

Chester Avenue Dog Park RENEWAL APPLICATION

2009-2010 I've been a member since: _____

Member (human) name(s):

Member (dog) name(s):

Address:

Email address:

Phone number:

Area in which I will help over this next year:

(please check AT LEAST one, see accompanying letter for a description of each):

- Beautification (grounds/gardening) --- all skill levels welcome!
- Park Pleasant outreach
- Special Projects
- Administrative/Membership/Website
- Sunshine Committee

How do you see yourself helping during the upcoming year?

Please write down your dog(s) Philadelphia License Number & Rabies Vaccination Information below. **PLEASE PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION of rabies vaccination** (if this is not included we can not give you a key – this section is NOT optional)

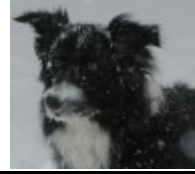
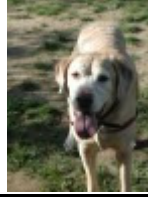
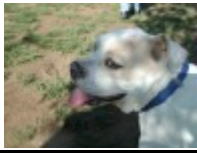
Philadelphia Dog License Number(s): _____

Expiration Date: _____ or Permanent License: Yes / No

Rabies Vaccination Date & Administering Vet (provide proof) _____

Expiration Date: _____





PLEASE REMEMBER:

You must read and follow the Rules & Regulations of the Chester Avenue Dog Park. Rules are posted in the bulletin board at the park and at www.chesteravenuedogpark.com. Here are some of the important ones:

DO NOT ALLOW YOUR DOG TO RUSH THE GATE. When others are coming in call your dog away (physically move your dog if you need to)...MANY fights start around this area.

If your dog is a persistent barker make an effort to stop it (THIS HAS BEEN A MAJOR PROBLEM RECENTLY) if you can't stop it maybe you need to come back at a quieter time. **DO NOT** let your dog run along the fence barking at people as they walk by.

Pick up after your dog. You need to pay attention to where your dog is and what he/she is doing. **NO DOG** may be left unattended – **NO EXCEPTIONS**.

Be considerate – if your dog digs a hole - fill it in; if your dog is nagging other dogs or humans – move to another place in the park; if your dog is chewing up toys – take them away; if you take out a chuck-it – put it back before you leave.

The park hours are posted on the gate. Please pay attention to them – one of the main complaints from our dog park neighbors are that people come in before the park is officially open.

WE ARE CONDUCTING A DOG PARK USAGE CENSUS. PLEASE INDICATE THE DAYS OF THE WEEK AND THE TIME(S) THAT YOU ARE MOST LIKELY TO BE AT THE PARK:

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7-9 A.M. 9-11 A.M. 11-1 P.M. 1-3 P.M. 3-5 P.M. 5-7 P.M. 7-9 P.M.

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By signing below I agree that I have read and am familiar with the Rules & Regulations of the Chester Avenue Dog Park (rules are also posted in the bulletin board and on www.chesteravenuedogpark.com). I understand that if I do not follow the rules my membership may be suspended and/or revoked.

Member signature(s)

ALL family members must sign (if you have a dog walker or dog sitter who brings your dog to the park he/she must also sign – NO EXCEPTIONS)

For Administrative Use Only

Renewal Application completed & reviewed: Yes No Accepted and reviewed by _____

Rabies vaccination records enclosed? Yes No (if no then renewal is incomplete)

PAYMENT Cash Check (check # ____)

RECD KEY? Yes No RECD TAG? Yes No

Waiver and Release of Liability and Indemnification

In consideration of being granted access to the Chester Avenue Dog Park (Dog Park), located on real property at 48th Street and Chester Avenue (Real Property) owned by Park Pleasant, Inc. (Park Pleasant), I hereby waive, remise, release and forever discharge Dog Park and Park Pleasant and the respective parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, associates, principals, directors, officers, members, employees, attorneys, and agents of each of the Dog Park and Park Pleasant, and the successors and assigns of each of them, from any and all liabilities, actions, suits, debts, judgments, claims and demands whatsoever in law and in equity arising out of or connected to any entry on or to, or presence on, or use of, said Real Property, including but not limited to, any and all liabilities, actions, suits, debts, judgments, claims and demands related to injury to my person, my personal property or any animals owned by me or under my control, or anyone as a result of my action or inaction, whether caused by negligence or otherwise, which I ever had, now have, or may have at any time in the future.

