

**RECREATIONAL AUTHORITIES ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 321 of 2000**

**123.1133 Definitions.**

Sec. 3. As used in this act:

- (a) "Articles" means the articles of incorporation of an authority.
- (b) "Authority" means a recreational authority established under section 5.
- (c) "Board" means the board of directors of the authority.
- (d) "District" means a portion of a municipality having boundaries coterminous with those of a precinct used for general elections.
- (e) "Electors of the authority" means the qualified and registered electors of the participating municipalities who reside within the territory of the authority.
- (f) "Largest county" means, of those counties in which a participating municipality is located, the county having the greatest population.
- (g) "Municipality" means a city, county, village, township, or school district.
- (h) "Park" means an area of land or water, or both, dedicated to 1 or more of the following uses:
  - (i) Recreational purposes, including, but not limited to, landscaped tracts; picnic grounds; playgrounds; athletic fields; camps; campgrounds; zoological and botanical gardens; living historical farms; boating, hunting, fishing, and birding areas; swimming areas; and foot, bicycle, and bridle paths.
  - (ii) Open or scenic space.
  - (iii) Environmental, conservation, nature, or wildlife areas.
- (i) "Participating municipality" means a municipality or district that is named in articles of incorporation or proposed articles of incorporation as joining in the original establishment of an authority, or a municipality or district that joins an existing authority and is added to the articles of incorporation, and that has not withdrawn from the authority.
- (j) "Public historic farm" means a parcel of public land and its buildings that are accessible to the public, and provides, but is not limited to, agricultural and historical programs, farming activities and animal husbandry, community recreation activities and events, programs held in common areas, meeting rooms, and community gardens, and access to surrounding parkland.
- (k) "Swimming pool" includes equipment, structures, areas, and enclosures intended for the use of individuals using or operating a swimming pool, such as equipment, dressing, locker, shower, and toilet rooms.
- (l) "Territory of the authority" means the combined territory of the participating municipalities that is served by an authority.

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