outlined with buoy markers.

- iii. No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the beach or in Lakefront Park. Patrons with alcoholic beverages shall remove them or leave the Beach area without refund of admission fee. A special liquor permit is available for beach and boathouse trellis rentals. Liquor may be consumed by permit in the trellis only. All trellis party hosts will be notified that glass bottles will not be allowed at trellis parties. In the event a trellis party does not abide by this rule, staff will ask the party hosts to pour all bottled beverages in plastic cups.
- iv. To allow for stricter safety precautions, staff recommends taking advantage of the Starguard Assessment program which is paid for by PDRMA and assesses our Red Cross operations.
- v. Continue CPR training, conditioning programs, and EMS drills with Public Safety. An AED and trained personnel will be available at the Bathing and Boat House Beach during business hours.
- vi. On days when attendance is high and sand space limited, pick-up games and use of soccer, volleyball, Frisbee, football and baseball may be prohibited at the discretion of the Supervisor in charge. No games in the playground area.

2. Boating Beach

a. Description of Activities:

This facility provides sand and rack spaces for Glencoe resident and non residents to store and launch their personal boats. The Perlman Boating beach houses rack space for 60 kayaks and small sailboats with assigned sand space for 80 double hull catamarans. The boating beach offers storage in two intervals, summer and winter, providing storage year round.

b. Duties of Boat House Staff

The “official” responsibilities of Boat House staff include enforcing regulations and policies of the Glencoe Park District under the jurisdiction of the Glencoe Park District. Monitor weather and lake conditions and update flag colors to notify boaters of conditions. To perform surveillance shifts where boats are monitored on the water and log every boat that launches off Glencoe’s Beach. If any incident occurs they either radio to the Boat House to begin boater assistance operations or contact the Coast Guard to assist distressed boater. The Boat House staff will issue boater check out test to patrons wishing to rent sail boats and rig and set up all sail boats for private, group and camp activities.

c. Hours and Dates of Operation

Pre-Season begins May 7th through June 5th and Post-Season August 22 through October 9th weekends only 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Summer sailing season begins June 6 through August 21, Monday through Friday from 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Dates	Season	Boathouse Hours	Days of the Week
May 7 nd through June 5 th	Spring	11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Saturday and Sunday only
June 6 th through August 21 th	Summer	11:30 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	Monday - Thursday
June 6 th through August 21 th	Summer	10:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m.	Friday - Sundays only
August 22 st through October 9 th	Fall	11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Saturday and Sunday only

- i. Boat House will have extended operating hours for Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends, closing at 8:00 p.m.
- ii. Harbor Masters will stay after close if boats are on the water and if the boater has not checked in with the Boat House. Flood lights are planned for installation prior to the 2011 season opening. This should help the lighting situation and for emergency purposes.
- iii. The Boating Beach shall be closed on days when staffing is low due to school schedules, inclement weather or mechanical failures at the discretion of the Facilities Supervisors and/or Director of Operations. At such time a black flag will be flown to designate that services are closed.
- iv. The Boating Beach shall close for any visitation at 8:00 p.m. daily.
- v. Boats and equipment must be removed from beach by October 31st of each year unless Winter Storage is utilized. Staff is continuing to work with counsel to create policies and procedures to ensure timely removal or storage of spaces and adequate accounting for each space.

d. Fees and Charges

	2008	2009	2010	2011
Rack Space		Approved	Approved	Suggested
Resident	\$255.00	\$270.00	\$280.00	\$300.00
Non Resident	\$290.00	\$310.00	\$320.00	\$340.00
Sand Space		Approved	Approved	Suggested
Resident	\$380.00	\$440.00	\$455.00	\$475.00
Non Resident	\$470.00	\$540.00	\$570.00	\$590.00

2011 Area Fee Comparison (with suggested fee increase)

	Resident			Non Resident			
	Rack		Sand		Rack		Sand
Evanston	\$250.00	Winnetka	n/a	Highland Park	n/a	Winnetka	n/a
Winnetka	\$250.00	Glencoe	\$340.00	Evanston	\$310.00	Evanston	\$480.00
Wilmette	\$277.00	Evanston	\$350.00	Winnetka	\$360.00	Highland PK	\$870.00
Highland Park	n/a	Highland Park	\$435.00	Wilmette	\$461.00	Wilmette	\$754.00
Glencoe	\$300.00	Wilmette	\$532.00	Glencoe	\$475.00	Glencoe	\$590.00
Lake Forest	\$364.00	Lake Forest	\$2,149.00	Lake Forest	\$1,094.00	Lake Forest	\$4,135.00

