RULES & REGULATIONS*
Dog owners must adhere to the following rules when visiting City of Boise parks with their dogs:
- Dogs must wear a current license. All dogs over the age of 16 weeks must be licensed through the city annually. For more information, see cityofboise.org/animal-license.
- Dogs may not harass humans or animals, including other dogs and wildlife.
- Dogs must be on a leash unless in an area otherwise indicated.
- Owners are required to remove fecal matter deposited by their pets.

RESTRICTED AREAS*
There are a number of parks within the City of Boise that have dog restrictions. Pets are not permitted (service animals welcome) in the following parks:
- Bernardine Quinn Riverside Park and Ponds
- BMX Park at Willow Lane Athletic Complex
- Boise Depot/Platt Gardens
- Charles F. McDevitt Sports Complex (March 1 - Oct. 31)
- Esther Simplot Park and Ponds (with the exception of the Greenbelt Pathway)
- Fort Boise Military Cemetery
- Hyatt Hidden Lakes Reserve
- J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation Bike Park
- Marianne Williams Park (with the exception of the Greenbelt Pathway)
- Military Reserve Bike Park
- Morris Hill Cemetery
- Optimist Youth Sports Complex (Sept. 1 - Oct. 31 and March 1 - May 31)
- Pioneer Cemetery
- Simplot Sports Complex
- Skate Parks
- Veterans Memorial Park Pond
- Willow Lane Athletic Complex (March 1 - Oct. 31)

* Park users in violation of any of the above ordinances or any other rules of the parks outlined in Boise City Code may be cited, fined and/or asked to leave.

OFF-LEASH TIPS
Please remember the following when using designated off-leash areas:
- Gates, where present, must be closed upon entering and exiting.
- Never leave your dogs unattended or allow them out of sight, and never leave the area without your dogs.
- Always carry a leash; leash dogs when entering/leaving the park.
- You are legally responsible for your dog’s behavior and any injuries or damages they cause.
- Many people are afraid of dogs – even friendly ones. Never assume people want to meet your dog.
- Many dogs – even the most obedient – can become aroused visually, by a scent, or by noise, and may chase or scare wildlife away from nesting, feeding and resting sites. Be courteous to wildlife; have your leash ready.
- Use caution: Wildlife may bite or transmit disease to your dog, or your dog may ingest poisonous plants.
- Dogs that are in heat or not neutered should be kept away from other dogs.
- For safety reasons, please remove pinch, spike/choke collars and halters before entering off-leash areas.
- Some dogs are not used to being around children and may react negatively. If there are children in the area, please keep your dog under your immediate control.
- Give your dog lots of drinking water before and after exercise (you too); check ears and between toes for pesky seeds or thorns.

LEARN MORE
Learn more about Boise’s dog parks and off-leash areas at cityofboise.org/dog-parks.
Dogs can run off-leash in designated areas of the Boise Foothills, so long as they do not disturb wildlife or cause a safety concern with other trail users.

Trail rules to remember:
- Several trails are designated as “Controlled Off-Leash.” This means dogs must be within 30 feet of the owner and stay on the trail.
- Dogs must not approach or harass people, other pets or wildlife.
- Bring along waste bags or “mutt mitts” and be prepared to clean up after your dog.
- Share the trails by managing your dog!
Learn more at ridgetorivers.org.