



TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN

PRESS RELEASE

OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

ADDITIONAL PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES REOPEN

JUNE 4, 2020: The South Kingstown Parks and Recreation Department is pleased to announce the following Phase II updates, related to facilities and programs. Members of the public are reminded to follow mandated gathering limits (currently 15), social distancing, and all State and local Executive Orders.

Parks and Recreation Reopenings:

- Parking Lots and Restroom facilities at all Town parks are now open.
- All tennis courts are open (previous singles play only restriction is lifted).
- Old Mountain Field Skate Park and Dog Park are open (opened May 8th).
- Athletic fields are open and available for reservations and field use permits for groups of 15 or less. Organizations must provide a safety plan that addresses COVID-19 precautions, as a requirement for permit issuance. Please refer to www.ReopeningRI.com for guidance.

The South Kingstown Town Beach is open on weekends until June 15th, when it will open full time for the 2020 Summer Season, with reduced capacity and restrictions. For more information on the beach, please visit the Town's website.

The South Kingstown Parks and Recreation Summer Camp Guide 2020 is available online, and summer camp online registration is open and can be found online. All camps will follow State guidelines related to COVID-19.

- Summer Camp Guide: <http://southkingstownri.com/DocumentCenter/View/4329/Summer-Camp-Guide-2020->
- Summer Camp online registration: <https://parksandrec.southkingstownri.com/default.aspx>

Please note the Neighborhood Guild and the Community Recreation Center, as well as all Town playgrounds and basketball courts remain closed.

Town of South Kingstown employee park monitors will be observing levels of activity at our Parks and Recreation facilities. The public's cooperation and understanding is requested as the Town moves towards continued loosening of restrictions at our Parks and Recreation facilities. We recognize the importance of getting outside, getting fresh air, and getting exercise, however we need the public to follow appropriate social distancing, gathering limits, and facility usage restrictions still in place.

Guidance for Members of the Public: During this pandemic, all residents are strongly advised to minimize their risk through the use of social distancing. The Governor has ordered that cloth face coverings which cover the mouth and nose are to be worn when at work and when in public (indoor and outdoor), however the wearing of cloth face masks does not eliminate or reduce the need to abide by social distancing requirements. Residents should remain home if you are sick (with any symptoms). Gatherings have been limited to not more than 15 people, and be advised that even when gathering in small numbers, social distancing guidance is to maintain a distance of at least 6 feet from other people. Travelers to (or back to) Rhode Island from locations with a stay-at-home order (or similar) are required to self-quarantine for 14 days. Residents are strongly advised to stay up to date on the Federal, State, and local response to and guidance on, the evolving COVID-19 situation. Please visit the Town's COVID-19 webpage for up to date information and links to Federal, State, and local resources www.southkingstownri.com/998/COVID-19. For additional updates from the Town, as well as information and resources related to COVID-19, we encourage residents to visit www.southkingstownri.com. Updates and information will also be shared via the Town's official Facebook page, www.facebook.com/southkingstownri. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.