A Pennsylvania Recreational Guide for Benjamin Rush State Park

# Benjamin Rush State Park

The 315-acre park is a mixture of open fields and woodlands along the Poquessing Creek in the Byberry section of the city of Philadelphia.

# Directions

GPS DD: Lat. 40.11284 Long. -74.98636

Benjamin Rush State Park is in Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, 2 miles south of PA Turnpike Exit 351. From Exit 351, take US 1 (Lincoln Highway) south approximately 1.5 miles. Turn left onto Southampton Road. Turn left onto shared road for the Delaware Valley Veterans Home and the park. The park entrance is on the left.

# Recreational Opportunities

TRAILS: Walkers, joggers, bicyclists, and cross-country skiers enjoy 3.5 miles of level, multi-use trails that connect to the Fairmount Park System and local neighborhoods.

COMMUNITY GARDEN: Gardeners may rent a plot in the community garden to grow produce for personal use. For more information, contact the Benjamin Rush Garden Association at 215-969-0507. www.benjaminrushgardens.org

MODEL AIRCRAFT FLYING FIELD: Model aircraft enthusiasts use the 400-foot runway and surrounding fly zone. An AMA license is required. For more information, visit the Northeast Philadelphia Radio Control Club website www.neprcc.org.

Dr. Benjamin Rush (1745-1813)

The park is named for the “Father of American Psychiatry,” Dr. Benjamin Rush, who was born in Byberry Township. Dr. Rush signed the Declaration of Independence and was a prominent physician, educator, abolitionist, and life-long resident of Philadelphia.

Trash Disposal

Benjamin Rush State Park participates in a carry-in/carry out trash disposal program. There are no trash collection or recycling facilities. Visitors are asked to take all trash and recyclables home.

# Access for People with Disabilities

♿ This symbol indicates facilities and activities that are Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible for people with disabilities. This publication text is available in alternative formats.

If you need an accommodation to participate in park activities due to a disability, please contact the park you plan to visit.

# In an Emergency

Call 911 and contact a park employee. Directions to the nearest hospital are posted on bulletin boards and at the park office.

**NEAREST HOSPITAL**

Aria Health’s Torresdale Campus

Red Lion and Knights Roads

Philadelphia, PA 19114

215-612-4000

# For More Information Contact:

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# Information and Reservations

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