



**RULES AND REGULATIONS
WATER WORKS PARK
AND
DALE MAFFITT RESERVOIR**

FIREARMS, FIREWORKS AND EXPLOSIVES No person shall use firearms, explosives, weapons, firecrackers, or fireworks of any character, unless permission has been granted by DMWW

FISHING is permitted by all legal methods outlined in the State Fishing Laws. See, Iowa Department of Natural Resources publication, *Iowa Fishing Regulations*.

PARK HOURS

Water Works Park
6:00 am to 10:00 pm

Dale Maffitt Reservoir
Daylight Savings Time: 6:00 am to 9:30pm
Standard Time: 7:00 am to 8:00 pm

CAMPING Overnight camping is not permitted except by special permission.

FIRES AND FIREPITS Fires are allowed only in existing picnic area fireplaces and picnic area grills. Grilling is allowed only on picnic area grills. No digging of fire pits or trenches is permitted

DESTRUCTION OF PLANT LIFE No person shall in any manner cut, deface, injure, or remove any tree, shrub, or plant. No person shall pick or destroy any flowers growing on Water Works' property.

DISORDERLY AND OBSCENE CONDUCT, NUISANCES No person shall use any loud, violent, obscene, or profane language; nor shall any person engage in disorderly or obscene conduct, or commit any nuisance on Water Works' property.

WASTE MATERIAL No person shall deposit upon or litter the ground with any form of waste material. All such waste material must be carried off the property or placed in trash receptacles provided.

PROPERTY DAMAGE No person shall destroy, injure, deface, or otherwise abuse any building, equipment, sign, or other natural or material property belonging to Des Moines Water Works.

DOMESTIC ANIMALS No dog or other animal brought into Water Works Park shall be allowed to run at large, except for dogs in designated off-leash areas. Animals shall be deemed running at large unless the owner carries the animal, or leads it by a leash not exceeding six feet in length, or keeps the animal confined in a wagon, automobile, or other vehicle. No leash is required for dogs or other animals at Maffitt Reservoir.

BRIDLE TRAILS All horses shall be kept on bridle trails and under control at all times. No person shall hitch a horse or other animal except at hitching rails where provided. In other areas, no horse or other animal shall be hitched to trees, shrubs, fences, etc. in such a manner as to result in property damage. Horses are not permitted in picnic areas.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES No all terrain vehicles (ATVs), snowmobiles, watercraft, or unlicensed recreational motor vehicles shall be permitted to operate on Water Works property or waters, except that canoes and kayaks with a valid use permit are allowed on Dale Maffitt Reservoir.

PERMITTED CANOES, KAYAKS AND STAND UP PADDLE BOARDS ON DALE MAFFITT RESERVOIR Canoes, kayaks and stand up paddle boards are allowed on Dale Maffitt Reservoir only with a valid use permit. No motors or propulsion by sail are allowed. Such use shall be in accordance with all state laws and regulations, including requirements for personal floatation devices, and is subject to state enforcement. No use by a person under the age of eighteen is permitted unless one person eighteen years of age or older is on board.

CLOSED AREAS No person shall enter upon closed portions of Water Works property in disregard of closed gates or signs forbidding the same.

RIVERS, PONDS, AND FOUNTAIN No person shall skate on the ice or swim in the waters of the Raccoon River or any natural or artificial body of water on Water Works property. Wading shall be considered swimming, except for fishing purposes. Launching of boats upon Des Moines Water Works property is not allowed, except that canoes and kayaks with a valid use permit are allowed on Dale Maffitt Reservoir

VEHICLE OPERATION No person shall ride or drive any motor vehicle in Water Works Park except upon the established roadways, and shall not exceed a speed limit of 20 miles per hour at any time nor exceed any other posted speed limit. All park roads are considered public thoroughfares, subject to the same traffic laws as city streets or county roads. All vehicles shall be operated as required by law, including the Code of Iowa, and applicable ordinances.

PARKING All vehicle parking shall be confined to designated parking areas where provided. Where parking areas are not provided, the parking of vehicles shall be parallel to the roadway. No vehicle shall be permitted to park in such a manner as to congest traffic or obstruct any roadway or drive.

BIKE/PEDESTRIAN TRAIL Multi-use recreational trails are open for use by the public at all times with the exception that portions of the trail system may be closed from time to time due to flooding, maintenance activities, or other circumstances. Closed sections of a trail shall not be used by the public. Use of the trail system after park hours is allowed, providing users stay on the trail at all times.

ENFORCEMENT These rules are enforced by Water Works staff and by law enforcement officials. All use of Water Works Park and Dale Maffitt Reservoir is subject to compliance with the rules, and such privilege may be terminated or suspended as provided in the Water Works Board Policy Manual. Terminations and suspensions hereunder shall not apply to rights of use of multi-use recreational trails, providing users stay on the trail at all times. **Any entry onto, or use of, Water Works Park or Dale Maffitt Reservoir in violation of a termination or suspension shall be deemed a trespass, and shall be subject to civil and criminal penalties for trespass as provided by law.**