

# Rules and Etiquette for Off-Leash Dog Areas

- All dogs outside the off-leash dog park fence must be and remain on a leash at all times (*City Code 12-3011*). Off-leash dogs can run off, get lost and be a hazard to other people and dogs.
- It shall be unlawful for any person in charge of a dog to fail to remove feces deposited by the dog on publicly owned property (*City Code Sec. 12-3011[b]*). Pick up after your pet. The park provides bags and trashcans in many parks and along trails for you to use.
- Female dogs in heat shall be confined in a building or secure enclosure and therefore are not permitted to use the dog park (*City Code 12-3012*).
- It shall be unlawful for an owner to fail to provide current rabies inoculation for any dog 4 months or older. The metal tag shall be securely fastened to the dog's collar (*City Code 12-3008*). Always keep your dog up to date on all vaccinations, especially rabies, and have them checked regularly by a veterinarian. This prevents the spread of disease in a place where many dogs come in contact with each other and wild animals every day.
- Puppies using this park must be a minimum of 4 months old. All dogs shall be healthy and properly vaccinated.
- Handlers must carry a leash and remain inside the fenced area within view and voice control of their dogs at all times.
- Acts of aggression against other dogs or people are prohibited. Dogs must be removed if uncontrollable. Handlers must stop dogs from digging and must fill any hole created by their dogs.
- No more than three dogs per handler for each visit to the park.
- Choke, prong, pinch, and spike collars must be removed inside park area.
- Close adult supervision is required for children under the age of 12.
- No food or dog chews are allowed within the off-leash area (picnic shelter area is exempted).
- No littering. Place all trash in receptacles.
- Climbing on or over the fence is not permitted.
- Parks and Recreation staff have the authority to close the site for maintenance, weather related problems and special events.
- Be mindful of other kids and pets in the park. Although your dog might never harm anyone, the behavior of other dogs and people is always unpredictable.

For questions or to volunteer, call 919- 872-4156.  
In the event of an emergency, dial 911.

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