

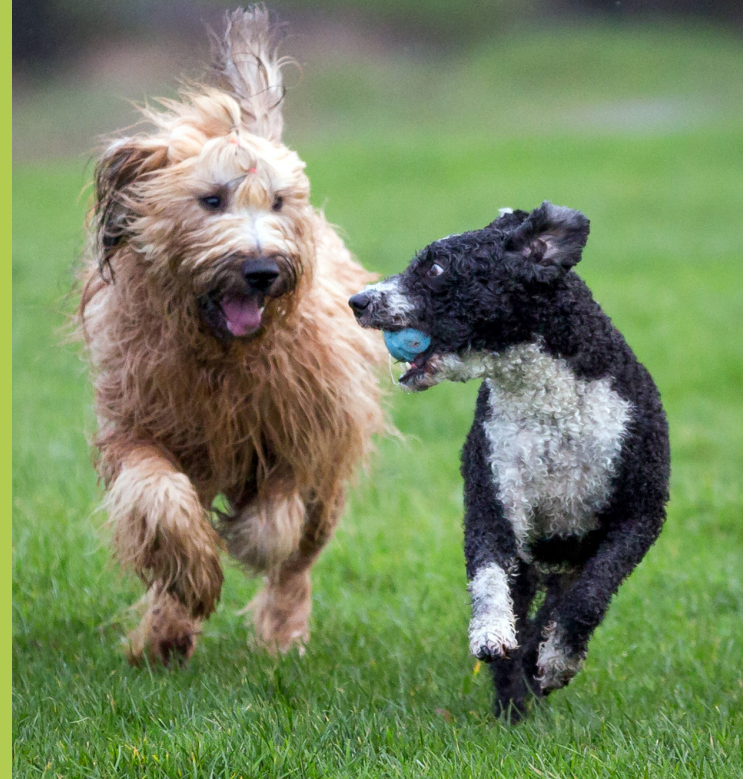
## Hillsborough County Dog Parks



- 1 Apollo Beach Dog Park**  
664 Golf and Sea Blvd., Apollo Beach
- 2 Carolyn Meeker Dog Park**  
122 1st Ave. S.W., Lutz
- 3 Carrollwood Village Park Dog Park**  
4680 West Village Drive, Tampa
- 4 Logan Gate Dog Park**  
7374 Monterey Blvd., Tampa
- 5 Mango Dog Park**  
11717 Clay Pit Road, Seffner
- 6 New Tampa Dog Park (Coming Soon)**  
8551 Hunters Village Road, Tampa
- 7 Northwest County Dog Park**  
8951 W. Waters Ave., Tampa
- 8 Saladino Dog Park**  
1705 Bryan Road, Brandon
- 9 West Dog Park**  
6402 Occident St., Tampa



# Petiquette in the Park



## *The Do's and Don'ts of the Dog Park*

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County Florida**  
Parks & Recreation

## Know before you go.

- Does your dog do well off the leash?
- Is your dog social?
- Has your dog had regular, positive interaction with other dogs?
- Is your dog current with vaccinations?

## First-time Visitor Tips

- Visit the park at non-peak hours. Weekends, early morning, and late afternoon are the busiest.
- It may take several visits before your dog feels comfortable with the dog-park setting – let them have time to adjust.
- Supervise your dog closely at all times to prevent aggressive or inappropriate behavior.

## Entering and Exiting the Park

- Only one dog is allowed in the dog park transition entrance – do not enter if someone is in that area.
- Remove your dog's leash in the transition area before entering the unleashed park.
- Quickly move away from the entrance and toward an open area of the park to help disperse groups of dogs that may come over to greet you and your dog.

## At the Dog Park

- Declared dangerous or aggressive dogs are prohibited in the park.
- Dogs showing aggression toward people or other dogs will be removed from the park at the request of on-site park staff.
- Children less than 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.
- Clean up after your pet. Scoop bags are provided at all Hillsborough County dog parks.

- Food, either dog or human, is not permitted.
- If your dog digs a hole, fill the hole immediately.
- Keep your dog leashed at all times while outside the fenced dog park area. Allowing dogs off-leash outside the fenced area violates the County's leash law.
- Ask the owner's permission before approaching their dog.
- Use caution when permitting curious dogs to greet yours.
- Stay alert at all times. Dogs may run into people standing around, causing injury to both dog and person.
- Dogs that bark persistently could be a nuisance, and if requested, dog and owner should leave the park.

**Rules are posted at each dog park.  
Please read and obey the rules.**

## Prevent an accident before it happens.

- **Play Time:** Be aware that dogs have different play styles, temperaments, and physical abilities. Respect the wishes of the owner, and be prepared to move to another area with your dog.
- **Posture:** Dog body language can communicate fear, hostility, or submission. Learn to read and respond to your dog's posture and body language.
- **Possession:** Whether it's you, a toy, or a treat, dogs will protect what's theirs. Remain alert when bringing toys to the park, or consider leaving these items at home.
- **Provoking:** If your dog is provoking other dogs or people leave the park.

**Keep the dog park safe and clean for everyone to enjoy.**

