

Corby Dog Park

Application and Member Information

Annual membership passes to the Corby Dog Park are issued for a one-year period and are good for the calendar year in which they are purchased. Owners/members must be at least eighteen (18) years of age, and present proof of current certain vaccinations for their dog(s). Members may visit the Corby Dog Park during regular park hours. The St. Joseph Parks Department reserves the right to close the Corby Dog Park at any time for maintenance purposes. An annual membership pass consists of a collar tag for each dog.

Dog Park Membership Requirements

Membership to the St. Joseph dog park is required in order to utilize the facility. The low cost membership is available to all people and their dogs. All dogs that use the park must wear a unique tag that identifies that they have the required vaccinations. In order to obtain a dog park membership tag from local veterinarians or the City the following is required:

City of St. Joseph residents must have:

- Current animal registration.
- Proof of current vaccination for: Rabies and Distemper Parvo combo vaccine.
- Vaccinating your dog for Bordetella is recommended but not required.
- Proof that dog has been spayed or neutered (dog must be spayed or neutered to access the park).

Non-City Residents must have:

- Proof of current vaccination for: Rabies and Distemper Parvo combo vaccine.
- Vaccinating your dog for Bordetella is recommended but not required.
- Proof that dog has been spayed or neutered (dog must be spayed or neutered to access the park).
- A uniquely shaped and/or colored dog park tag will be issued during each calendar year. Dog park membership and tags are valid for each calendar year. (I.e. A 2015 tag issued in July of 2015 would be valid until January 1, 2016.)
- The dog park tag and city registration tag (if applicable) must be worn at all times while in the park. Upon approval of this application, payment of the annual fee, and issuance of the collar tag(s), the individual(s) and the dog(s) identified in this application may use the dog park in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations. A nominal membership fee of \$5.00 per dog will be collected in exchange for park membership.

The application consists of this instruction sheet and the following:

1. Dog Park Requirements (customer copy)
2. Corby Dog Park Rules and Etiquette (customer copy)
3. Owner and Dog Information Sheet (file copy)
 - a. Attach a copy of each dog's vaccination record.
 - b. Attach a copy of the City of St. Joseph License receipt for each dog or current license number issued by the City of St. Joseph (if applicable).
4. Acceptance of Risk and Release of Liability Waiver Form (file copy)

Applications are available and dog park memberships can be acquired at the following locations:

St. Joseph Animal Control and Rescue
701 Lower Lake Rd.
St. Joseph, MO 64504

City Hall – Customer Service Room 104
1100 Frederick
St. Joseph, MO 64501

All Creatures Animal Hospital
3506 Messanie St.
St. Joseph, MO 64507

Angel's Vet Express
11519 St. Rt C.
Savannah, MO 64485

Countryside Veterinary Clinic
5025 Frederick Ave
St. Joseph, MO 64506

East Hills Animal Hospital
713 N Belt Hwy
St. Joseph, MO 64506

Green Hills Animal Hospital
3111 N. Belt Hwy
St. Joseph, MO 64506

Twin Pines Veterinary Clinic
20994 State Rt. K
St. Joseph, MO 64505

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Rules & Etiquette

Use of the Corby Dog Park is not a right – it is a privilege. The Corby Dog Park strives to provide a fun environment for owners and their dogs. By using this park, users must understand that they assume all responsibility and liability for the risks of unleashing their dog(s) in this facility. The Corby Dog Park is not a supervised facility. Users therefore are required to abide by the rules and etiquette at all times while on the premises. The future of this facility and others like it depends on members behaving responsibly and obeying all the rules. Owners and their dogs are expected to behave with common courtesy and respect for the property as well as other park users. Owner socialization is a great added value to the experience, however the dog owner’s first priority is the proper supervision of his/her dog(s).

For the safety of all dogs and their human companions and for the enjoyment of all, please read and abide by the rules and etiquettes below. Failure to comply with any of the rules for the dog park will result in immediate termination of all use privileges related to the dog park (without any refund of annual fees paid). Additionally, any violation of the St. Joseph City Code of Ordinances may result in the violator(s) being summonsed to court.

RULES

The normal hours of operation are dawn to dusk 365 days a year. The park or portions thereof may be closed at times for maintenance or special events.

All member dogs must be currently vaccinated for Rabies and Distemper Parvo combo vaccine. Bordetella vaccine is highly recommended. Rabies tags must be worn and displayed by all dogs at all times.

