

## **Important Reminders**

(for a complete list of rules, please see signs posted at parks/off-leash areas)

- Off-Leash hours are suspended at Fitzgerald and Chanteloup Fields during rainy periods and when closed for maintenance or special events.
- Cleaning up after your dog is mandatory. Please leave areas clean and usable for others.
- Keep your dog on leash until you reach the inside of the off-leash areas. Dogs must be under control at all times and should respond to your commands.
- Certain dogs are not appropriate to use the areas including puppies under 4 months, females in heat and aggressive or under-socialized dogs.
- The City of San Mateo assumes no liability for the users of the off-leash areas. Use these facilities at your own risk.
- Respect your fellow park users by not allowing your dog to run off-leash outside of the stated program times and locations. Violators will be subject to citation.

### **Seal Point Dog Park**

This nearly 3 acre facility located at Seal Point Park (J. Hart Clinton Drive) is a dedicated off-leash park with two play areas, one for large and another for small dogs. Access is available 7 days a week from 6:00 a.m. to dusk.



## **A word from our friends at the Peninsula Humane Society.....**

### **Before you take your dog to a dog park**

Visit without your dog, preferably at several different times of day, to get a feel for the park, and the kinds of crowds you may encounter.

Know your dog! It is not advisable to bring a dog to a park during your first days or weeks together; give yourself time to know your dog's behaviors, limitations, and mastery of commands.

Gradually socialize your dog. Taking your dog immediately to such an exciting setting could adversely affect a shy dog. Start with a more disciplined arena like a training class, or supervised interactions on-leash with another dog. Once they're comfortable with this, introduce one-on-one off-leash interactions. If your dog does well, allow off-leash interactions with other dogs.

Understand that people enter dog parks at their own risk; in areas where dogs are free to roam off-leash, it is almost impossible to determine which dog is at fault when a dog fight occurs.

The Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA is a wonderful resource for all dog owners. For more information visit [www.PHS-SPCA.org](http://www.PHS-SPCA.org) or call 650/340-7022.

- To report immediate problems at a location or rule violators, call the Park Rangers at 522-7485 or the Police Department non-emergency number at 522-7700.

# City of San Mateo



## Off-Leash Dog Guide





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We love dogs and have an established off-leash play area for them at Seal Point Park. There are 2 play areas; 1 for large and another for small dogs at that site. These large areas (3 acres) have been very popular, and a great amenity.

In late 2009, numerous community members requested that off-leash opportunities be provided at other parks as well. In response, the Parks and Recreation Commission approved a pilot off-leash dog program adding 4 new areas which began in March 2010.

The new program was very successful and in April 2011, all 4 new sites became established off-leash areas that the public can enjoy. Laurie Meadows Park was added in 2014.

## Locations:

Laurie Meadows Park  
**Daily, Sunrise—Sunset**

Fitzgerald Field (Central Park)  
Chanteloup Field (Beresford Park)  
**Monday - Friday, 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.**

John Lee Dog Park (near WWTP) and Los Prados Fenced Run (Southwest Corner)

**Available during Park Operating Hrs Daily 6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.**

Off-leash use is prohibited on Fitzgerald and Chanteloup Fields during rainy periods and when closed for maintenance or special events. **Please remember that other than these specified times and location's, all dogs must be kept on a leash in all other parks.**

