

# City of Farmington Hills Dog Park Rules and Regulations



For the health and safety of our dogs and everyone who enters the dog park gated area, we have developed the following rules and regulations.

# **Dog Park Registration Requirements**

- 1. Register up to three dogs per household. No more than two dogs per owner/handler are allowed at one time
- 2. Registrations are to be renewed annually and are valid through January 31st.
- 3. Registration is for Farmington Hills and Farmington residents only.
- 4. Registration fees are not prorated regardless of purchase date.
- 5. All dogs must be licensed in accordance with City of Farmington Hills/Farmington and Oakland County. Owners/handlers must attend the mandatory orientation session.
- 6. At time of registration, proof of current vaccinations for Rabies, DHLPP or DAPPL (Distemper), and bordetella are required. Fecal exam is encouraged.
- 7. One key fob entry pass will be issued per household. The key fob is not transferable. Replacement fee for lost fob is \$10.
- 8. Dog Park Tags will be issued at time of registration and must be worn by the dog at all times within the dog park. The Dog Park Tag is not transferable. Replacement fee for lost tag is \$5.

## **General Rules**

- 1. Dogs must be on a leash when entering and exiting the Dog Park fenced area. Owners must carry a leash with them at all times in the park.
- 2. Dogs exhibiting aggressive behavior or barking excessively must be immediately removed from the park.
- 3. Minimum age for users is 18 years of age. Children between 6-17 years of age may enter with a parent or guardian. Children younger than 6 years of age are not permitted in the Dog Park fenced area.
- 4. Dogs must be supervised at all times. Never leave your dogs in the park unattended.
- 5. Users must clean up their dog(s) waste and deposit it in the receptacles provided.
- 6. No people food, dog food or treats are allowed in the park.
- 7. The following are not permitted in the Dog Park: dogs in heat, dogs under the age of four months, dogs with contagious diseases or internal or external parasites, aggressive dogs, dogs on a leash, dogs with, harnesses or pinch, prong, spike or chain collars, dog toys, smoking, alcoholic beverages, glass containers, professional dog trainers, bicycles, strollers, and animals other than dogs.

### **Additional Information**

- 1. Use of the Dog Park area is at the user's own risk.
- 2. Users are legally responsible for their dogs and any injuries and/or damages caused by their dog(s).
- 3. The City of Farmington Hills reserves the right to prohibit the use of the site to any user who is in violation of these rules.
- 4. From time to time, parts or the entire park may be closed for maintenance purposes.
- 5. For the safety of all registered dogs, please do not allow anyone without a key fob pass into the Dog Park.
- 6. Small dog area is for dogs less than 22 pounds.

# William Grace Dog Park 29040 Shiawassee Road

#### **Hours:**

March & April	May - August	September & October	November - February
Mon-Fri: 8 am - 8 pm	Mon-Fri: 8 am - 9 pm	Mon-Fri: 8 am - 8 pm	Mon-Fri: 8 am - 6 pm
Sat & Sun: 10 am - 8 pm	Sat & Sun: 10 am - 9 pm	Sat & Sun: 10 am - 8 pm	Sat & Sun: 10 am - 6 pm

# **Complaint and/or Rule Violation Process**

In the event that any of the rules are violated by a fob holder, a complaint is made against a fob holder, or a violation is witnessed by an employee of Farmington Hills Special Services Department (the "Department") the following steps will be taken:\*

#### First Incident

- After review by an authorized employee of the Department, which may include talking to any witness to the incident, the fob holder may receive a documented verbal warning from the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services.
- The verbal warning will be reviewed with the fob holder by an authorized employee of Farmington Hills Special Services and a notation will be made in the file of the fob holder.

## **Second Incident**

- After review by an authorized employee of the Department, which may include talking to any witness to the incident, the fob holder may receive a written warning which may include suspension from the Dog Park for 30 days from the date of infraction.
- The written warning and all prior complaints will be reviewed with the fob holder by an authorized employee of Farmington Hills Special Services.
- A copy of the written warning will be placed in the fob holder's file.

# **Third Incident**

- After notification of the third incident, the fob holder's Dog Park privileges will be immediately suspended pending an investigation.
- All prior complaints will be reviewed with the fob holder.
- If the third complaint is found to be justified after an investigation by an authorized employee of the Department, the fob holder is subject to further suspension of Dog Park privileges, up to and including permanent revocation of Dog Park privileges including deactivation of the fob.
- A determination of revocation may be appealed by the fob holder to the Director of the Department.

\*Depending on the severity of the incident, Farmington Hills Special Services reserves the right to prohibit the use of the site to any user who is in violation of the Dog Park rules. Furthermore, this process is in addition to any tickets or complaints that may be issued and prosecuted in the event of incidents involving violations of City ordinances or Michigan statutes, and enforcement of the above steps shall not be deemed to waive or release an offender from prosecution for same.

Michigan Penal Code750.66: Persons 18 and older must provide name and address when the dog under their control has bitten another person. Dog handler must provide vaccination information and remain at the scene of the bite until all of the above information is provided.