



City of Powell Parks and Recreation Department

Frequently Asked Questions

How many parks does Powell have and where are they located?

The City of Powell currently operates 8 park sites.

1. **Adventure Park** - 60 Village Park Drive: The home of the OSA swimming pool, the Adventure Park Recreation Facility and Parks Department, the skate park, basketball courts, restrooms, two gazebos, a playground and playing fields.
2. **Arbor Ridge Park** - 500 Bennett Parkway (at the corner of Bennett and Powell Road): Large playground, bike paths, tennis courts, restrooms and green space.
3. **Beechwood Park** located behind Scioto Ridge Elementary School: A heavily-wooded, nature preserve with walking trails and educational areas – no restrooms.
4. **Library Park** - 420 South Liberty Street: Home to a branch of the Delaware County Library, baseball field, soccer fields, bike paths, shady picnic area, restrooms with overhang shelter, tether ball and four-square.
5. **Meadowview Park** - 329 Ashmoore Drive: A public park with no on-site parking, accessible by pedestrian pathways, located in the Ashmoore Subdivision, large pond, playgrounds, bike paths and green space – no restrooms.
6. **Murphy Park** - 47 Murphy Parkway: Located on the former site of Murphy's Party Barn behind Handel's Ice Cream, two playgrounds, large gazebo, green space with mature trees, restrooms, bocce ball and horseshoes – bring your own bocce balls and/or horse shoes.
7. **Oak Park** - South Liberty Street across the street from Library Park: This site is an ongoing development with a wetland and natural area.
8. **Village Green Park** - 47 Hall Street: Located adjacent to the City of Powell Municipal Offices, amphitheater, pond with fountain, playground splash pad, bike trails and green space. Public restrooms for the park are located adjacent to the Police Department entrance on the east side of the building. **Please do not send children into the building unattended. Shoes are required.**

What are the hours of parks operation?

Parks are open from dawn to dusk daily.

Are pets permitted in the parks?

Yes, provided they are on a leash and at all times under the control of the handler. The handler must have on hand materials and be prepared to clean up after the pet.



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Can the shelter buildings/gazebos in the parks be reserved for a private function?

Yes. Certain restrictions and fees apply. Please call City offices at 614.885.5380 ext. 1001 for availability. Fee information is included on page 5 of this document.

Do I have to have a reservation to hold a birthday party, picnic, etc. in the gazebos or shelters?

No, however, there is no guarantee that you will have the facility to yourself for private use. All park patrons will be welcome to use the facility as well.

Can athletic fields and courts in the parks be reserved?

Yes, however, space is extremely limited and fees apply. Please call the Powell Parks and Recreation Department at 614.885.9820, ext. 2 for availability. Fee information is included on page 5 of this document.

Can the Splash Pad be reserved for a private function?

No.

Can the amphitheatre be reserved for a private function?

Please call Jeff Snyder, Director of Parks, Recreation and Public Service at 614.885.9820 ext. 1067 for further information.

Is alcohol permitted in the parks?

For the most part, the answer is no. Powell City Council, however, does have the authority to permit alcohol in the parks for special occasions such as the annual Powell Festival. Nonetheless, park patrons are not permitted to bring alcohol into the parks for casual consumption.

What are the hours of operation for the Splash Pad?

Scheduled hours of operation are 9AM – 9PM daily. Unfortunately, the Splash Pad tends to experience mechanical problems. This typically does not cause a major interruption during the staff working hours of 8 AM – 3PM, Monday through Friday. If mechanical problems occur during this time, it is typically only 15 to 20 minutes after staff is alerted that the problem is remedied and the Splash Pad is back up and running. The weekends, however, may see significant delays in the operation of the Splash Pad based on staff notification and availability.

The City website (www.cityofpowell.us) will be updated with the most current information regarding operation of the Splash Pad. Please refer to the home page for updates.



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What else can you tell me about the Splash Pad?

The Splash Pad is one of the most popular features of our park system. This means it is typically crowded. The area offers limited shade so be sure to wear sunscreen. There is also limited seating so you may wish to bring a beach towel or folding chair on which to sit. Public restrooms for the park are located adjacent to the Police Department entrance on the east side of the building. **Please do not send children into the building unattended. Shoes are required.**

Young children must wear swim diapers and no food is permitted on or immediately around the Splash Pad. No shoes are permitted on the Splash Pad and children should enter the pad with as clean feet as possible. There are two surface drains on the Splash Pad – they clog easily. Grass, leaves, mulch and rocks will all readily clog these drains and parents should do their best to ensure that these items are removed from the Splash Pad's surface. Parking for the Splash Pad is located in the parking lot in front the Municipal Building. Please only use this lot for parking and not the private lots adjacent to the Splash Pad. These lots are for private business and violators a subject to towing.

