

**Burlington Parks & Recreation
Pet Policy**



The following policy will be enforced at department sponsored outdoor programs and events:

- Pets must be under control around crowds and other dogs
- Pets must be short-leashed (6' or less) with leash in-hand, under control and by your side at all times. Retractable and/or extended leashes are prohibited.
- Pets are not permitted in confined areas, such as playgrounds, fenced in courts or in picnic areas.
- Pet owners are required to immediately pick up after their pets as outlined in the Town of Burlington General Bylaws, Article XIII, section 2.7.
- Pets must wear a current license/ID and rabies tags.
- Any damages caused by the pet are the responsibility of the pet owner.

If a pet exhibits signs of aggression, such as growling, excessive barking, lunging, or biting, the owner will be required to remove the pet immediately.

These restrictions shall not apply to registered service animals.

This policy may be enforced by any member of the Burlington Parks and Recreation Department, the Animal Control Officer and/or any police officer.

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