8.2 - Authority to Enforce Laws by Law Enforcement Officers ★

Standard: The authority of law enforcement officers to enforce laws and ordinances pertaining specifically to activity within parks, recreation areas, and facilities shall be clearly established to ensure that enforcement actions are upheld. Authority to enforce laws and ordinances within parks and recreation areas and facilities must be established through assignment within the agency, by contract with another agency, or by policy of the government jurisdiction in which the agency operates.

Suggested Evidence of Compliance: Provide documentation that establishes the authority of law enforcement officers to enforce laws and ordinances within parks, recreation areas, and facilities.

Informational reference in the *Management of Park and Recreation Agencies*, (2010), 3rd Ed., Chapter 22 – Law Enforcement and Security, pp. 606-612.

Agency Evidence of Completion:

The Park District has an intergovernmental agreement¹ with the Village of Oak Park which grants responsibility to the Village of Oak Park Police Department and Health Department's Animal Control to issue citations and prosecute violators in accordance with Park District rules and regulations.

Documentation:

1. 08.02.00_VOP-Police-Department-IGA.pdf

Agency Self Assessment: MET