

PARKS & RECREATION ICE RINK USE GUIDELINES

It is the goal of the Parks & Recreation Department to provide recreational opportunities for Teton County/Jackson residents and visitors during the summer and winter months, while supporting and promoting youth recreational organizations in the community. To this end the following Ice Rink Use policy and guidelines will be followed to strike an equitable balance of use for both the public and group/individual reservations.

Purpose:

To ensure the proper balance of use of the public Ice Rinks for the public and group/individual reservations. Rinks included in this policy at time of adoption are: Fairgrounds, Owen Bircher, Powderhorn and Alta rinks.

Ice Rinks are available to the public during normal park hours. There will be times during large or prolonged snow events that ice rinks may not be cleared or maintained until the early afternoon or following day. The Parks and Recreation Department will rent ice rinks from time to time to support our local youth sports programs, department programming (Broomball) and individual or group requests. Reservations must be made at least 72 hours in advance. Reservations can be made starting November 1 each year.

Season:

Ice rinks are generally available for use from early December through March 1 and are weather dependent.

Hours of Operation & Dedicated Use Times:

Fairgrounds Rink	11:00AM – 9:00PM	7 days per week
Owen Bircher Rink	11:00AM – 9:00PM	7 days per week
<i>Family Skate</i>	12:00PM – 2:00PM	<i>(No sticks or pucks)</i>
<i>Tues/Wed/Fri</i>	6:00PM – 9:00PM	<i>Pickup Hockey Only</i>
Powderhorn Rink*	12:00PM – 9:00PM	7 days per week
Alta Rink	12:00PM – Dusk	7 days per week

Lights are on from sunset to 9:00PM at each location with the exception of the Alta Ice Rink.

Signage/Communication:

Parks & Recreations posts hours of operations, regular communication and reservation information on the department website. Reservations are updated in real time on the Ice Rinks Calendar located on the P&R website. X formerly Twitter is used for daily, periodic, and general updates and is linked to the department website (@TCPRRINKS). Reservations shall be posted on sight at the specific rink as updated. Reservation postings are located at the entrance to the Fairgrounds and on the warming hut at Owen Bircher rink.

Rink Rules & Guidelines:

- **Reservation holders must possess proof of payment (receipt), other patrons are expected to vacate the ice at the request of valid reservation holders.**
- **IT WILL BE THE DISCRETION OF THE RESERVATION HOLDER TO SHARE THE ICE SURFACE; THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS EXPECTED TO RESPECT THE WISHES OF THE RESERVATION HOLDER**
- Outdoor rink availability is subject to the weather.
- Alcohol, glass containers, chewing tobacco food or other beverages are not permitted on the ice.
- All users shall cooperate in sharing the ice.
- Skating in a manner that endangers or interferes with other skaters' safety or pleasure is strictly prohibited.
- Exits shall be kept clear at all times.
- No dogs or pets of any kind are permitted on the ice.
- Violation of these guidelines may result in suspension of rink usage.
- Patrons that refuse to vacate the ice for a valid reservation holder may be subject to a trespass violation.

Reservation Fees:

Non-Profit Organizations	\$10 per hour	\$30 for 4 hours
Commercial Organizations/Camps/ Charging Admission	\$25 per hour	\$100 per day

Reservation Guidelines:

To ensure adequate public access while allowing for limited exclusive use of ice rinks, the following reservation policy has been implemented by Teton County/Jackson Parks & Recreation.

****Parks & Recreation will consider reservations outside of the following parameters with the submittal of a 'Park, Special Event, and Field Use Request' form application at least one week in advance of the proposed event date.****

Fairgrounds Ice Rink:**Monday - Thursday**

- Operating Hours are 11:00AM – 9:00PM
- No reservations will be taken Monday through Thursday
- Parks & Recreation Programming (such as Broomball) will have access to the Fairgrounds Rink in the evenings and the schedule will be posted and updated on the Ice Rink Calendar.

Friday – Sunday

- Operating Hours are 11:00AM – 9:00PM
- Reservations will be limited to 4 hours per day.

Owen Bircher Ice Rink:**Monday - Friday**

- Operating Hours are 11:00AM – 9:00PM
- No reservations will be taken Monday through Friday

Saturday – Sunday

- Operating Hours are 11:00AM – 9:00PM
- Reservations will be limited to 4 hours per day.

Powderhorn Ice Rink:

- Operating Hours are 12:00PM – 9:00PM
- No reservations will be taken for the Powderhorn Rink

Alta Ice Rink:

- Operating Hours are 12:00PM – Dusk
- No reservations will be taken for the Alta Ice Rink

Rink Availability:

Rink reservations and availability will be posted on the calendar located on the Ice Rinks page of the Teton County/Jackson Parks & Recreation website: <https://www.tetoncountywy.gov/2822/Ice-Rinks>

Please note that organized hockey, broomball, or practice with sticks and pucks is often not compatible with recreational skating and the safety of users is our highest priority. Be respectful of other users and priority usage should be given to first come, first serve users. Conflicts between users will be addressed through the Teton County Sheriff's Office.