



## Carroll County Department of Recreation & Parks Dog Park Rules

The rules listed below are for the protection of those who use our dog park facilities and are intended to maintain a safe, healthy and clean dog park.

1. The dog park is open to paid members only.
2. All dogs must always be accompanied by an owner age 16 or older. Limit (2) dogs per handler.
3. Dogs must be leashed when approaching and leaving the Dog Park. Prong, spike or choke collars and retractable leashes are prohibited.
4. Dog's leashes should be removed when inside the double gated area. Collars, displaying the assigned dog park tag as well as rabies & license tag must always be displayed.
5. Only dogs 30 pounds or less are permitted in the small dog area.
6. Children ages 12-15 must always be accompanied by a responsible adult that will be accountable for the behavior and well-being of the child. Children under 12 are not permitted in the park.
7. Carroll County is not responsible for injuries to dogs, their owners/handlers, or others that use our Dog Parks. Use Dog Parks at own risk. This area is for dogs and their owners/handlers only.
8. Owners/handlers are legally responsible for their dog's behavior and any destruction caused by his/her dog. Any holes created by a dog shall be filled by the dog's owner.
9. Female dogs "in heat" (in estrus) and puppies under the age of 4 months are prohibited in our Dog Parks at any time.
10. Dogs with a known history of aggressive or dangerous behavior and/or dogs that have displayed aggressive or dangerous behavior at this facility are prohibited.
11. All dogs must be healthy, currently vaccinated against rabies and legally licensed, with proof available on site (tags visible on dog).
12. No eating or smoking allowed inside the Dog Park. No dog treats or toys (except tennis balls) are allowed. Water may be brought in; however, glass containers are prohibited.
13. Owners are responsible for securely latching both control gates as they enter or exit.
14. Owners must always remain in the off-leash area with their dogs and maintain sight of and voice command control of their dog.
15. Any dog showing aggression toward people or other dogs must be immediately leashed and removed from the Dog Park by its owner/handler.
16. Any dog barking continuously or uncontrollably must be removed from the Dog Park by the handler.
17. Owners/handlers must pick up and properly dispose of their dog's feces.
18. No commercial business may be conducted inside the Dog Park.
19. Violators of rules will be subject to removal from the park and suspension of membership.
20. To file a complaint on an incident or to report a Dog Park violation, please complete an incident from located at: <https://carrollcountymd.gov/media/11330/dog-park-incident-report-instructions-and-form.pdf>

**Carroll County Department of Recreation & Parks can be reached at 410-386-2103 or in cases of emergency, call 911.**