

# **City of Middletown Recreation & Parks Department**

## **Dog Park Guidelines**

- **Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m. to Dusk (Hours of operation are subject to change at the discretion of the Superintendent of Recreation & Parks as deemed necessary).**
  - **Park Users and Dog Owners assume all risks related to park use.**
- **The off-leash dog park does not permit children ten (10) years of age and under or dogs under four (4) months old.**
  - **Children from 11 years of age to 17 years of age must be under adult supervision at all times.**
    - **Area A – Small dogs (30 lbs or less).**
    - **Area B – All dogs.**
    - **Maximum of three (3) dogs per adult.**
    - **Dogs must be spayed or neutered.**
  - **Dogs must be licensed by the City of Middletown and up-to-date with vaccinations.**
    - **A current license tag must be visible on each dog's collar.**
    - **Dogs must be leashed when entering and exiting the off-leash park area.**
- **Dogs are permitted to be off-leash in the designated fenced area only and the gates must remain closed.**
- **Owners/responsible parties must carry a leash and maintain control over their dogs at all times while in the park.**
  - **Owners/responsible parties must clean up after their dogs and dispose of dog waste in an appropriate container.**
- **Dogs are prohibited from digging. Any holes created must be filled in by owner before leaving the park.**
  - **No dog treats, human foods or drinks are permitted in the off-leash park.**
  - **No animals other than dogs are permitted within the off-leash park area.**
    - **Dogs are not permitted on benches.**
- **Aggressive and/or threatening dogs are not permitted in the off-leash park unless muzzled and leashed at all times.**
- **Aggressive behavior, dog bites to person or dogs and/or other such incidents must be reported to the Recreation & Parks Department office at 845-346-4180 Monday-Friday during the hours of 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM or 343-3151 on evenings and weekends.**
- **All other Recreation & Parks rules and regulations, as well as, all City of Middletown ordinances apply.**