The dog park is for members only. All dogs while in the park must wear in a visible manner their current City of St. Joseph City registration tag (if applicable) and the park membership tag supplied as part of the membership package.

All member dogs must be spayed or neutered.

Limit 2 dogs per owner/handler in the dog park.

Dogs, owners and users creating a disturbance or violating the rules **MUST** leave the Corby Dog Park if requested by City personnel or their designated agents.

Owner/handler Rules

Owners/handlers must be inside the fenced area of the dog park at all times while their dog(s) is in the off-leash area. Dogs are not to be left in the dog park unattended. Dogs must be under the handler’s visual contact and voice control at all times.

Children under age 8 are not allowed in the park. Children under 16 must be within direct adult supervision everywhere while on park property and are never to be further than 10 feet from an adult. Children must follow all rules and not be allowed to destroy any property, including pulling on, standing on, leaning on any fence, park equipment, or dog training equipment. No running, no chasing of dogs, no petting of other dogs unless permission is granted by the dog's owner.

Dog Leash and Collar Rules

Dogs must be leashed before entering and exiting the dog park. Always ensure that the gates are latched behind you. Let your dog(s) off the leash between the first and second gate, so that your dog(s) enters the park unleashed. Your dog(s) must be properly leashed before exiting the dog park.

No choke, pinch or spike collars allowed in the park area. Dogs must wear leather or smooth cloth collars and display the City registration (if applicable), park membership and rabies tags. This is a safety issue as dogs can be injured by such collars when playing.

When in the off-leash areas, dogs must be off their leash, except in the case when you must correct or evacuate the dog. Dog owners must ALWAYS have a leash on their person for each dog they bring to the park.

Note that only the fenced park is an off-leash area, not the parking lot or the area surrounding the park.

Cleaning Up after Your Dog

ALWAYS CLEAN UP your dog's waste. Trash receptacles and disposal bags are available for this purpose. Place all waste and trash in designated receptacles. This rule is for the off-leash areas as well as the on-leash areas surrounding the dog park. If your dog(s) is allowed to defecate in the dog park or surrounding area and you do not clean the waste you are in violation of the City Code of Ordinances Section 5-105, Removal of Dog Waste From Property, and may be issued a summons.

Small Dog Park Rules

Only dogs 18 inches or shorter at the shoulder are allowed in the small dog yard. Small dogs are welcome to use the general dog area at the park, but owners should be aware that it is possible for small dogs to be accidentally injured by larger dogs and small dogs are more likely to be seriously injured should even a minor altercation between dogs occur.

Aggressive Behavior and Fighting

If aggressive behavior is observed by or toward your dog, take immediate action: move your dog(s) to another area or leave the park.

Control and command your dog(s) while in the park and keep watch over your dog(s) while in the park to insure it is not exhibiting aggressive or antagonistic behavior such as barking, growling, staring, mounting, and bullying.

Under no circumstances should you ever grab a fighting dog by its collar or anywhere near the biting end of the dog. This action severely increases the risk of being bitten or attacked.

Not allowed in the Park.

- Children under 8 years of age.
- Smoking.
- No food, dog or human, allowed in the park except for small training treats.
- Glass containers, however plastic water bottles, soft drink containers and other liquid container are allowed.
- Alcohol.
- Dogs under four (4) months of age.
- Bikes, roller blades, scooters, and motorized devices.
- Vicious, dangerous or aggressive dogs.
- Dogs with communicable diseases.
- Animals other than dogs.
- Dogs that are sick and dogs with obvious external parasites or conditions (e.g. fleas, mange, etc.).
- Intact dogs.
- Excessive barking. If your dog is barking excessively, you will be asked to leave the park.
- Professional pet trainers may not use the park to conduct their business.
- Do not let your dog(s) dig holes. Fill in any holes made by your dog(s).

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PARK ETIQUETTE

All parties are encouraged to take responsibility for the dog park. Politely notify patrons if they are breaking the rules and regulations for the dog park. You are also encouraged to notify the City of any patrons or dogs that behave improperly, are aggressive or in any other way causing a disturbance. Should you have any complaints, concerns, or questions regarding the rules and regulations you may call (816)271-4877 or email to dogparkinquiries@ci.st-joseph.mo.us.

Please don't congregate with your dog(s) at the entryway and gates, so that everyone can enter and exit easily. Dogs feel more secure entering the facility when there is not a group of dogs waiting at the gate. This can lead to fewer confrontations.

You should never pet, feed or play with another member's dog without permission from that dog's owner.

