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Dog Park Annual Permit 2012

PRINT CLEARLY

(All permits expire **December 31**)

Annual Permit-\$43 _____ (If you have a Friends of City Park membership) \$38 _____ Comp _____

Owner's Name _____

Mailing address _____ City/St _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell: _____ E-mail _____

Car: Make & year: _____ State & License Plate # _____

Current rabies/shot verification

_____ My dog/s are wearing current rabies/license tags. (required)

1st Dog's Name _____ Breed _____

Age _____ Sex _____ WT _____

Color _____ Markings _____ MIX (type) _____

2nd Dog's Name _____ Breed _____

Age _____ Sex _____ WT _____

Color _____ Markings _____ MIX (type) _____

3rd Dog's Name _____ Breed _____

Age _____ Sex _____ WT _____

Color _____ Markings _____ MIX (type) _____

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

As a condition of use, I understand that the use of this park and recreational facilities means that I am taking and assuming certain risks of damage or injury to myself, my guest(s), my property, my dog (s) and to others in the park and associated facilities. I realize that when dogs are around people and other dogs, some accident or injury may result, and that people, dogs and property might be injured or damaged.

I hereby agree to assume these risks, for myself, my guests, my property, and my dog(s). I agree that it is solely my responsibility to determine whether the dog park property itself and any particular situation involving other members, guests and dogs is safe for myself, my guest(s), my property, and my dog(s).

In exchange for the opportunity to use this park and its facilities, according to the Rules and Regulations, I hereby release and discharge the State of Louisiana, New Orleans City Park and the City Park Improvement Association, the Park Employment and Procurement Corporation, Friends of City Park and NOLA City Bark and its officers, directors, and employees and the City of New Orleans from any and all liability, claims, demands, causes of action, loss, damage or injury to person or property, including any death, serious or other damage or injury which may result while I or my guest(s), my property, or my dog(s) are on the dog park premises.

I will hold harmless and indemnify the State of Louisiana, New Orleans City Park, City Park Improvement Association, the Park Employment and Procurement Corporation, Friends of City Park and NOLA City Bark, and its officers, directors, and employees and the City of New Orleans from any and all liability, claims, demands, causes of action, loss, damage or injury to person or property, including any death and serious or other damage or injury which may be caused by myself, my guest(s), my property or my dog(s) while on the dog park premises.

I am 18 years old or older and have the legal capacity to enter into a binding agreement. I intend for this release to be binding upon my heirs, successors, beneficiaries, next of kin, personal representatives or executors, and assigns.

Signature of Permit Holder

Date

**DOG PARK
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Persons who choose to use the Dog Park, as a condition of use, agree to the following rules: Please initial each rule to indicate that you have read it, understand it, and agree to abide by it. Failure to follow them may result in the revocation of your permit.

_____ **Dogs must be spayed or neutered**

_____ Dogs must be healthy, vaccinated, and **collared** with current rabies & ID tags. **Choke or prong collars are not allowed** in the off-leash area. Bordetella shots are strongly recommended.

_____ Puppies under 6 months are prohibited.

_____ Limit of three dogs from a household per visit.

_____ **Children 8 & under are prohibited from entering fenced dog park area- NO EXCEPTIONS.**

_____ Children under 16 years must be accompanied by an adult and should not run, chase dogs, or pet other people's dogs unless permission is granted by the owner. Children are not allowed to bring toys into the park (including footballs.)

_____ When entering the dog park, remove your dog's leash only in the "howdy gate" area. Dogs must be on leash and under control by their owners/handlers at all times when **outside** of fenced park area & off leash **inside** dog park.

_____ Dog park gates must be closed immediately after entering or exiting the park.

_____ Only small (under 25 lbs.) or special needs dogs are allowed to use the small dog area. For safety reasons, it is strongly advised that dogs weighing less than 15 lbs. remain in the small dog park.

_____ Owners/handlers must discourage their dogs from running to meet other dogs at the gate.

_____ Dogs showing aggression toward people or other animals must be leashed and immediately removed from the park by owners/handlers.

_____ Owners/handlers must remain inside of fenced area, **with leash in hand, and within view** and voice control of their dogs at all times.

