

Rules Governing the Use of the Rock Meadow Conservation Land

The following rules are established by the Town of Belmont Conservation Commission to govern the use of the Rock Meadow Conservation Land.

1.0 Prohibited Activity

No person shall in or upon the Rock Meadow Conservation Land:

- 1.01 Be in or upon the land during the time period between ½ hour after sunset and ½ hour before sunrise unless carrying upon his or her person a permit from the Conservation Commission.
- 1.02 Other than in the established parking area on Mill Street, operate land a motorized vehicle, including without limitation any motor vehicle or motorized bicycle as defined in section 1 of Chapter 90 of the General Laws and any recreation vehicle or snow vehicle as defined in section 20 of Chapter 90B and any bicycle or scooter powered by any engine, except that vehicles used for law enforcement or permitted maintenance are authorized to operate on land.
- 1.03 Ride, lead or drive any horse, pony, mule or donkey.
- 1.04 Possess any alcoholic beverage, whether sealed or open.
- 1.05 Set up a tent or other structure of any kind.
- 1.06 Kindle or increase a fire, whether or not in a contained area or receptacle.
- 1.07 Hunt, trap or shoot at any animals or birds.
- 1.08 Use fireworks or explosive devices, discharge any firearm, rifle, or shotgun or discharge airgun, paintball gun, or similar device or use a bow and arrow, slingshot or similar device or throw stones, sticks or other missiles.
- 1.09 Remove, cut or damage any flowers, plants, shrubs, trees, soil, water, artifacts or rocks, including without limitation the removal of fallen trees and any digging or excavation.
- 1.10 Remove or injure any animal or bird.
- 1.11 Ride a bicycle, other than upon designated trails, except for a law enforcement officer.
- 1.12 Drop, throw or place and allow to remain any litter, garbage or other refuse, except in such receptacles as may be provided, nor dispose of any lighted match or smoking materials.
- 1.13 Deposit any household, commercial, or industrial trash in or around any receptacles that may be provided for refuse.
- 1.14 Permit a dog to run free or fail to comply with sections 20.10.7 through 20.10.10 of the General By-Laws of the Town of Belmont with regard to dog feces.
- 1.15 Place or post any sign or advertising.
- 1.16 Enter in or upon the land, or parts thereof, when posted as closed to entry by the Conservation Commission from time to time.

1.17 Commit any disorderly act, disturb the peace, or behave in such a manner as to interfere with the rightful enjoyment of the public to quiet and peaceful conservation land.

2.0 Enforcement Authorized

2.01 Any enforcing person taking cognizance of a violation of these rules may require the violator to provide his or her name and address. No person shall refuse or fail to provide his or her name and address upon the request of an enforcing person.

2.02 Any enforcing person taking cognizance of a violation of these rules, or having cause to believe any crime has been committed, may order the violator to leave the conservation land immediately and remain off the conservation land for a period of 24 hours. No person upon receiving such order shall refuse or fail immediately to leave the conservation land or, having left, no person shall enter the conservation land before the 24 hours period has expired.

3.0 Penalties

3.01 Any violation of these rules shall be punished by a fine of \$100, except that, in the event that the enforcing person issues a notice to appear in accordance with the non-criminal disposition procedure authorized by Town of Belmont General By-Laws 29.4.2, the fines for each offense shall be \$50.