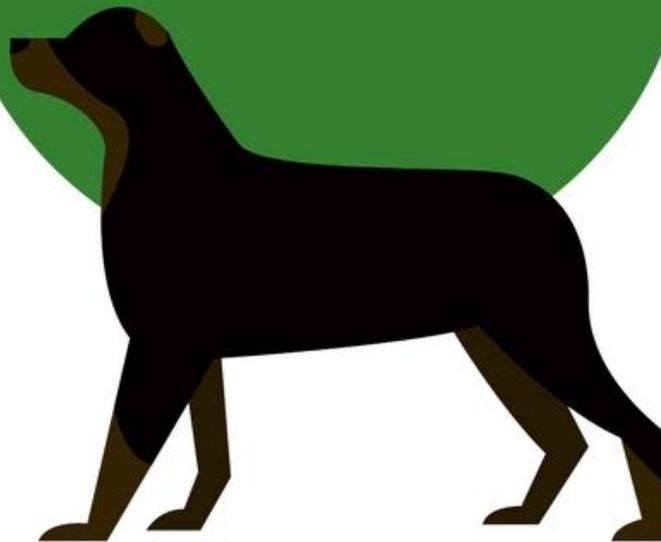


Rensselaer Dog Park

**DOG PARK RULES, REGULATIONS, AND
RECCOMENDATIONS**



Dog Pass🐾

All dogs visiting Rensselaer Dog Park must have a valid pass. To obtain a dog pass please visit the Rensselaer Parks office between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. or visit our website at:

www.RensselaerParks.com

Rensselaer Parks Department

Park Office

220 N. College

Rensselaer, IN 47978

There is no charge to join the Dog Park.

However, this park was made possible by donations and we do have annual operational and maintenance cost and thus we encourage you to make a donation with your application.

A dog pass is required for every dog.

Dog passes become available in January for the current year.

Dog owners must provide proof that rabies, distemper, parvo, and leptospirosis vaccinations are up to date and were administered by a licensed veterinarian.

All dog passes shall be valid from the time they are issued until December 31 of the same year. Fees will not be pro-rated. Color-coded tags will contain a registration number and the year for which the tag is valid.





Park Rules and Regulations

1. Small Dogs are 25 pounds or less. Large dogs are 25 pounds or more.
2. Must have permit and sign documents prior to use of dog park. Only registered dogs and their owners displaying a park pass are allowed in the dog park. A member who knowingly allows an unregistered dog in the park will risk having their membership revoked.
3. Dog pass must be worn by owners and visible while in the fenced area with their dog.
4. All dogs must be leashed outside of the fenced areas. Prong and choke collars are not allowed.
5. All dogs must be current on: rabies, distemper, parvo, leptospirosis vaccines, heart worm and flea prevention treatment. Proof of this must be provided and included as part of the registration process. Bordetella vaccines are highly recommended for the safety of your own dog's health.
6. For safety reasons, children 12 and under will not be permitted in the dog park fenced area. 13-17 must have an adult present.
7. No puppies under 4 months allowed in the park.
8. Aggressive dogs, ill dogs, and females in heat are not permitted in the park. Dogs that exhibit vicious, fierce, or dangerous behavior are not permitted at any time in the park. If your dog becomes unruly or aggressive you must leash your dog and exit the enclosure.
9. Food, glass containers, cigarettes, and alcohol are not permitted in fences area. These items can be enticing and hazardous to pets. Small bite sized training treats are permitted if enclosed in a plastic bag. Please be discreet when dispensing them. Do not share dog treats without owners permission.
10. Be respectful of other dogs and their owners. Do not allow your dog to be a nuisance to other dogs and their owners. Animal abuse will not be tolerated and will be reported to authorities.
11. Owners are legally and financially responsible for their dogs and any injuries or damage caused by their dogs. If property damage or injury occurs please report to 911.
12. Use of the park is at your own risk, including but not limited to the risk of being bitten, knocked, down, or other unforeseen accidents.
13. Dogs are expected to have basic obedience training and respond to voice commands.
14. Excessive barking and fence fighting must be discouraged.
15. No digging allowed in the park or along the fencing. Owners must try to fill in any holes their dogs may dig.
16. Frisbees, balls, and retrieval toys are allowed, but be prepared to share them with other park visitors.
17. Maximum number of dogs allowed in one time is 20 dogs on a weekday and 40 on the weekends.
18. Park hours are from dawn to 11 p.m.
19. Bicycles, inline skates, roller skates, skateboards, strollers, and all motorized vehicles are not permitted in the dog park. However, wheelchairs, motorized wheelchairs, crutches and walkers are permitted.
20. No one, especially children, outside of the fence should ever yell at the dogs, tease them, call them to the fence, or attempt to pet a dog through the fences.



