

ROCKIN' THE RAILS DISC GOLF COURSE

Palmer Lake, Colorado

Statement of Purpose: The “Rockin’ the Rails” Disc Golf Course (hereafter referred to “Course”) was conceived, designed, and built as a recreational venue for the residents of Palmer Lake. Funded primarily by the Palmer Lake Restaurant Group, GOCO grant, and built with volunteer labor, its purpose is to provide an enjoyable outdoor activity for local residents and visitors. It is especially designed to appeal to families of the area. Due to it’s confined, shared location, it is specifically constructed to appeal to players with average skill level and not to be a challenging, advanced level course.

Operational Vision: To provide an enjoyable and inexpensive physical activity in a spectacular mountain setting. It is meant to co-exist in a friendly manner with other activities and attractions of the Palmer Lake area, specifically Santa Fe Trail users and others attracted to Lake activities, i.e., fishermen, paddle boarders, kayakers, etc.

Player Rules of Conduct: Player Rules of Conduct are posted at the tee pad of Hole #1. Since the Course is located in a multi-use public park and shares its space with users of the Santa Fe Trail, Palmer Lake/Centennial Park, as well as the Lakeview Heights residential community, it is ***expected and required*** that a high level of personal conduct, courtesy, and restraint be exhibited by all users of the Course. This includes adherence to all Town of Palmer Lake rules, regulations, and ordinances. **Specifically note that alcoholic beverages and drug use is prohibited and smoking is discouraged. Profanity and crude behavior are likewise unacceptable.** Because there are no trash receptacles on the course, any trash or litter is to be packed out, or disposed of, in the provided Trailhead/Playground receptacles.

Order of Priority for Players & Safety on the Course: Because the Course shares its location with other recreational activities in and around the Santa Fe Trail and Palmer Lake, priorities of play must to be observed in order to provide a safe, courteous, and enjoyable activity for all. Course users are ***MANDATED*** to defer to Santa Fe Trail and Lake users. Course users are prohibited from crossing the railroad tracks and, instead, should utilize the bridge and path for crossing. Signs are posted on the Course to such effect and ***MUST*** be observed.

Safety of all park participants is of paramount concern; therefore, players must never throw discs when there is a possibility of putting other Park users in danger or jeopardy.

Schedule of Events & Course Rental Fees: Since the purpose of the Rockin' the Rails Course is for the public enjoyment by local residents and visitors, activities and events which would inhibit this stated purpose will be regulated and restricted accordingly. These scheduled events will be used as a method to generate revenue for course maintenance and improvement.

Activities and events will fall into two general categories –

- 1. A “Special Event”**
- 2. A “Routine or Re-Occurring Event”**

Definitions are the following:

1. A **“Special Event”** is one that reserves the course for its exclusive use; i.e., only players registered for the event would be allowed to use the course on the event dates. Typically, this would be a PDGA Sanctioned Tournament that could attract 150 or more players and require two full days of play. The fee for a “Special Event” will be \$150 per day (8am-5pm), plus a refundable \$250 damage deposit. A “Special Event” requires formal application and approval by the Town of Palmer Lake Clerk. All fees must be paid in advance. Due to limited available parking and the impact on other Park and Lake users that this type of event generates, permission to hold such events will be strictly limited.

Application and payment are due a minimum of 30 days' in advance along with a “Notice of Use, Course Closure (with dates)” sign posted at the course a minimum of 14 days prior to the event. Additionally, any multi-day event must be sanctioned by and conducted according to Professional Disc Golf Association.

2. A **“Routine or Re-Occurring Event”** includes activities such as Tag Matches, Leagues, Doubles Play, Challenge Matches, and Clinics. These events DO NOT have exclusive use of the course. They are to be conducted so that the general public would not be inhibited from playing the course concurrently; therefore, they are restricted to a maximum of forty (40) players.

A Course usage fee is applicable for re-occurring events in order to pay for course maintenance, upkeep and improvements. Fees are due in 14 days in advance of the beginning start date from the organized group or entity and is payable to Town of Palmer Lake, with "Parks" in the memo line.

Yearly Fee: \$250 all fees must be paid at time of application.

NOTE: For certain fundraising events or public clinics, fees may be waived by recommendation and vote of the Parks Commission.

Signage: Organizers of "Routine or Re-occurring Events" will be required to post and maintain an approved sign at the start of the course with day and time information for these events to inform the general public to expect extra traffic on the course during these hours, i.e., "League Play Sundays, 1-4 PM"

Submission of Applications: In order to prevent scheduling conflicts with other Lake, Trail or Park users, permission for Tournaments, Clinics, Leagues, Matches, or other disc golf events will be made via application process. Final approval will be by the Palmer Lake Town Clerk.

Contact Information:

For information, please email inquiries to info@palmer-lake.org or chopfeue@gmail.com. Application forms are available at the Town office and the website at www.townofpalmerlake.com under Forms & Applications.