



City of Malibu

Community Services Department

Skate Park Code of Conduct

The Malibu Community Services Department offers recreational programs, activities, services, events, and park facilities for the Malibu community. The Skate Park Code of Conduct ("Code of Conduct") provides guidelines to help maintain a safe and welcoming environment for all participants, parents, volunteers, and City staff. Participants are expected to adhere to the standards noted in this Code of Conduct at all times and conduct themselves appropriately while utilizing the Skate Park.

The Skate Park is a space for participants of all ages. Children 12 years of age and under must be supervised by a parent or guardian while using the Skate Park. Participants must wear a helmet and skate pads at all times while inside the Skate Park, and equipment may not be shared between participants. Participants are only allowed to skate inside of the Skate Park and may not skate in areas surrounding the Skate Park, including the Drop-Off/Pick-Up, Parking Area, or Malibu Bluffs Park.

Standards of Conduct

All Skate Park participants and parents are expected to:

- Be respectful and courteous to other participants and parents
- Follow all Skate Park and City of Malibu rules
- Understand that modifications may be made to Skate Park operating hours and reservations
- Comply with direction from staff and abide by established grievance procedures, if a violation is committed
- Be respectful of City facilities, equipment, and property
- Be considerate of neighboring properties

Violations

City staff reserves the right to remove any participant from the Skate Park and Malibu Bluffs Park who violate the Code of Conduct. Participants who violate the Code of Conduct will be subject to the consequences, including but not limited to:

- Actions or behavior that negatively impacts or denies other participants and parents the ability to safely and respectfully enjoy the Skate Park
- Verbal threats or physical altercations with other participants, parents, or City staff
- Refusal to obey Skate Park rules or direction from City staff

- Destruction or vandalism of equipment or property belonging to the City or the private property adjacent to the Skate Park
- Trespassing anytime during hours when the Skate Park is closed
- Trespassing on any portion of the private property adjacent to the Skate Park
- Loud, inappropriate, or offensive behavior or language
- Harassment, discrimination, or bullying of any kind, including, but not limited to age, race, national origin, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or political affiliation
- Rude or discourteous behavior toward participants, parents, or City staff
- Any activity that negatively affects the health or safety of participants, volunteers, or City Staff
- Violations of City, County, State, or Federal law while on City property
- Possession or use alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs or non-prescribed controlled substances while on City property
- Inappropriate and/or revealing attire

Consequences of Violating the Code of Conduct

The City reserves the right to remove and suspend any participant who violates the Code of Conduct. Suspensions may include revocation of privileges to use the Skate Park.

Violations of the Code of Conduct will be addressed in the following manner:

1st Offense: Verbal Warning

2nd Offense: One Day Suspension

3rd Offense: Up to One Month Suspension

Final Offense: Long-Term or Permanent Suspension

City staff will document all violations. Beginning with the 2nd offense, the participant and their parent/guardian if under 18 years of age will be required to meet with the Community Services Director or their designee to discuss the violation and, if applicable, any corrective action deemed necessary by the City before the participant's Skate Park privileges will be reinstated. A written notice will also be provided to the participant documenting the suspension and corrective action taken.

Further violations may result in a long-term or permanent suspension of the participant's Skate Park privileges.

Immediate Suspension

Notwithstanding the above, participants may receive an immediate suspension and suspension of privileges if the violation is serious in nature, as determined by the Community Services Director or their designee. Such violations include, but are not limited to:

- Violations related to the safety or well-being of participants, volunteers, City staff, other persons, or City property
- Violations placing other participants, parents, City staff, other persons, or City property in imminent danger
- Violations involving law enforcement personnel

City staff will document the suspension. The participant will be required to meet with the Community Services Director or their designee to discuss the suspension and, if applicable, any corrective action deemed necessary by the City before the participant's Skate Park privileges are reinstated. If the participant is under the age of 18, the participant's parent or guardian must also attend the meeting. At the discretion of the Community Services Director or their designee, a written long-term or permanent suspension will be given to the participant explaining the violation and the length of the suspension. Failure to meet with the Community Services Director or their designee will be grounds for a permanent suspension.

Appeal Process

Participants have the right to appeal a suspension to the City Manager or their designee within 14 days of the decision. Participants must submit the appeal in writing by e-mail or mail to the City Manager:

E-Mail:

Steve McClary
Interim City Manager
SMcClary@MalibuCity.org

Mail:

City of Malibu
Attn: Interim City Manager
23825 Stuart Ranch Road
Malibu, CA 90265

After the appeal is reviewed, the City Manager will contact the participant and their parent or guardian to discuss the suspension. The participant will not be allowed to return to the Skate Park until the investigation and appeal process is completed.