

# WINNEBAGO COUNTY PARKS DEPARTMENT POLICY FOR USE OF BOUNCE HOUSES AND OTHER SIMILAR AIR INFLATED STRUCTURES

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures for use of "bounce houses" and other similar air inflated structures on Winnebago County Parks properties.

## DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this policy, air inflated structures will include any temporary air inflated structure used for recreational purposes including but not limited to bouncing in, sliding down, climbing up or running through.

## PROCEDURES

1. The user/sponsor of the air inflated structures shall inform the Parks Department of their intentions to use a bounce house or other similar air inflated structure on county owned property a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to its set-up date. As a prerequisite to the use of an air inflated structure, the user/sponsor shall be required to secure a site in the park through rental of a park shelter or the pavilion. Thereafter, the user/sponsor shall be responsible for ensuring that the air inflated structure is placed within a designated area near the rental unit as shown on the attached map.
2. Use of a park electrical service to inflate or support the activities of an air inflated structure is prohibited.
3. The user/sponsor of the air inflated structure shall sign a waiver, indemnifying the Winnebago County from any liability from the moving, setup, operational use or take down of the air inflated structure.
4. The user/sponsor of the air inflated structure shall provide a certificate of liability insurance with a minimum general aggregate limit of \$2,000,000 naming Winnebago County, its officers, council members, agents, employees, and authorized volunteers as "Additional Insured" on the policy.
5. The user/sponsor of the air inflated structure will follow all recommended rules and regulations associated with the moving, setup, operational use, or take down of the air inflated structure.
6. The user/sponsor of the air inflated structure will be financially responsible for any damage caused to any Parks owned property associated with the moving, setup, operational use, or take down of the air inflated structure. Given the Parks Director's discretion, a security deposit of up to \$500 may be required in advance of the user/sponsor event in order to address said damages.
7. Provided the rental unit is not previously scheduled for occupancy, the user/sponsors shall be allowed to prepare for the activation of an air inflated structure up to 24 hours before the user's/sponsor's event provided the early set-up takes place on a weekday. Said preparations shall be allowed at no charge and shall be limited to the set-up and testing of the air inflated device only. The

user/sponsor is required to inform the Parks Department of the intent to utilize the early set-up date at the time of their facility reservation. Parties utilizing an air inflated structure during a Sunday event who require a Saturday set-up shall be charged the full rental fee for both Saturday and Sunday.

8. At the time of the facility reservation, the user/sponsor is responsible for informing the Parks Department of the intended use of any stakes, rods, etc. that are to be driven into the park grounds as part of the process of erecting an air inflated structure.
9. With the exception of Fridays and Saturdays, the user/sponsor is responsible for ensuring that all air inflated structures associated with their event are disassembled and entirely removed from the park property within 24 hours following the conclusion of their event. Failure to remove all remnants of the air inflated structure may entail the forfeiture of up to \$100 per day for each 24 hour period that ensues thereafter.
10. Parties utilizing an air inflated structure on a Friday or Saturday are required to entirely remove the structure by the end of the same day or subsequently pay a \$100 dollar fee. Forfeiture of an additional \$100 shall apply for each 24 hour period that ensues thereafter.