



SPRAY FOUNTAINS DEPARTMENT POLICY

PURPOSE:

Spray Features are located in some parks to be used by the reservation holder of a shelter or picnic site, or for park visitors as a way of cooling off when the summertime temperatures are extremely hot.

POLICY:

It is the policy of the St. Louis County Department of Parks and Recreation to provide and manage spray features at selected park sites.

PROCEDURE:

Spray features will be functional from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

The Park Department has two different spray feature systems.

Older spray features do not have timers and must be turned on and off by park's staff. These spray features were originally installed to be used by the park's day camp program and were operated by the staff. Shut-offs are usually located in a pit in the chase of the closest restroom.

Older spray features will be turned on at Noon (or a close reasonable time) by park operations under the following conditions:

- When the temperature reaches 90 degrees
and
- there are children on the playground
or
- the reservation holder makes a request of Park Staff or Rangers.

Older spray features will be turned off at 8:00pm by Park Rangers.

Old Spray Feature Systems:

- Bohrer, Bon Oak, Castlepoint and Mathilda-Welmering – if staff returns and the spray feature is not being used, it will be turned off.

Newer spray features have user activated systems and backup timers. The backup system helps insure that a user activated system does not malfunction and run all night. The timers should be set to turn the water on at Noon and turn the water off at 8:00pm.

New Spray Feature Systems

- Creve Coeur – there are two spray features,
 - Corporate Site #1 (Main Shelter) - new spray feature, to help save water this spray feature is only functional on Saturday, Sunday and holidays, user operated with an override shut-off. There is a sign directing patrons to Corporate Site #2 when this spray feature is not operational.
 - Corporate Site #2 (Branwood Shelter) - new spray feature, this spray feature is available 7 days a week, Memorial Day thru Labor Day, user operated with an override shut-off.
- Lemay – the spray feature is on a timer and turns on and off automatically
- Sylvan Springs – new spray feature, user operated with an override shut-off.
- Tilles – new spray feature, user operated with an override shut-off.

Newer spray features should be checked frequently by Park Staff and Rangers to insure that they are functioning properly.

Director

Date

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