



Dog Park Policy

BACKGROUND

Otsego County was approached by private individuals interested in creating a Dog Park at the County's property at 580 S. Illinois Avenue in Gaylord. The County agreed to allow the use as long as it is understood that the County is not responsible for upkeep/maintenance at the facility. The intent of this policy is to set rules to ensure the safety of those using the Dog Park.

POLICY

1. The Park will be open to the public from May 1 through October 31. These dates are tentative and may be adjusted by the County based on weather constraints.
2. The Park hours are from 8:00 a.m. through 10:00 p.m.
3. Dogs over 20 pounds are only allowed in the area designated for large animals.
4. Dogs 20 pounds and under are only allowed in the area designated for small animals.
5. Dogs must be leashed until entering the park and prior to leaving the park area.
6. Owners are legally responsible for their dogs and any injuries caused by them.
7. Dogs must never be left unattended.
8. All dogs must be properly licensed, vaccinated, and healthy.
9. Dogs must wear a current license.
10. Owners are required to clean up after their dogs.
11. No unsterilized animals are permitted in the park area.
12. Dogs that show aggression toward people or other dogs should not use the park.
13. Violators will be subject to removal and any penalties provided by law.
14. Continued use of the property as a dog park is contingent upon volunteers providing the maintenance and upkeep for the park.
15. Smoking and tobacco products are not allowed in the fenced in dog run areas, nor at the nearby seating and pavilion.

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