

ORDINANCE NO. 715-2025

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE SPANISH FORT TOWN CENTER PARK IN THE CITY OF SPANISH FORT, ALABAMA

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council believe that it is in the best interest of the City to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens by establishing certain rules and regulations for the recreational facility known as the Spanish Fort Town Center Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPANISH FORT, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The following Rules and Regulations shall apply at the Spanish Fort Town Center Park:

Town Center Park Rules

General Rules and Regulations

1. Patrons shall obey all posted signage including, but not limited to, parking, handicap and traffic control signs.
2. No motorized vehicles on sidewalks or grass.
3. No bicycles, skates, skateboards, rollerblades, wheeled shoes or scooters.
4. No tobacco products.
5. No profanity.
6. No alcoholic beverages or illegal substances.
7. No archery or shooting sports.
8. No golf activities or hitting of golf balls.
9. Patrons assume all risk of injury, damage or loss sustained while on the premises.
10. No littering. Help keep our parks clean. Please place trash in receptacles provided.

Pickleball Rules

1. Courts are for pickleball play ONLY - vehicles, strollers, bikes, skateboards, roller skates, baseballs, softballs, frisbees, soccer balls, etc., are not allowed.
2. Tennis or soft-soled shoes are required. No black-soled shoes allowed.
3. Courts are first come, first serve. Please use the provided paddle holder system to determine groups and order of play on each court.
4. During peak times when courts are full, court time is limited to 45 minutes or two games to 11.
5. Patrons assume all risk of injury, damage or loss sustained
6. Courts are open from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
7. No unauthorized paid athletic services, including lessons, are permitted.
8. Do not place tables, chairs, tents, chalk, paint, tape or other adhesive materials on the playing surface.
9. No animals (except to assist a person with a disability).
10. No offensive or loud music.
11. Courts may be closed at any time for safety and maintenance.

Splash Pad Rules

1. The splashpad is unsupervised. Use at your own risk. Adult supervision is required for all children under 12 years of age.
2. No skateboards, scooters, bicycles or any wheeled items or motorized vehicles allowed on the splash pad, except for wheelchairs, strollers or walkers.
3. No running, horseplay or disorderly behavior.
4. No glass objects.
5. No pets are permitted (except to assist a person with a disability).

6. No food, drink, gum or candy on the splash pad surface.
7. Swim diapers are required for infants or children not fully toilet trained.
8. No street shoes are permitted on the splash pad. Bare feet or water-appropriate shoes only.
9. Persons with communicable or infectious diseases or illnesses are not allowed to use the splash pad.
10. If you see anyone urinating, or if you see fecal matter, call the City of Spanish Fort at 251-626-4884 from Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. After hours or on weekends, call the Spanish Fort Police Department at 251-626-4914.
11. No bathing, soap, dish detergent, shampoo or other similar type products allowed.
12. Do not use the splash pad when thunder and/or lightning is present in the area.
13. Splashpad hours are from 9:00 a.m. to dusk.

Playground Rules

1. The playground is unsupervised. Use at your own risk. Adult supervision required for all children under 12 years of age.
2. No food, drinks, candy or gum on the equipment or playground.
3. Playground hours are from 7:00 a.m. to dusk.
4. No disorderly behavior.
5. Do not use the playground when thunder and/or lightning is present in the area.
6. No skateboards, scooters, bicycles or any wheeled items or motorized vehicles allowed on the playground, except for wheelchairs, strollers or walkers.
7. Patrons assume all risk of injury, damage or loss while on the premises.

Pavilion Rules

1. The pavilion is not available for private reservations at this time.
2. Holding a birthday party or private event is allowed on a first come, first serve basis. Use of the pavilion by a party or private event is not exclusive.
3. In order to accommodate our visitors, no individual party or event may occupy more than 4 picnic tables at one time.
4. No alcohol may be consumed at the pavilion.
5. The pavilion is open from 7:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m.
6. The City of Spanish Fort reserves the right to close the pavilion at any time.
7. Users of the pavilion should clean and leave it in the same condition in which it was found.
8. Bouncy houses, dunk tanks, animals (except to assist a person with a disability), climbing walls or similar items are prohibited.
9. No decorations or other items may be attached to the pavilion with nails, staplers, tacking, etc.
10. No grills or open flame allowed.
11. No commercial activity allowed.

For assistance or questions during normal business hours call 251-626-4884 or after hours call 251-626-4914.

SECTION 2. Penalties. Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$500.00, and said person shall pay all remedial costs incurred by the City, or any other agency, involved in restoring the facility if found in violation of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. Repealer Clause. Any other ordinance heretofore adopted by the City Council of the City of Spanish Fort, Alabama, which is in conflict with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict

SECTION 4. Severability Clause. If any part, section or subdivision of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed to invalidate or impair the remainder of this Ordinance, which shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding such holding.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption or as otherwise required by state law.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Michael M. McMillan
Mayor

ATTEST:

Rebecca A. Gaines, CMC
City Clerk