In addition, I agree to indemnify and defend Dog Park and Park Pleasant and their respective parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, associates, principals, directors, officers, members, employees, attorneys and agents of each of the Dog Park and Park Pleasant, and the successors and assigns of each from any and all liabilities, actions, suits, debts, judgments, claims and demands whatsoever in law and in equity arising out of or connected to my entry on, to or presence on, or use of, said Real Property, or the entry on, to, or presence of anyone else thereon as a result of my action or inaction, including but not limited to, any and all liabilities, actions, suits, debts, judgments, claims, demands, attorneys' fees, costs and expenses that any of the foregoing may sustain in any way related to, arising out of or in any way connected to my entry on, to or presence on, or use of, said Real Property.

This Waiver and Release of Liability and Indemnification may not be modified except by a writing signed by me, the Dog Park, and Park Pleasant. I understand that this waiver is binding on my heirs and assigns. My signature certifies that I have read and fully understand this Waiver and Release of Liability and Indemnification.

EVERYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD WHO WILL USE THE PARK MUST SIGN!
(this includes dog walkers/pet sitters/etc.)

Signature _____

Print Name _____ Date _____

Signature _____

Print Name _____ Date _____

Notice to Minors

If you are under eighteen (18) years of age, your parent or legal guardian must sign:

I, being the parent or legal guardian of the above-signed, who is under the age of eighteen (18), do hereby consent that the above-signed may enter on to the real property owned by Park Pleasant and do hereby certify that I have read, fully understand and adopt entirely the above recited "Waiver and Release of Liability".

Signature _____

Print Name _____ Date _____

Chester Avenue Dog Park Rules

MEMBERS KEEP THESE PAGES FOR YOUR RECORDS

General Rules

- 🔑 Use of the park is at your own risk. You are responsible for your own safety and that of your dog and anyone you allow to enter the Park who is not a member (this includes dog walkers/pet sitters). Do not give your key to anyone who is not a member. This rule is for the safety of members and their dogs.
- 🔑 All rules and posted Dog Park signs are important; please adhere to the rules, including the Dog Park hours of operation.
- 🔑 Show respect for the neighbors and surrounding properties as you access and use the Dog Park. **Excessive dog barking is the most common complaint we have received.**
- 🔑 The Dog Park has promised Park Pleasant and the neighbors that we will pick up the trash outside the park on Chester Ave and 48th Street. Do your part. If you see some trash, pick it up.
- 🔑 Each of us is responsible for the success of the Dog Park. If you see another member who is not following the Rules, it is your responsibility to remind the member.
- 🔑 It's always best for people whose dogs have had issues with each other to try to work out the issue amongst themselves first. If an agreement can not be reached between the two parties **and everyone has put in a good faith effort to resolve the situation**, then it's reasonable to contact the Sunshine Committee (dogparksunshine@gmail.com) who will arrange a sit down with the two parties to reach a reasonable compromise/resolution.

Using the Dog Park

- 🔑 Walk your dog to the Park whenever possible. Per the city ordinance, your dog must be on leash in public areas. Bring your dog to the gate on leash, and keep your dog on leash until you have closed the outer gate to the Park and your dog is between the double gates of the dog park.
- 🔑 Secure the outer gate upon entering. *NEVER* open the interior gate until the outer gate is secured. **Do not allow your dog to rush or crowd the gate. If a dog is coming in, call your dog away OR physically move your dog away from the gate.** This is an especially-volatile area and many fights can be prevented by adhering to this rule.
- 🔑 Clean up after your dog immediately. Plastic bags for cleanup purposes are available in metal bins located in two locations in the Park. Bring bags to replenish the supply. If you see poop in the Park that has been overlooked, clean it up!
- 🔑 All dogs must wear a collar or harness at all times while in the Park. If you use a self-restraining (prong or pinch) collar on your dog, you must remove it and replace it with another collar (buckled collars are strongly recommended rather than choke collars) upon entering the Park to avoid injury to your or other dogs during play.
- 🔑 Close both gates carefully upon exiting, and check that the outer gate is locked before you walk away.

