
Dogs in Parks

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Policy Statement

This policy provides guidelines for use when determining which Parkland will be designated as On-Leash, Off-Leash and No Dogs Allowed.

Definitions

1. "At Large" means At Large as defined in the Strathcona County Dog Control Bylaw 85-2006 as amended or repealed from time to time.
2. "Dog" means Dog as defined in the Strathcona County Dog Control Bylaw 85-2006 as amended or repealed from time to time.
3. "Floral Park" means a Park area cultivated for floral or ornamental plant display.
4. "Parkland" means Parkland as defined in the Strathcona County General Parks Bylaw 30-92 as amended or repealed from time to time.
5. "Permitted Leash" means Permitted Leash as defined in the Strathcona County Dog Control Bylaw 85-2006 as amended or repealed from time to time.
6. "Playground" means an area on which various children's play apparatus is located. This includes the area extending from beneath the apparatus to the concrete, wood or grass borders.
7. "Deermound Dog Off Leash Park" means that 1/4 section of land legally described as NE 12-52-23-W4.
8. "Sidewalk" means Sidewalk as defined in the Highway Traffic Act, RSA 2000, c. H-8, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time.
9. "Strathcona Wilderness Centre" means that site made up of five separate Certificates of Title as follows:
 - a. N 35-52-21-W4;
 - b. SW 35-52-21-W4;
 - c. NE 34-52-21-W4;
 - d. SE 34-52-21-W4, Lot R1, Plan 782 0153; and
 - e. the Government Road Allowance adjoining the east boundary of Section 34-52-21-W4.

10. "Tennis Courts" means any area designated for the purpose of playing tennis. Such areas are usually fenced and have nets and boundary lines.
11. "Spray Park" means any area designated as an outdoor spray park. This includes the concrete decks, adjacent to Playground equipment, onto which water is intended to spray. This does not include storm water management facilities.

Guidelines

1. Playgrounds, Tennis Courts and Spray Parks shall be designated and will be signed "NO DOGS ALLOWED". Floral Parks shall be designated and may be signed "NO DOGS ALLOWED".
2. Unless otherwise posted, where a Sidewalk passes through an area prohibited to Dogs, Dogs are permitted provided they remain on the Sidewalk and are on a Permitted Leash.
3. The Strathcona Wilderness Centre will be signed "NO DOGS ALLOWED".
4. The Deermound Dog Off Leash Park shall be signed "DOGS OFF-LEASH". A Dog, on Parkland that is designated "DOGS OFF-LEASH", accompanied by a person who is capable of and is controlling the Dog, is not considered to be At Large.
5. All other Parkland shall be designated "DOGS ON-LEASH" and shall not be signed.
6. Any changes to Parkland designations with respect to dogs shall be recommended to Council by the Recreation, Parks and Culture Department.