

## **City of Forest Park Court Rules**

**All persons shall comply with the order of this court regarding appearance and conduct within the courtroom. Prohibited apparel includes, but is not limited to:**

- Hats, caps, bandanas, or other headgear
- Flip flops
- Swimwear, beachwear, or sleepwear
- Baggy pants
- Cut-offs or shorts
- Short skirts (more than 2 ½ inches above the knee cap)
- Short blouses or sweaters that expose the midsection
- Tank/tube tops
- Messages or pictures on front or back of shirts or pants or other objects that contain obscenities, drug messages, profanity, sexual messages or double entendres.

**Prohibited conduct includes, but is not limited to:**

- Obscene, profane, loud, lewd, or disorderly language or activities
- Use of electronic devices (phones, tablets, computers, radios, MP3 players, cameras, etc.)
- Leaning on the judge's bench
- Eating, drinking, use of tobacco products, or chewing gum
- Sleeping
- Wearing sunglasses
- Reading of newspapers or magazines (except legal publications)
- Crying or otherwise unruly children

Everyone entering the courtroom must pass through the metal detector. All bags are subject to search. No weapons (guns, knives, pepper spray, tools, etc.) allowed. All cell phones, pagers, and other noise making devices must be turned off or set to vibrate and cannot be used in any fashion during court.

Minors accompanying a witness or defendant are allowed in the court room, but their guardian will be made to remove them should they become disruptive to court proceedings.