

WESTMINSTER PARK

An Outreach Ministry of Westminster Presbyterian Church

I. VISION

- a. Westminster Park is a spiritual refuge, which fosters personal relationships with God and equips us to disciple through fellowship, education and recreation.

II. Purpose

- a. Westminster Park is a place where our members and their guests can enjoy and appreciate the beauty of God's natural creation, while developing a deeper relationship with Him and with one another.
- b. It is a place for bringing together our congregation for worship as followers of Christ, for spiritual development, for fellowship, for fun and recreation – a place to be in fellowship with God.
- c. It is a place where our children will build and exercise Christian character as they mature.
- d. And it is a place where community outreach ministries flourish, giving us the opportunity to grow as disciples by sharing our faith in Jesus Christ, so that others too may glorify God and enjoy Him forever.

Reservation Procedure: All requests to use Westminster Park should be made to the Westminster Presbyterian Church Business Office. Groups using Westminster Park will receive a copy of this document as well as a reservation form/contract. Please read, sign, and return this contract to the Westminster Business Office. Your reservation will not be placed on the calendar until we receive the signed contract any applicable security deposits. Please call Kim Hinson in the Business Office at 803.366.3107, or email Kim at khinson@wpcgo.com, if you have any questions or changes.

Usage Policies

Groups will be held responsible for observing the following policies. Westminster Park reserves the right to remove from the facility anyone who does not abide by these rules. *Groups using Westminster Park must have a minimum of 2 adults (21 years or older) present during park use. Parents, guardians and chaperones are responsible for the supervision of their children.*

- 1. SMOKING/TOBACCO PRODUCTS:** These use of these products are prohibited on the Westminster Park grounds.
- 2. ALCOHOL/DRUGS:** The use of alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs at Westminster Park is prohibited.
- 3. FIREWORKS/FIREARMS:** Possession on the property of fireworks, firearms, weapons, ammunition, explosives and poisonous substances are prohibited (unless special permission has been granted in writing).
- 4. RECREATIONAL VEHICLES:** The use of 2-wheel & 4-wheel motorized recreational vehicles is prohibited except on gravel roads.
- 5. HEALTH CARE:** Your group is responsible for providing someone who is certified in First Aid and CPR, providing a First Aid Kit and a vehicle designated for transportation in case of an emergency. The First Aid Kit should be kept in a central place for the group. If an accident occurs, it shall be reported to the Westminster Park staff. Insurance coverage is the responsibility of the guest and/or the sponsoring group.
- 6. QUIET TIME:** Hours of rest and quiet time for all guests and staff are essential. From 10:00 pm to 8:00 am, all guests are asked to observe quiet hours. Any exception to this must be arranged in advance with the Westminster Church office or Westminster Park Manager.

- 7. DAMAGES/LOST PERSONAL ITEMS:** Accidents do happen; please report them immediately to the host on duty. Groups will be charged for damages based on material and labor cost for repairs and/or replacement. Westminster Park is not responsible for lost or damaged personal equipment.
- 8. SECURITY:** The front gate is closed and accessible with keypad access overnight. This is to protect the Westminster Park property and to provide security for the group. Please give advance notice if you will be arriving or departing between 11:00 pm and 7:00 am.
- 9. PARKING:** Please park and unload vehicles in designated parking areas. The park speed is 16 mph. Watch out for children and wildlife at all times.
- 10. CLEANUP:** Each group is responsible for litter pick-up after the event. No trash bags are to be left in the park. An on-site dumpster is available for your convenience. Replacement bags are located at the bottom of each can. "Pack it in, pack it out." "No trace usage policy." Please leave your area better than when you arrived.
- 11. SWIMMING:** Swimming is permitted in the river. Please swim at your own risk.
- 12. FIRES:** Fires are allowed only in designated areas. No open burning. DO not leave unattended! All fires shall be cold to the touch, prior to leaving.
- 13. FISHING:** Fishing is permitted in the Catawba River with a valid South Carolina fishing license.
- 14. BOATING/CANOEING/KAYAKING:** Personal Flotation Devices must be worn by all participants.
- 15. PLANTS and WILDLIFE:** Westminster Park is a natural, environmentally friendly setting to be enjoyed by all visitors. Do not cut or damage any living trees, plants or vegetation. Please do not attempt to feed or threaten any wildlife.
- 16. OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** For mixed youth group camping, at least two counselors (adult leaders-male & female) must accompany each of the groups.
- 17. ACTIVITY AREAS:** Use of Westminster Park is open to those areas which have been assigned to your group. More than one group may be present. Check with the Park Manger for available facility use. If anyone is found in an unauthorized area, they may be asked to leave.
- 18. PETS:** Pets are permitted in Westminster Park. Please keep dogs on a leash when around large activities
- 19. PROHIBITED ITEMS:** Please note that no inflatables are permitted on Westminster Park property, nor are liquid flammables.
- 20. PAYMENT OF FEES:** If a fee is applied, payment may be made via check made out to Westminster Presbyterian Church or can be made online at <https://pushpay.com/g/wpcgorockhill> or by scanning the QR code below.



Please Have a Safe and Enjoyable Activity!