All Permit Programs are subject to Ijams Nature Center policies, as well as the City of Knoxville’s Code of Ordinances (Chapter 20 Parks and Recreation) and Knox County’s Parks Rules and Regulations in their entirety. We strongly encourage all applicants and Permit Pass holders to familiarize themselves with these documents. Chief among them, concerning Permit Programs:

1. Profanity, abusive language, and abusive behavior are prohibited
2. Loud music is prohibited
3. Private boats in Mead’s Quarry Lake are prohibited
4. Jumping off rocks and/or diving in swimming areas is prohibited
5. Swimming anywhere other than designated areas is prohibited
6. Grills, open fires, fireworks, bonfires, rockets, or other such explosives are prohibited
7. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not pick, remove, damage, or add plants or wildlife
8. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not hunt, harm, trap, chase, tease, or otherwise harass wildlife
9. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not mark, tamper, displace, or remove any fixtures (e.g. tables, benches, etc.); signs or notices, whether temporary or permanent; or any other boundary markers, structures, or equipment
10. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not throw or otherwise place any substance in the waters of any pond, lake, or other body of water in or adjacent to Ijams Nature Center
11. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not dump, deposit, or leave any garbage or other waste, refuse, or trash outside of their proper receptacles
12. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not drive any vehicles on any area except paved roads or parking areas, unless said area has been specifically designated by Ijams’ staff
13. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not ride a bicycle on other than a paved road or path designated for that purpose
14. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not possess firearms outside the parameters of current state law. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not possess air guns, buns and arrows, slings, or any other form of weapon or instrument that can be loaded with and fire cartridges of any kind, or any kind of trapping device
15. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not possess alcoholic beverages, unless provided by an Ijams-approved vendor, or by a licensed bartender who is (a) distribution approved alcohol, and (b) is bartending by permission of an alcohol permit purchased through Ijams, and consumed within designated areas
16. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not cause, permit, or allow any animal in their care or control to run at large; all animals must be restrained by a chain, leash, or other means of visible control
17. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not neglect to clean up and properly dispose of animal waste by any animal under their care or control
18. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not partake in any activity or use of property that unreasonably interferes with or detracts from the general public enjoyment of Ijams
19. Permit Program administrator(s), instructor(s), and/or participant(s) may not partake in any activity or use of property that may be used to incite violence, crime, or disorderly conduct

In addition to these policies, ordinances, and rules and regulations, Permit Program Pass holders must understand:

1. Any printed material that utilizes the Ijams’ logo must be approved prior to distribution
2. Ijams Nature Center has first priority in scheduling events in all areas of the nature center, and may require a Permit Program to be moved and/or adapted to a new location at any time.

3. Permit Program Pass holders must update Ijams’ staff regarding any programmatic or scheduling changes a month prior to session.

4. Permit Programs have an instructor and participant cap of 30 people. Any Permit Program with over 30 participants will be handed to Private Rentals at Ijams Nature Center, and costs may vary.

5. Permit Program dates are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.

6. Permit Program dates are not confirmed until all necessary paperwork and fees are received.

7. Ijams Nature Center prohibits programs that discriminate on the basis of age, color, disability, national origin, race, religion, sex, or gender.

8. Ijams Nature Center does not guarantee access to electricity or any other resource, natural or otherwise.

9. A Permit Program Pass must be kept on-hand and readily accessible during program.

10. Permit Program instructor(s) and participant(s) must be courteous and flexible when it comes to use of the property and sharing space with other Ijams’ visitors.

11. Athletic trainers may not bring equipment into Ijams that could damage the land and/or facilities, or that will pose a hazard to the general public.

12. Permit Program instructor(s) are responsible for removing their own trash from Ijams. Trash that is not disposed of properly or which overflows a receptacle may result in loss of permit.

13. If participants include children under 18, it is the Permit Program Pass holders responsibility to provide adequate supervision.

14. Due to their impact on wildlife, rice, balloons, confetti, glitter, and styrofoam products are prohibited.

15. Storage of any items on site is strictly prohibited. Unattended items will be regarded as abandoned.

16. Any activities that include the temporary collection of biological specimens for study must be approved by Ijams’ staff, prior to the event.

17. Discovery of false or misleading information regarding Permit Program will result in revocation of Permit Program Pass.

I have read and understand that any disregard to the above policies, ordinances, or rules and regulations may result in termination of a Permit Program and revocation of Permit Program Pass without a refund of the non-refundable Permit Program fee.

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