

## Dog Park Rules

A permit is required in order to bring your dog to a Dane County, City of Madison, City of Sun Prairie, or City of Middleton dog park. Fees collected by each agency are used to support their own dog park programs. Please be aware that in order to purchase a dog permit, you will FIRST need a dog license.

1. Dog owners are legally and financially liable for injuries or damages caused by their dog(s). Wis. Stat. Ann. 174.02(1)
2. All dogs must be legally licensed and vaccinated. Dogs are required to wear a visible, municipal license, and I.D. tag. Wis. Stat. Ann. 95.21(2)(a), DC Ord 53.9(5)
3. A Daily or Annual Dog Permit is required. DC Ord 53.02(L)
4. Aggressive dogs are prohibited from the park. Any dog exhibiting aggressive behavior must be removed from the park immediately.
5. The owner/handler must be in control of his/her dog(s) at all times. The dog must be within view and under voice control of the owner/handler. DC Ord 53.9(2)
6. Dog waste must be cleaned up and placed in the proper receptacle by the owner/handler. DC Ord 53.9(4)
7. Female dogs in season (heat) are not allowed in a dog park.
8. Dogs must be leashed and restrained by a 6-foot static leash when entering and leaving off-leash area. The owner/handler must have the leash in his/her possession at all times. DC Ord 53.9(1)

### Annual Dog Park Clean-up!

Join other dog park users in the annual spring Dog Park Clean-up Day. It is scheduled for the last Saturday in March, 8 a.m. to noon, rain or shine. Bring materials to pick up dog waste and other trash.

## Dog Park Etiquette

**As dog parks increase in popularity, it's important to remember that dog owners share responsibility in assuring that the experience will be enjoyable for everyone. Here are a few recommendations:**

- Limit food brought into a dog park as it may attract other dogs.
- Throwing balls or other dog toys may lead to possession aggression.
- Make sure your dog is healthy. It is possible for your dog to pass on an infection or parasite to other dogs. Sharing water also leads to disease transmission.
- Children should be supervised when in the dog park.
- A dog park is not the place to work on behavioral problems with your dog.
- Do not bring more dogs than you can effectively restrain. It is recommended that you bring no more than 3 dogs at one time.
- You are responsible for all actions of your dog. You must remain in the dog area with your dog at all times.
- Do not allow your dog to be in contact with wild animals.
- It is not acceptable to dump pet waste from off-site at the dog park.

## Support Your Dog Park!

If you and your dog use and enjoy the Dane County Dog Parks, the first dog park program in the nation, please consider making a donation so that we can continue to provide this great service. Donations will help with improvements to the dog park facilities and may be made by calling 608-224-3730 or by visiting the Dane County Parks Donation Page at:

[www.countyofdane.com/lwrp/parks/grants.aspx](http://www.countyofdane.com/lwrp/parks/grants.aspx)

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## Dog Permit Vendors

*PERMITS MAY BE PURCHASED ONLINE AT  
[www.reservedane.com/permits](http://www.reservedane.com/permits)*

**or in person at:**

### FITCHBURG:

Mounds Pet Food, 5350 King James Way

### MADISON:

Bad Dog Frida, 2094 Atwood Ave

Dane County Parks, 5201 Fen Oak Dr - Rm 208

Mad Cat Pet Supply, 7820 Mineral Point Rd

Mad Cat Pet Supply, 2623 Monroe St #120

Mad Cat Pet Supply, 1012 Williamson St

Madison Parks, 210 MLK Jr Blvd - Rm 104

Madison Treasurer, 210 MLK Jr Blvd - Rm 107

Mounds Pet Food, 2210 S Stoughton Rd

Petsmart, 2216 East Spring Dr

Pet World Warehouse, 2148 W Beltline Hwy

### MIDDLETON:

All Pets, 1009 N Gammon Rd

Middleton City Hall, 7426 Hubbard Ave

Mounds Pet Food, 8311 University Ave

### SUN PRAIRIE:

Mounds Pet Food, 2422 Montana Ave

Sun Prairie Parks & Rec, 300 E Main St

**It is essential to always  
have your dog under  
supervision and  
voice control.**

# Important Dog Park Information

## Phone Numbers

### For Emergencies – call 911

To report dog bites and attacks or information about rabies prevention, animal-related ordinances, general information on pet ownership:

- Animal Control Dispatch ..... 608-255-2345
- 24-hr Emergency Animal Clinic.....
- ..... 608-274-7772

For questions, concerns, or complaints concerning rule enforcement at dog exercise areas:

- Dane County Parks ..... 608-224-3730
- City of Madison Parks ..... 608-266-4711
- City of Middleton Parks ..... 608-821-8360
- City of Sun Prairie Parks ..... 608-837-3449

For dog license information:

- City of Madison residents – City of Madison Treasurer’s Office ..... 608-266-4771
- Residents of any other City, Village, or Town should call their local government



## On-Leash

### All Dane County Parks

and the following Madison Parks:

- Brittingham Park** – 401 West Shore Dr from Bedford to Bassett Sts
- Burr Jones Field** – 1820 E Washington Ave
- Demetral Field** – 601 N Sixth St
- Elver Park** – 1240 McKenna Blvd – below sledding hill, 3/15 – 11/15
- Glen Oak Hills Park** – 301 Glen Highway
- Hoyt Park** – 3902 Regent St – along Owen Pkwy
- Marlborough Park** – 222 Whenona Dr
- Quarry Park** – 3102 Stevens St
- Spring Harbor Park** – 5218 Lake Mendota Dr (eastern portion)
- Warner Park** – 2201 Sheridan Dr – along paths and roadways only
- Yahara Parkway** – 1801 E Johnson St – including Burr Jones Field

## Off-Leash

### DANE COUNTY PARKS (within posted areas)

- Badger Prairie** – 6720 Hwy 151, Verona
- Indian Lake** – Hwy 19 north of Cross Plains
- Capital Springs Recreation Area at Lake Farm** – 3398 Lake Farm Rd
- Prairie Moraine** – Cty PB near Verona
- Token Creek** – Hwy 51 north of Madison
- Viking Park** – Cty N north of Stoughton
- Yahara Heights** – 5428 State Hwy 113

### CITY OF MADISON (within posted areas)

- Brittingham Park** – 401 West Shore Dr at Broom St
- Demetral Field** – Packers Ave & Commercial Ave
- McCormick Greenway (Washington Manor Park)** – 702 N McCormick Ave
- Quann Park** – 1802 Expo Dr
- Sycamore Park** – 4517 Sycamore Ave
- Warner Park** – Sheridan Dr – along lagoon

### CITY OF SUN PRAIRIE

- Pet Exercise Area** – south of Sheehan Park on S Bird St – south over RR tracks & hill

### CITY OF MIDDLETON

- Pet Exercise Area** – north of Middleton on left side of Cty Q – south of Cty K intersection

# PARKS

# DOG



**for our best friends**

**Dane County Parks Division**  
Land & Water Resources Department  
5201 Fen Oak Drive, Room 208  
Madison, WI 53718  
608-224-3730



[www.countyofdane.com/lwrdd/parks/dog\\_parks.aspx](http://www.countyofdane.com/lwrdd/parks/dog_parks.aspx)



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