_____ Owners/handlers must immediately clean up after their dog(s) and properly dispose of waste.

_____ Owners/handlers must stop their dogs from digging and immediately fill any holes dug.

_____ No dog treats, rawhides chews or human food within fenced area. No glass containers are allowed.

_____ No dog toys except balls or Frisbees.

_____ No bicycles, rollerblades, skateboards, strollers or scooters allowed in the park. No jogging allowed in park.

_____ No smoking, alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or firearms allowed in park.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by all of the Dog Park Rules and Regulations, the Release and Waiver Liability and Assumption of Risk. I understand that the New Orleans City Park Dog Park reserves the right to alter or amend these rules and regulations at any time.

Owner Signature _____ **Date** _____

FOR STAFF USE ONLY

Permit #: _____ Date _____

Payment received _____ Check ___ Cash ___ CC: Visa ___ MasterCard ___ Am.Ex ___ Discover ___
(Checks payable to City Park)

Card # _____ Expiration _____ SEC _____

PET PERSONALITY PROFILE

You have read the rules and signed that your dog is spayed/neutered, over the age of 6 months, and up-to-date on all inoculations. But there is more you should consider before bringing your dog to the park.

NOT ALL DOGS ARE CANDIDATES FOR A DOG PARK-there are some great dogs that do not belong in a dog park. Thoughtfully read the following questions and comments to help you determine if the dog park is a place for you and your pet.

- ❁ **Is your dog a rescue and/or newly adopted?** If you and your dog are new to each other and not completely bonded, it is best to wait until you are confident that he is a good candidate for the dog park. Your dog needs to know that you are in charge and that he can trust you. You need to know your dog's personality (see the points below) to know if the park is the place for him. If your dog is a rescue with an unknown background or with a history of abuse and/or aggression training, he should not come to the dog park until he is completely socialized and can be trusted around other dogs. Some dogs that have been abused or trained to fight might never be ready to play well with other dogs and should not come to the dog park.
- ❁ **Has your dog been socialized and accustomed to interacting with other dogs?** Learn of your dog's tolerance for other dogs and dog play situations **before** bringing him to the dog park. Your dog will benefit from play with other dogs in a smaller social situation such as doggie day care or at home with friends' or relatives' dogs before experiencing the hectic environment of the dog park.
- ❁ **Is your dog fearful or anxious?** If he fears other dogs and high-activity, he will probably not be happy at the dog park, especially at busy, crowded times. Again, socialization on a smaller scale and then, when he is ready, at the dog park during times of low activity would better suit your pet.
- ❁ **Is your dog aggressive?** If your dog is aggressive toward other dogs or people, visits to a dog park will escalate this behavior and put your pet and other people's pets at risk. If you wish to change your dog's behavior, you should work with a qualified dog behaviorist and socialize your dog before joining the dog park. Dogs that have ever bitten another dog or human that had to be medically treated should be carefully evaluated by a trainer as to their suitability for a dog park. Dogs with aggression issues should never be in the dog park.
- ❁ **Is your dog a bully?** Some dogs, whether it is due to innate personality or learning experiences, just don't play well with others. A dog who bullies provokes fights, and if the behavior is allowed to continue the dog is intrinsically rewarded for the behavior and the bullying will worsen over time. Dog bullies should not be at the dog park.
- ❁ **Is your dog a doggie dork?** Some dogs lack social skills. They don't bully on purpose, but they don't play politely and just seem socially clueless. They don't know their space or respect other dogs' space. They are high in energy levels and play rough. They don't know how to read the signals from the other dogs to back off and stop the rough play; they just don't understand the other dogs' attempt to communicate. They can hurt people and other dogs, and be the cause of a fight, even though they are not being intentionally aggressive. A doggie dork would also benefit from lessons with a dog behaviorist before coming to the dog park.

After reading the above, if you feel that you and your dog are ready to be part of NOLA City Bark, please sign below.

I have read the above information and feel that my dog(s) _____, _____, and _____ are ready to enjoy the dog park. I acknowledge that if I feel at any time that my dog(s) is not well suited for the dog park, then for his safety and the safety of others, I will remove him from NOLA City Bark until he is socialized and ready to be a good dog park citizen.

PET OWNER'S NAME: _____ DATE: _____
SIGNATURE: _____