



RULES FOR USING THE GAVES GREENWAY



Having regard to the General Code for Local Authorities,
Having regard to the Highway Code,
Having regard to the municipal decrees made by all the communes passed through by the Gaves Greenway.
Having regard to the decision of the Syndicat Mixte pour le Développement Rural de l'Arrondissement d'Argelès-Gazost of 14/05/2009,

Article 1: PUBLIC AUTHORISED TO USE THE GAVES GREENWAY

The Gaves Greenway is reserved exclusively for pedestrians (including mobility-impaired users), joggers and non-motorised vehicles (bicycles, hybrid bicycles, mountain bikes, hand bikes, roller-bladers, etc).
Speed is strictly limited to 20km/h.

Access to dogs and other pets is authorised on the exclusive condition that they are kept on a leash and/or are muzzled if required to do so by law for the category of dog.

Article 2: PROHIBITION OF HORSES AND LIVESTOCK

The Greenway is prohibited for horses and livestock, even if they are accompanied, with a view to ensuring good cohabitation and upkeep.

Article 3: PROHIBITION OF MOTORISED VEHICLES

Motorised vehicles (cars, trucks, motorcycles, scooters, quad bikes or any other sort) are strictly prohibited from using or parking on the Gaves Greenway subject to fines as provided for in articles R412-8 and R417-9.

Only maintenance vehicles (vehicles belonging to the Syndicat Mixte du Haut-Lavedan's Green Brigade) and emergency and security vehicles are authorised to use the Gaves Greenway and to park alongside it for service reasons.

Article 4: CLEANLINESS AND RESPECT FOR THE GREENWAY

Animal owners must ensure that the Greenway's walking areas and verges are not soiled. In this framework, owners are asked to collect any waste.
In order to preserve the environment, people accessing the Greenway must not discard paper, bottles or any other objects along the route.
Furthermore, it is strictly forbidden to damage any plants found along the Greenway.
It is also strictly prohibited to damage the street furniture installed along the Greenway.

Article 5: RESPONSIBILITY ON THE GREENWAY

The Gaves Greenway is subject to the rules of the Highway Code displayed on the regulatory signs, as well as on intersection signs. In that respect, users use the greenway under their own responsibility.

Article 6: PUBLICITY

Advertising, advertisement boards and advance signs are strictly prohibited along the entire Greenway (path and verges).

Article 7: TEMPORARY OCCUPATION OF THE GREENWAY

The SMDRA owns and manages the Greenway. To that end, it is the only organisation which may authorise the Greenway's temporary occupation.

In this framework the organisation of sports and group events are subject to SMDRA's prior authorisation. In this case, a prefectural authorisation is also mandatory.

For all other temporary occupation requests to use this public space (works, exceptional passage of vehicles, temporary closure, etc.) a written request must be sent to SMDRA. This is the only organisation able to authorise such temporary occupation and define the conditions of its use.

Article 8: SOME RULES OF GOOD CONDUCT

§ Share the Greenway with other users

- pedestrians must use the pedestrianised track (on the side of the path) reserved for them.
- moderate your speed and alert other users of your approach
- be courteous to other users

§ Respect the Highway Code

- comply with the signposts
- take care at intersections: **roads open to traffic have priority at intersections with the Greenway**

§ Respect the environment and the infrastructures

- **keep the greenway clean and tidy**
- **respect the equipment present along the route**

Article 9: NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THESE RULES

Contravening any of the elements mentioned above is subject to a criminal and administrative sanction provided for in the Highway Code.

A copy of these rules will be sent to the Heads of the Police authorities concerned.

Agreed and approved on 14/05/2009

**The President,
Jean-Pierre ARTIGANAVE**

