

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG
BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING SECTIONS
16.16.015 AND 16.16.017, ALL RELATING TO
SKATEBOARDING

The City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as follows:

Section 1. Section 16.16.015 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is
amended to read as follows:

16.16.015 - Designated Skatepark.

A. "Designated Skatepark" means an area within a park or other
public property which is posted as a skatepark permitting one or more skate
activities, and which is reserved exclusively, either during all hours of
operation, or during posted times, for one or more skate activities.

B. "Director" means the director of parks, recreation and marine or
his designee.

C. "Skate activity" means the use of any non-motorized
recreational apparatus with wheels.

D. "Skater" means any person participating in a skate activity.

E. The director is authorized to temporarily designate an area on
any public property as a designated skatepark.

F. Skaters must wear a safety helmet, elbow pads and kneepads
at all times while participating in a skate activity within a designated
skatepark.

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G. No person, other than a skater as authorized and posted pursuant to section 16.16.017, is permitted within a designated skatepark, except that spectators may sit or stand in areas designated for that purpose.

H. No organized activity, event or competition shall take place in any designated skatepark without the written permission of the director.

I. No portion of any designated skatepark may be modified, altered, or added to in any manner without the written permission of the director.

J. Skate activities are limited within the designated skatepark to surfaces, equipment or obstacles installed for that purpose. No skate activity is permitted on walls or other boundary structures or seating areas immediately surrounding or adjoining the designated skatepark.

K. Children under the age of fourteen (14) are not permitted to use skateparks without adult supervision.

L. All non-motorized recreational apparatus with wheels shall be in good working order, properly equipped and in a condition which does not cause mud or dirt to be deposited in the skatepark.

M. The director is authorized to post additional rules he determines are necessary for the safe operation of the designated skatepark.

A violation of this section shall be an infraction punishable by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a first offense and not more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for a second offense within a twelve (12) month period. Three (3) or more violations of this section within a twelve (12) month period may be charged as a misdemeanor.

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1 Section 2. Section 16.16.017 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is
2 amended to read as follows:

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4 16.16.017 Non-motorized recreational apparatus with wheels in
5 designated skateparks.

6 A. "Bike Rider" means a person using a non-motorized recreational
7 apparatus with wheels in a designated skatepark.

8 B. "Non-motorized recreational apparatus with wheels" means any
9 type of recreational or sports apparatus without a motor that is propelled by
10 human force and moves on wheels, such as a bicycle, skateboard, scooter,
11 in-line skates, etc.

12 C. "Director" means the director of parks, recreation and marine or
13 his designee.

14 D. All non-motorized recreational apparatus with wheels shall be in
15 good working order, properly equipped and in a condition which does not
16 cause mud or dirt to be deposited in the skatepark.

17 E. On a trial basis, the utilization of non-motorized recreational
18 apparatus with wheels is permitted in all City owned skateparks during hours
19 determined by the director.

20 F. Bike Riders must wear a safety helmet, elbow pads and
21 kneepads at all times while riding within the skatepark.

22 G. The director is authorized to post additional rules he determines
23 are necessary for the safe operation of the designated skatepark.

24 H. The director shall have the discretion to terminate the pilot
25 program prior to its scheduled conclusion.

26 I. This section shall cease to be of any effect on February 28,
27 2013, unless extended.

28 A violation of this section shall be an infraction punishable by a fine of

1 not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a first offense and not more
2 than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for a second offense within a twelve (12)
3 month period. Three (3) or more violations of this section within a twelve (12)
4 month period may be charged as a misdemeanor.

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6 Section 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by
7 the City Council and cause it to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of
8 Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after it is approved by the
9 Mayor.

10 I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the City
11 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of February 14, 2012,
12 by the following vote:

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14 Ayes: Councilmembers: Garcia, DeLong, O'Donnell, Schipske,
15 Andrews, Johnson, Gabelich, Neal,
16 Lowenthal.

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19 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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21 Absent: Councilmembers: None.

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City Clerk

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27 Approved: 2/17/12
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(Date)

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Mayor

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