

Rules and Guidelines for Patterson Off-Leash Dog Park

1. **Use of the dog park is at your own risk.** Owners are legally responsible for their dogs and any injuries or damages (to persons or property) caused by their dogs while entering, using, or exiting the off-leash dog park area. Owners/users release, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Grosse Pointe Park with respect to any injuries or damages arising from the using, entering and exiting the off-leash dog park area.
2. **Dogs must be currently licensed with the City of Grosse Pointe Park.** All residents applying for and/or renewing their Dog Park license and or pass must show proof of their dog(s) having the following current vaccinations: Rabies, DHLPP (Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza, Parvovirus), & Bordetella. **(Do not bring a sick dog to the park.)**
3. Dog park passes are available through the Lavins Activity Center front desk at Windmill Pointe Park.
4. Dog(s) must wear identification tags and GPP license.
5. **Dogs must always be supervised.** Dog owners must remain with their dog(s) within the fenced area and have their dog(s) under their owner's control.
6. All dogs must be leashed prior to entering and upon leaving the dog park area. No unleashed dog(s) will be permitted outside the area of the off-leash dog park.
7. **Dogs with a history of aggressive behavior are prohibited.** Dog owners must leash and remove a dog showing aggressive behavior immediately.
8. Dog owners are limited to two dogs per adult in the park at one time.
9. All dogs in heat, pregnant or under 4 months old, are prohibited. (It is recommended that all dogs are spayed and neutered.)
10. No food (human or dog) is allowed in the dog park.
11. **Dog owners must clean up their dog's fecal waste.**
12. **Dogs must be accompanied by an adult (18 years or older).** Children ages 5-17 may only visit the dog park with an adult.
13. **No strollers, bicycles, or chairs inside the dog park fenced area.**
14. **The dog park is open 7:30 a.m. – Dusk, year-round, and are subject to change at any time at the discretion of the Director of Parks and Recreation or the City Manager.**
15. The City of Grosse Pointe Park reserves the right to change or add rules and/or policies as may be needed or issued by the Director of Parks and Recreation or the City Manager for the orderly operation of the off-leash dog park area. City Ordinance § 17-24.
16. Violations of dog park rules include, but are not limited to, restricted access to park, temporary or permanent ban on park usage and professional dog training/evaluation at owner's expense.
17. **Incident/Bite Reports should be filed immediately.** Reports must be filed with GPP Public Safety at (313) 822-7400 for any bodily injury (including broken skin) to person or dogs. All other incidents reports need to be filed within 48 hours with the Parks & Recreation Director at (313) 822-2812 ext. 200. Dog Park incident/bite reports can be obtained at the Patterson Park gatehouse, Parks & Recreation Office and on our website www.grossepointepark.org.