

ORANGE COUNTY



Department of Environment, Agriculture, Parks & Recreation

Status of Orange County Parks Updates –October 5, 2020

Additional changes are being implemented related to State's Phase 3 reopening plan, with some adjustments. The adjustments below were instituted by all County and municipal parks across Orange County beginning Friday October 3rd..

We continue to evaluate conditions with our municipal partners for future openings and/or procedures. Our current changes, openings, and closures include the following:

Changes that took effect Friday October 3rd

- Outdoor gathering limits have been increased to 50 persons. However, special limitations for basketball courts and ballfields may apply – see signage at the park.
- Advanced reservations and first come usage (when not reserved) of picnic shelters with a maximum limit of 50 people (where capacity allows) with appropriate physical distancing and face coverings.

What is Open and What is Closed?

OPEN Outdoor Parks Facilities

Parks and trails, with posted guidelines*

Restrooms, on a delayed basis. Please bring hand sanitizer as parks with port-a-lets have limited supplies

Picnic tables/benches (When possible, disinfect picnic tables/benches before each use and socially distance)

Tennis courts (Fairview Park) - singles and doubles play, with guidelines*

Playgrounds are open – with daily cleaning only. Hand sanitizer stations have been located at the playgrounds but we cannot guarantee supply – we urge users to bring their own hand sanitizer.

Athletic fields (with limitations)

Basketball courts (with limitations)

CLOSED Outdoor Park Amenities

Athletic fields

Basketball courts

CLOSED Indoor Facilities

All indoor recreation facilities including gymnasiums, and facility rentals by outside groups. Administrative office (telephone 919-245-2660 answered remotely)

The Orange County Sportsplex has some facilities open – please check www.oc-sportsplex.com for specific details.

Currently Open Parks

Blackwood Farm Park (Thurs-Sun), Cedar Grove Park, Efland- Cheeks Park, Fairview Park, Little River Park, Hollow Rock Nature Park, and Seven Mile Creek Natural Area remain open - some with limited facilities available.

The Soccer.com Center remains closed.

Recreation Opportunities

Orange County is running several virtual recreation programs at this time. For the Recreation Division's special virtual offerings please visit @OrangeCountyNCRec on FaceBook or www.orangecountync.gov.