

DOGPARK ETIQUETTE FOR PEOPLE

Once you and your dog get to the dogpark it's tempting to just stand back and watch all the activity or chat to the other owners, but everybody will have a much more rewarding time if you observe some basic rules. Dogparks aren't a right, they're a privilege. - please don't let bad behavior ruin things for everyone else.

- Always keep your eye on your dog. Mischief can happen quickly, and it's easier to prevent problems than recover from them.
- Always thoroughly clean up after your dog. This is the primary reason that dogparks get complaints, so pay attention and pick up the poop - even if it may not have come from your dog (after all, we've all been caught not looking).
- Keep your dog on-leash until you get to the off-leash area. This is not just respectful to neighbors and other park users, it's much safer for your dog.
- Children should be supervised closely, especially when they approach other dogs who may not be as comfortable with children as your dog is.
- Don't bring a female dog in estrus, and thoroughly bathe her if it has recently ended. Spayed and neutered animals are recommended.
- Don't allow your dog to harass other dogs or people. This means having respect for the opinion of others - if they are uncomfortable simply move your dog away to another area of the park. This is especially important when sharing a community park where children play.
- Only bring bite-size, pocketed treats for your dog. Arguments can arise when a dog is protecting the remains of a large biscuit. Don't give treats to other people's dogs without the owner's permission, there may be health or behavior issues you aren't aware of.
- Remove metal collars like prong and choke collars because other dogs can get their teeth caught in them. This can result in broken teeth, and can panic the dog wearing the collar.
- If your dog is having health problems, consider staying home. Don't risk spreading a disease or infection to other dogs. Other ailments may make your dog uneasy around other dogs, or may risk further injury.
- Each park has municipal codes posted. Know the local dog laws, such as license requirements and leash laws, and follow them.

People And Dogs Zones - PADZ
Dog Parks in San Diego

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Orpheus Park – Encinitas
Orpheus Ave. at Union St.
Limited Hours (MWF, 6-7:30am, 4-6pm)
www.padz.org

View Point Park - Encinitas
D St. and Cornish Dr.
Limited Hours (MWF, 6-7:30am, 4-6pm)
www.padz.org

Cricket's Corner - Encinitas
Rancho Coastal Humane Society
389 Requeza St.
11am - 5pm Daily (Monday 11:30am)
www.rchumanesociety.org

Carlsbad Dog Park
Carlsbad Village Dr., East of El Camino Real

Del Mar Dog Beach
North of 29th St.
Off-Leash 9/15 through 6/15

Poway Dog Park
13094 Bowron Rd.
www.ci.poway.ca.us/dogpark/dogpark.htm

Mayflower Dog Park – Escondido
3420 Valley Center Rd.
www.ci.escondido.ca.us/visitors/parks/dog/

Canine Corners - La Mesa
Harry Griffen Park, at Mildred and Waters

Oceanside
sites pending
www.oceansidedogpark.com

San Diego City Dog Parks
www.sannet.gov/park-and-recreation/general-info/dogs.shtml

Dog Beach – Ocean Beach
W. Point Loma Blvd. at Voltaire
www.dogbeachsandiego.org

Fiesta Island – Mission Bay

Nate's Point – Balboa Park
Balboa Dr. and El Prado

Morley Field – Balboa Park
Northwest of tennis courts

Grape Street Park
Grape St. and Granada Ave.
Limited Hours (M-F 7-10am and 4-9pm, S-S 9-11am and 4-9pm)

Maddox Park – Mira Mesa
Flanders Dr. and Dabney Dr.

Doyle Park – University Town Center
8175 Regents Rd.

Torrey Highlands Park - Del Mar Heights
Landsdale Dr.
www.friendsofcvdogs.com