Always clean up after your pet(s). If you notice pet waste from someone else's dog that was not cleaned up and you cannot find the responsible dog or owner, please take the additional effort to clean it up.

Due to the outside nature of the park, we strongly recommend flea and tick treatments at all times.

No bullies! Rough play is fine as long as it is consensual. Rough play and chasing are not acceptable if any of the dogs involved or owners are not comfortable with the situation.

Pursuant to City Code of Ordinances Section 5.93, dogs must remain leashed at all times when outside of the fenced dog park area.

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Owner and Dog Information Sheet

Please Print

_____ Name(s) of Owner	_____ Phone Number	_____ E mail Address
_____ Address (street)	_____ (City)	_____ State and zip code
_____ Veterinarian or Clinic Name	_____ Veterinarian or Clinic Location (City)	_____ Veterinarian Phone
_____ Other responsible individuals who may accompany the dog to the park (must be over 18 years of age)		

Dog #1		
_____ Dog's Name	_____ Dog's Breed	_____ Dog's Age
_____ Description of Dog	_____ License Number	_____ Dog's Weight
Spayed/Neutered Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Current Vaccinations* Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

Dog #2		
_____ Dog's Name	_____ Dog's Breed	_____ Dog's Age
_____ Description of Dog	_____ License Number	_____ Dog's Weight
Spayed/Neutered Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Current Vaccinations* Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

Dog #3		
_____ Dog's Name	_____ Dog's Breed	_____ Dog's Age
_____ Description of Dog	_____ License Number	_____ Dog's Weight
Spayed/Neutered Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Current Vaccinations* Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

Please attach a copy of vaccination records documenting current vaccinations for Rabies and Distemper Parvo combo vaccine and Bordetella (Kennel Cough) if applicable.

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ACCEPTANCE OF RISK & RELEASE OF LIABILITY WAIVER FORM

I, the undersigned, hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate and use, with and/or without my dog(s), the Corby Dog Park in St. Joseph, MO. I understand that the act of unleashing my dog(s) and being physically present inside the Corby Dog Park necessarily and absolutely involves risks of illness, injury and/or death to me, any individual accompanying me, other people, my dog(s) and other dogs, which risks are entirely my own responsibility. I expressly assume all these risks including but not limited to, risks resulting from aggressive dogs, unpredictable behavior and lack of proper training. I further understand and assume that despite the efforts of the City of St. Joseph, to ensure owners have complied, there is a risk that not all dogs present in the dog park are licensed and vaccinated for rabies as may be required, by which could result in injury to a person or a dog. Additional risks include, but are not limited to: dog fights; dog bites; theft or unlawful capture; escape over and under the fences; vegetation or standing water that may be unhealthy or poisonous if consumed; burrs or seeds that may become lodged in the dog's coat, feet, eyes, nose, or ears; mosquitoes; spiders; ticks; chiggers; fleas and other insects; and wildlife typically found in a park, such as foxes; deer; raccoons; opossums; muskrats; field mice; turtles, etc. It is further my understanding that usage of the dog park is self-directed and shall not be directly supervised by an agent or employee of the City of St. Joseph. Additionally, I accept and acknowledge that I assume any and all risks associated with the usage of the dog park, including fixtures and equipment, in an unsupervised and self-directed manner.

I understand that I am solely responsible for supervising my dog(s) and determining whether or not this is an appropriate activity for him/her (them). I hereby represent and warrant as follows: my dog(s) is spayed or neutered, licensed, and are current with the required vaccinations. By submitting this application and my dogs' medical information, I represent and warrant that the information is true and accurate for the dogs identified in this application. I understand that providing false information or breaching any of the conditions or rules may result in revocation of dog park privileges.

By signing this release of liability, I hereby fully and forever release, hold harmless and discharge the City of St. Joseph, its employees, volunteers, agents and assigns from any claims, demands, damages, rights of action or causes of action, present or future, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, resulting from or arising out of my use or intended use of Corby Off-Leash Dog Park. I fully and forever release and discharge the City of St. Joseph, its employees, volunteers, agents and assigns, from any and all negligent act and omissions in the same.

I attest that I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and I have carefully read this waiver and release of liability and understand and fully agree with its terms and intend to be legally bound by its

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contents. I have also received a copy of the brochure and materials outlining rules for membership and usage. I have read, understand and agree to abide by the following-outlined Rules and Etiquettes of the Corby Dog Park.

Do not sign if you do not understand or do not agree with its terms.

Print Name

Signature

Date