- i. Proof of boat ownership must accompany all new applications for space rental.
- ii. All sand space holders must provide Illinois State Registration for renewal (if required by law).
- iii. Priority procedure for administering sand space.
 1. All boat space renters from the previous year have the privilege to renew their space for the coming season.
 2. Glencoe Resident Waiting List - proof of boat ownership and Illinois registration must be submitted with the application.
 3. Resident or non-resident boaters who have had a rack space the previous year may change to a sand space or rent a sand space in addition to the rack space. These are honored in the order they appear on the waiting list.
 4. Non-Residents in order of Waiting List - proof of boat ownership and Illinois registration must be presented with the application for boat space permit.

- 5. Any unregistered boat left on the beach after October 31st, shall be charged an additional \$50.00 fee payable prior to being assigned a space the following year.

e. Sailing

- i. Sailboat Lesson Fees: Park District personnel teach all lessons each season. Staff recommends hiring a sailing instructor whose sole role is to organize and run all sailing classes and water activities.
- ii. Students must be a minimum of 10 years of age and must be able to tread water, with clothes on, a minimum of five minutes.
- iii. Hobie Cat lessons are available for \$60.00 per hour or \$30.00 per hour with own boat

Barnett Group Sailing Lessons
Class Length - one hour
Fee - \$100 for ten 10 hours

Maximum 2 persons per boat

- iv. Sail Boat Rentals: Barnett sailboats and Hobie Cats are available for rental. Deposit by driver's license, state id, or credit card.

Barnett Rental - \$15 per hour on weekdays;
\$30 per hour on weekends & holidays.

Hobie Cat Rental \$45.00 per hour anytime

Fifteen years of age and younger must be accompanied by an adult on the boat during rental. Lessons are recommended for inexperienced renters.

- v. No child ages 5 and under are allowed on any rental watercraft.

f. Kayak Rentals

Fees: \$20.00 - per hour weekends
 \$15.00 - per hour weekdays
 \$35.00 - 3 hour maximum

- g. Winter Boat Storage - Boats may be stored over the winter months on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited space is available.

2010 Fees	2011 Proposed Fees
\$190 Outdoor Sand	\$200 Outdoor Sand
\$160 Indoor (Sunfish and Kayak)	\$170 Indoor (Sunfish and Kayak)
\$ 90 Outdoor Rack	\$100 Outdoor Rack

h. Personnel (as covered in Policy Manual)

Staffing of the Boating Beach shall consist of, one or two Managers, five Harbormasters and a sufficient number of Sailing Instructors to cover sailing registrants.

i. Security/Safety

i. Boating Safety Restrictions - To insure the safety of staff and sailboat users during storm conditions, the following procedures and rules will govern activity on Lake Michigan along the Glencoe Beach and that area fronting the Glencoe Water Treatment Plant.

ii. Sail at your own risk. No rescue service available when the following conditions occur:

When wave height reaches 3 feet and wind velocity reaches 25 knots or when the National Weather Service issues a small craft advisory and during the time that warning is in effect and if, in the judgment of the Assistant Manager on duty, conditions are such as to place staff or patrons in undue risk of personal injury, a "SAIL AT YOUR OWN RISK. NO HARBOR MASTER OR RESCUE BOAT SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE" sign will be posted for all sailors to see.

As a further measure to insure safety, the Boating Beach will be closed to all sailing activities, including board sailing, when wave height reaches 5 feet and wind velocity reaches 36 knots. A sign will be posted stating "NO SAILING OR SWIMMING ALLOWED. BEACH CLOSED".

Then signs will be posted on both beaches and Harbormaster staff will not be allowed to attempt launching rescue operations.

Any sailor disregarding this policy by launching his/her sailboat may have sailing privileges revoked for the remainder of the season and all equipment removed from the beaches and no refund forthcoming.

Depending on time of day and level of warning, all Park District staff members are to remain on duty at the Boat House through regular published hours of operations.

iii. Surfboards (Without Sails)

The use of this equipment during supervised hours for swimming and boating will not be allowed because of safety factors and concerns.

iv. Sail Boarding

Sail Boarding is not permitted at Glencoe Beach. Neither the boating nor swimming beach may be used launch sail boards.