Why are their small bowls at the base of the water fountains in the parks?

These are actually "pet bowls." That is, they are intended for dogs and the like to drink from. They are not intended for small children. Please do not allow children to drink from them.

Is the activity at the skate park supervised?

No. This is a "Skate at your own risk" facility.

What else can you tell me about the Skate Park?

Our new skate park is 17,000 square feet of concrete. It is located in Adventure Park next to the Recreation Facility. There are beginner, intermediate and advanced areas. The park is for skate boarding and rollerblading only – no bicycles are permitted. This is also one of the more popular features of the park system and tends to be crowded. Young children and beginning skaters should be supervised and personal safety equipment, including a helmet, is required for all skaters. No food or drink is permitted in the skate park itself. There is a small gazebo adjacent to the skate park along with a water fountain and several trash cans. Litter laws are strictly enforced at the skate park so please be sure to utilize the trash cans. A public pay phone is located at the OSA swimming pool next to the skate park along with a parking lot.



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Who owns the swimming pool located in the middle of Adventure Park?

The pool is a private facility owned and operated by the Olentangy Swim Association. The City of Powell is not involved with its operation. To get information on season passes or swim lessons call OSA at 614.846.6112 or visit their website at www.osa.org.

How often are the trash receptacles in the parks emptied?

Daily. Often prior to 10 AM.

How often are the parks mowed?

During the growing season the parks are mowed every seven to ten days or as needed.

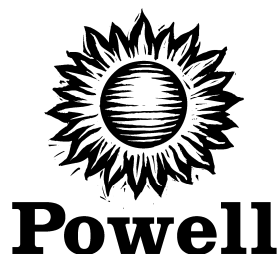
What is a park liaison?

In an effort to be proactive in the operations of our parks, the City of Powell Parks and Recreation Advisory Board members have volunteered to serve as "park liaisons." These positions are intended to facilitate communications about our park system and to help ensure that the parks are maintained in a safe and clean manner. Park liaisons have been assigned to each of the parks and will most likely be able to help you get the answers to your questions. You can contact any park liaison by emailing them at parks@ci.powell.oh.us.

Who do I contact if I have a question, comment or concern about the park system and/or the maintenance thereof?

If you would like to alert the park liaisons of an ongoing issue, you can email them at parks@ci.powell.oh.us. If you are interested in information about parks and recreation programming, you can contact either our offices or the park liaisons.

**Please call the City of Powell Parks & Recreation Department
if you have further questions:
614.885-9820.**



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Athletic Field/Shelter Reservation Fees**

Baseball field (lined) - 90 minutes	Resident \$30.00, Nonresident \$45.00
Baseball field (unlined) - 90 minutes	Resident \$10.00, Non-resident \$25.00
Basketball court (full) - 60 minutes	Resident \$10.00, Non-resident \$40.00
Basketball court (half) - 60 minutes	Resident \$5.00, Non-resident \$20.00
Shelter (Monday - Thursday) - 60 minutes .	Resident \$10.00, Non-resident \$25.00
Shelter (Friday - Sunday) - 60 minutes	Resident \$15.00, Non-resident \$30.00
Tennis Court - 60 minutes	Resident \$10.00, Non-resident \$25.00
Soccer field (half)* - 90 minutes	Resident \$10.00, Non-resident \$25.00
Soccer field (full)* - 90 minutes	Resident \$20.00, Non-resident \$50.00
Amphitheatre** - 60 minutes	Resident \$30.00, Non-resident \$100.00

* Soccer field may not be reserved for more than two (2) 90 minutes sessions per week per team.

** Amphitheatre reservation requires a \$150.00 refundable deposit.

*LONG TERM usage or other special uses will be considered.
The Parks & Recreation Director has the authority to negotiate those usage charges.*

**To reserve Athletic Fields, please contact Silas Bowers, Park Supervisor,
at sbowers@cityofpowell.us or 614.885.9820, ext. 2.**

**To reserve Shelters or the Village Green Amphitheatre, please contact Anne Vogel,
Secretary/Receptionist at avogel@cityofpowell.us or 614.885.5380, ext. 1001.**