



City of Alexandria Reminds Dog Owners About Rules to Remember When Romping with Rover

For many Alexandrians, there is nothing more fun than taking a walk (or a run) with their four-footed friend. The City of Alexandria reminds residents that there are specific City regulations to keep in mind when romping with Rover. According to City Code, dogs must remain on a leash, unless the area is marked as an off-leash Dog Exercise Area, and owners must clean up after their dogs. Violations of this code may result in fines.

The City's Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities also provides Fenced Dog Parks and Unfenced Dog Exercise Areas for the convenience and enjoyment of City residents. The off-leash Dog Parks are an important part of the City's park system. They provide designated areas for dogs and their owners to exercise and recreate without disrupting other uses of the parks. Currently, the City provides 17 off-leash dog parks:

Fenced Dog Parks:

- Simpson Stadium Park at Monroe Avenue
- 5000 block of Duke Street east of the Charles E. Beatley, Jr. Library
- Montgomery Park at the corner of Fairfax and First Streets
- Ben Brenman Park by Backlick Creek

Unfenced Sites / Dog Exercise Areas:

- Founders Park at Oronoco Street and Union Street*
- Windmill Hill Park at Gibbon and Union Streets
- Southeast corner of Braddock Road and Commonwealth
- Hooff's Run, east of Commonwealth between Oak and Chapman Streets
- Area between Ft. Williams and New Ft. Williams Parkway*
- Along Old Mill Run, west of Gordon St. (Tarleton Park)*
- Along Chambliss Street, south of tennis courts*
- North Fort Ward Park, east of Park Road*
- Median at E. Timber Branch Parkway and Timber Branch Drive*
- Chinquapin Park, east of loop
- Area east of entrance to Monticello Park*
- Edison Street cul-de-sac*
- W&OD Railroad at Raymond Avenue*

* Unfenced site marked with bollards

To view a list of dog park locations, visit alexandriava.gov/recreation. For additional information, call 703.838.4340.