

DOG PARK RULES

1. Park hours are from 8:00 am to Sunset.
2. Dogs must wear collar with license, proof of rabies vaccination, and handler must have license information in possession at all times. Non-residents must obtain a permit issued by the City of Stillwater (cities website or city hall).
3. Dogs must be leashed in parking area and when entering or exiting the OLRA (in transitional corridor).
4. Owners/handlers must remain in control of dogs at all times; this means dogs must be under voice or whistle control, in view, and owner/handler must have one leash ready and available per dog.
5. Owners/handlers must be at least 16 years of age and are responsible for the actions and behaviors of their dogs; any damage or injury caused by dogs will be the liability of the owners
6. No more than 2 dogs per handler.
7. Dogs that exhibit aggressive behavior or become unruly must be immediately leashed and removed from the OLRA. Individual dogs known to have a history of aggression may not be permitted or may have permit revoked; this includes but is not limited to dogs classified as dangerous or potentially dangerous in any city.
8. Children under the age of 10 in the OLRA, must be supervised by an adult (18and older).
9. Dogs in heat, sick dogs, and puppies under four months old are not allowed in the OLRA. No other type of animal is allowed in the OLRA.
10. No food or beverages (other than water) allowed in OLRA.
11. Owners/handlers must clean up after their dogs. Owner/handlers should bring their own waste bags and must fill in any holes dug by their dogs.
12. All other city park rules and city laws apply.

For any concerns or questions, please contact City Hall at 651-747-3900.

** In case of an emergency, call 911

DOG PARK SAFETY TIPS

Make your first visit without your dog to familiarize yourself with the site (parking, access gates, etc). Make your initial doggie visit at a time that is not as busy. Daytime hours during the week and late afternoons on the weekend are generally quiet times at the dog park.

Remember that many dogs who visit the dog park are not socialized to children. Keep children close and allow no running, screaming or food. Do not allow your children to approach a dog without permission from the dog's handler.

Know your dog! Not all dogs are good candidates for off-leash dog parks. If your dog has not had regular interaction with other dogs, it may lack the necessary social skills to make your visit safe and enjoyable. Check for training schools that offer remedial socialization classes for adult dogs or for trainers who will work with you at the off-leash dog park. Socialize young puppies (8-16 weeks of age) at a puppy kindergarten class, not at the dog park.

Let your dog off-leash as soon as you arrive within the transitional corridor of the park. Mixing leashed and unleashed dogs commonly causes problems. Leashed dogs often feel threatened by the free dogs and will display provocative body language and defensive behavior. If you are uncomfortable about letting your dog off-leash, do not visit the off-leash park.

Let's all play nice and keep the park a safe place for dogs to play and people to enjoy.