21. Shoes must be worn at all times.
22. Any violations of these rules will be subject to having their membership revoked and not allowed back. Banned members may submit a request to the Parks Dept for their considerations for re-approval.

PARK RECCOMENDATIONS

- Do not open the outside gate if an inside gate is open. Be patient.
- Ensure that all gates are closed behind you. Check all entrances before unleashing your dog.
- Remove your dog's leash inside the holding pen. Be sure the gate area is not congested with excited dogs ready to pounce on your dog. Enter the area, close the gate, and move your dog away from the entrance.
- Have drinking water readily available for your dog before and after exercise. You must provide your own bowls.
- ALL dogs benefit from guidance and structure. Basic training is a must for safety, and a well-socialized happy dog. This is one of the best things you can do for your dog- and your family and friends.



DOG PASS

Rensselaer Dog Park

815 Bunkum Road

Rensselaer, IN

All dogs visiting Rensselaer Dog park must have a dog pass visible attached to their collar and a liability waiver signed by their owner on file at the Parks and Recreation Department. If you need a dog pass for more than one dog, make copies of this form, and fill one out separately for each dog. Please read and sign the liability waiver. Questions? Please call 219-866-7014.

Name of Owner

Phone Number

Email address

Address

Zip code

Name of Dog

Dog Breed

Age of Dog

Name of Vet

Vet's Phone Number

Date of last rabies vaccination

of rabies certificate

Date of Distemper/Parvo vaccination

Return this form, along with vaccination records documenting current inoculations for Rabies, Parvo and Distemper to : **Rensselaer Park Office, PO Box 304 Rensselaer, IN 47978.**

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This permit shall be valid from the date of issue until the following December 31. Color-coded tags will contain a registration number and the year registered for each permit. This tag must be visible attached to your dog's collar at all times.

I have been provided with a copy of the Rensselaer Dog Park rules, regulations, and recommendations and agree to abide by all rules set forth therein.

Signature of Applicant

Date



Release of Liability

I hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate and use with my dog(s) the Rensselaer Dog Park. I understand that the act of unleashing my dog(s) and being physically present inside the dog parks will necessarily involved risks of injury to me, other people, my dog(s), and other dogs, thus these risks are entirely my responsibility. I expressly assume all of these risks. I further understand that dogs, irrespective of their training and usual past behavior or characteristics, may act or react unpredictably at times based upon instinct or circumstance, and I agree to assume the risk of injury to me, any individual accompanying me in either dog park, and my dog(s). I understand that the risk may result from fierce, aggressive, vicious, and dangerous dogs, which may be present in the dog parks. I further understand and assume the risk that not all dogs present in the dog parks have received the Rabies vaccine as required by law, and that not all dogs using the dog parks have been vaccinated for Distemper or Parvo, all of which could result in injury to me and my dog(s). Additional risks include, but are not limited to: dog fights, dog bites and injuries to humans and other dogs; dog theft or unlawful capture; dog escape over or under fences; plants and/or water sources in the park may be poisonous to dogs; park vegetation may have burrs or seeds that could become tangles in a dog's coat or lodge in a dog's feet, ears, nose, or eyes; mosquitoes, ticks, chiggers, fleas or other insects may be present; wild animals such as skunks, raccoons, opossums, or stray dogs could be present in the parks, all of which might injury infect my dog(s). I understand and expressly assume all additional rusks.

It is my understanding that no agent or employee of the Rensselaer Parks or the City of Rensselaer will supervise the Dog Park at any time. I further understand that neither Rensselaer Parks Department nor the City of Rensselaer assumes liability for loss, damage, or any kind of injury sustained by any human or dog while using the dog parks. I, therefore, expressly assume all risks associated with using the dog parks, as well as fixtures and equipment located therein, in unsupervised manner.

By signing this release of liability and using the Rensselaer Dog Park, I hereby fully and forever release and discharge Rensselaer Parks Department, Rensselaer Park Board and the City of Rensselaer and their employees and agents from any and all claims, demands, damages, rights of action, or causes of action present or future, whether the same be knows or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, resulting from or arising out of my use or intended use of said dog park premises. I fully and forever release and discharge Rensselaer Dog Park, and the City of Rensselaer, and their employees and agents from any and all negligent acts and omissions in the same, and intend to be legally bound by this lease.

I have carefully read this release of liability and understand and fully agree with its contents. I also have received a copy of the brochure outlining rules for use, etiquette for dog owners and recommendation for dog owners.

This is a release of liability. Do not sign if you do not understand or do not agree with its terms.



Signature _____

Date _____

