

Park Usage Guidelines for Town of Raymond During Covid-19

The CDC has put this statement out on the use of Recreational Park Facilities:

"State and local authorities will decide whether parks and other recreational facilities will open. Check with the park in advance to be sure you know which areas or services are open, such as bathroom facilities and concessions, and bring what you need with you."

Below are the guidelines for the Town of Raymond's Parks Facilities.

- A. If a park, beach, or recreational facility is open for public use, visiting is permitted as long as you practice social distancing and everyday steps such as washing hands often and covering coughs and sneezes. The parks below are usable based on the ability for patrons to successfully socially distance themselves 6-feet apart:
 - a. Tassel Top Park
 - i. With the exception of picnic tables.
 - b. Raymond Beach
 - c. Crescent Beach
 - d. Sheri Gagnon Park
 - i. With the exception of the playground and basketball courts.
 - e. Boat Launches
 - i. To be used with family members and not as a gathering place.
 - f. Veterans Park
 - i. With the exception of picnic tables.

B. Don't use playgrounds or other park structures and amenities.

- a. Do not use playgrounds, located within local, state, or national parks. Using playgrounds might lead to the spread of COVID-19. They are often crowded and could easily exceed recommended guidance for gatherings.
- b. It can be challenging to keep surfaces clean and disinfected.
- c. The virus can spread when young children touch contaminated equipment and then touch their hands to their eyes, nose, or mouth.

C. Don't participate in organized activities or sports.

a. In general, most organized activities and sports such as basketball, baseball, soccer, and football that are held in park fields, open areas, and courts are not recommended. These activities and sports typically require coaches and athletes who are not from the same household or living unit to be in close proximity, which increases their potential for exposure to COVID-19.

D. Park access may change without notice.

- a. Please check these sources before heading to a Town of Raymond Park:
 - i. Website: www.raymondmaine.org
 - ii. Facebook Pages: "Town of Raymond, Maine", "Raymond Recreation Department", "Tassel Top Park".