Dog Behavior in the Park

- 🔪 **Never leave your dog unattended.** All dogs must be supervised and within your view at all times. Remember, the park is for the dogs- socializing is fine as long as it doesn't interfere with you interacting with and keeping a watchful eye on your dog.
- 🔪 We recommend you call your dog to you from time to time and interact with him/her to maintain control. We also recommend that you get up and move around while you're at the park, this will minimize a dog becoming territorial about a place that you may be sitting.
- 🔪 If your dog behaves aggressively toward a human being in the Park, you must remove your dog.
- 🔪 If your dog behaves aggressively toward another dog, both dogs cannot remain in the Park at that time. If the other owner is not ready to leave, the owner of the aggressor **must** leave the park and return at another time.
- 🔪 **If your dog barks repeatedly while in the Park, and you are unable to quiet it, you must leave the park and return at another time.** (We have received countless complaints about barking lately!). If the barking is "encouraged" by individuals outside the Park, please ask them to move away.
- 🔪 Cats that are the neighbors' pets are sometimes in the Park. If you see a cat, leash or hold your dog. Do not allow your dog to chase cats in the Park.

Human Behavior in the Dog Park

- 🔪 A member may not bring more than 3 dogs to the Park at one time.
- 🔪 You must be at least 16 years of age to be in the Park without supervision, whether with or without your family's dog.
- 🔪 Visitors are permitted in the Dog Park only if accompanied by a Dog Club member who assumes all responsibility for the visitor. No "visiting" dogs are allowed.
- 🔪 ONLY dog walkers & pet sitters who have signed the waiver are permitted to bring DOG PARK MEMBER dogs into the park. No other dogs are allowed. Owners, please ensure that your dog walker knows the rules of the park AND knows if your dog has issues with other specific dogs – you are responsible for your dog's behavior, please make sure your walker has the info he/she needs to do his/her job BEFORE coming into the park.
- 🔪 If you smoke, provide your own ashtray/cigarette disposal container. No cigarette butts are to be left in the park.
- 🔪 If you groom your dog in the Park, place discarded hair in the trash cans.
- 🔪 Please limit loud conversation/laughing, which, like barking, could disturb neighbors. Try not raise your voice unless necessary to control your dog.

- 🔪 Toys and water bowls provided by the Membership of the Park for general use should be left in the Park so that others may enjoy them. Do not bring toys to the park if your dog is going to get possessive/aggressive about them. Do not leave toys in the Park unless you intend to donate them to the Park. Please place toys in the bins when you're finished using them.

Emergencies

- 🔪 In case of a medical emergency, emergency telephone numbers are posted in the Park. Park Pleasant Nursing Home will allow Dog Club members access to their telephones if it is necessary to call for emergency (police, fire, emergency medical) assistance. If more than one member is present at the time of the emergency, one person should call while others remain in the Park to supervise the dogs.
- 🔪 Members with cell phones are encouraged to carry them in the Park, particularly if they expect to be alone with their dogs.

The following are not allowed in the Dog Park:

- 🔪 **Dogs that have a known history of aggression.** (Please note that “rough play” differs from “aggression” and is acceptable between dogs of similar size *and* inclination.)
- 🔪 **Dogs that are in season (female dogs “in heat”).** (This is for the sake of safety, as many dogs, male and female, unneutered or neutered, can become extremely aggressive in the presence of a female in season.)
- 🔪 **Dogs less than four months old.** (Puppies under the age of 4 months usually cannot be fully vaccinated, and are both susceptible to and potential carriers of disease.)
- 🔪 **Dogs with a diagnosed communicable disease or condition that can be transmitted to other dogs by contact or by dog waste.** (If your dog has a positive fecal examination, please keep out of the Park until a negative examination has been obtained. It would also be courteous to inform other Dog Club members of the possibility of contagion.)
- 🔪 **Dogs *over six months of age* that do not have current a Philadelphia dog license and rabies vaccination.** (See membership agreement.)
{Please note that rabies vaccinations are not usually recommended for dogs under the age of 6 months, and a license cannot be obtained without a rabies vaccination.}
- 🔪 **Dogs whose owners are not members of the Dog Club.**