

(b) *Permits.* Persons holding official permits for the use of established picnic groves in certain park areas shall be entitled to the exclusive use of such groves on the dates and between the hours specified in the permits. All persons not holding permits shall be required to vacate the groves upon the arrival of permit holders.

(c) *Garbage.* Picnic groves in park areas shall be left in a clean condition by persons using the groves. Garbage and refuse of all kinds shall be placed in receptacles provided for the purpose.

§ 50.15 Athletics.

(a) *Permits for set games.* Playing baseball, football, croquet, tennis, and other set games or sports in park areas except under official permit and upon the grounds provided for such purpose, is prohibited.

(b) *Wet grounds.* Persons holding official permits to engage in games and sports at certain times and at places authorized for this use in park areas are prohibited from exercising the privilege of play accorded by the permit if the grounds are wet or otherwise unsuitable for play without damage to the turf.

(c) *Golf and tennis; fees.* No person shall use golf and tennis facilities in park areas except by payment of the prescribed fee, if one is required, and in compliance with regulations approved by the Director. Use of public golf and tennis facilities is restricted to authorized players and persons accompanying them; trespassing, intimidating, harassing or otherwise interfering with authorized golf players, or interfering with the play of tennis players is prohibited.

(d) *Archery.* No bows and arrows shall be permitted in park areas, with the exception stated in § 50.49, except in places designated by order of the Superintendent.

(e) *Ice skating.* When ice is forming on the Tidal Basin, the Reflecting Pool, and other bodies of water within park areas, all persons shall abide by the directions of the Park Police as to when and where the ice shall be available for skating. When skating is allowed, all persons shall be under obligation to refrain from fast and reckless skating when such skating might endanger the life or limb of other persons.

§ 50.16 Model planes.

No model powered plane shall be flown from any park area unless authorized by an official permit.

§ 50.17 Gambling.

Gambling in any form, or the operation of gambling devices, whether for merchandise or otherwise in park areas, is prohibited.

§ 50.18 Hunting and fishing.

(a) *Hunting in park areas prohibited.* The parks are sanctuaries for wildlife of every sort and no person shall at any time or at any place within a park area, trap, catch, kill, injure, or pursue any wild birds or wild animals, except dangerous animals when it is necessary to prevent them from destroying human lives or inflicting personal injury, or destroy, remove or disturb the nest or eggs of any wild bird. The Superintendent is authorized to take necessary action to capture or destroy wildlife which is damaging Government property.

(b) *Unauthorized possession of wildlife.* Unauthorized possession within a park area of any live wild bird or animal, or the dead body or any part thereof, of any wild bird or animal shall be prima facie evidence that the person or persons having the same, are guilty of violating this section.

(c) *Fishing in park areas in Maryland and Virginia.* Persons fishing in areas under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service, lying within the geographical limits of Maryland or Virginia, must be licensed by and comply with the applicable State laws.

(d) *Fishing in park areas in the District of Columbia.* Persons fishing in waters in the District of Columbia controlled by the Secretary of the Interior shall comply with the fishing regulations for the District of Columbia approved by the Secretary of the Interior and adopted by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

(e) *Closing of waters.* During a period of emergency, just prior to and during special ceremonial events or competitive aquatic events, adjacent to docks and floats, or to prevent over-use by fishermen of waters open to fishing in areas administered by National Capital Parks, the Superintendent, in his discretion, may close to fishing all or any part of such open waters for such periods of time