

Barkland Dog Park Rules and Regulations

The Dog Park, known as "Barkland" is an unsupervised facility, dedicated to use as a dog park, and users enter at their own risk. By entering Barkland, dog owners expressly understand and accept that the city is not responsible for any and all damages which may be caused by their dog or other dogs. Owners and those with custody of a dog are legally responsible for their dogs, and for compliance with Ordinance 2020-006, and any injury they may cause and for complying with the regulations set forth herein.

- A. Barkland is open daily from 7:30am to sunset. All persons and dogs must vacate the park when it is not open.
- B. All dogs must have current rabies shots and current rabies tag and license displayed on their collar or harness at all times. Dangerous dogs, as defined under Section 767.11, Florida Statutes, are prohibited from entering Barkland.
- C. All dog waste must be disposed of immediately and completely by placing the waste in the proper container in Barkland.
- D. If a dog exhibits aggressive behavior it must be removed from the park immediately by the handler. The handler shall immediately comply with any directive from a Park Ranger or Broward Sheriff's Deputy with respect to a direction to remove a dog exhibiting aggressive behavior.
- E. Owners or handlers of a dog must be with the dog at all times and may bring a maximum of two (2) dogs per person per visit.
- F. Dogs must have a collar and held by a leash when entering or exiting the park. Handlers must carry a leash for each dog in their care while in the park. All handlers shall keep their dogs under visual and voice control at all times.
- G. Dogs that are in heat or sick are not allowed in the park.
- H. No animals other than dogs are permitted.
- I. Puppies under four (4) months of age are not permitted in the park.
- J. Children under the age of twelve (12) must be supervised by an adult at all times.
- K. If a dog digs, the owner or handler is responsible for stopping its behavior and refilling the area.
- L. No food, treats, alcoholic beverages (soft drinks and water are allowed), strollers, bicycles, or children's toys are allowed in the dog park.
- M. Choke, prong, pinch and spike collars are not allowed in the park.
- N. Professional dog trainers are not permitted to use this facility for training.
- O. Dog pools are prohibited.

O. Use of this facility shall be for a dog park; any other use is prohibited.

Q. Owners and/or handlers shall immediately report all incidents in which his/her dog bites a human or another dog to the Broward Sheriff's Office at (954)764-4357. Unless immediate medical attention is required for the dog or the handler, the handler shall wait at Barkland with the dog.

R. All dogs must be accompanied by a handler while in Barkland.

S. All handlers shall be at least 16 years of age.

T. Barkland has separately designated areas of the park for dogs of different sizes. All handlers shall only place their dogs in the areas set aside for dogs their size.

Dogs and their handlers, who violate these rules are subject to removal from the park and possible suspension of right to use the park and the handler shall be subject to prosecution for violation of a municipal ordinance. A handler who refuses an instruction to remove their dog from the park where such instruction is given by a Park Ranger or Broward Sheriff's Officer working in the City shall be subject to separate prosecution for violation of this ordinance in addition to the action which caused the City to request removal of the dog.