If all dog owners act responsibly—follow rules, carry removal bags and pick up after your dogs—these parks and beaches can remain open to dogs.

Agency contacts are included so that you can check on the most up-to-date information.

Dog access rights may be revoked at any time by these government agencies for non-compliance with the rules.



For more information on Santa Cruz State Parks, go to ***www.santacruzstateparks.org***

For more information on Santa Cruz County Parks, go to ***www.scparks.com***

For more information on Santa Cruz City Parks, go to ***www.cityofsantacruz.com***

Thank you for being a responsible dog owner and for following the rules and regulations in our parks.



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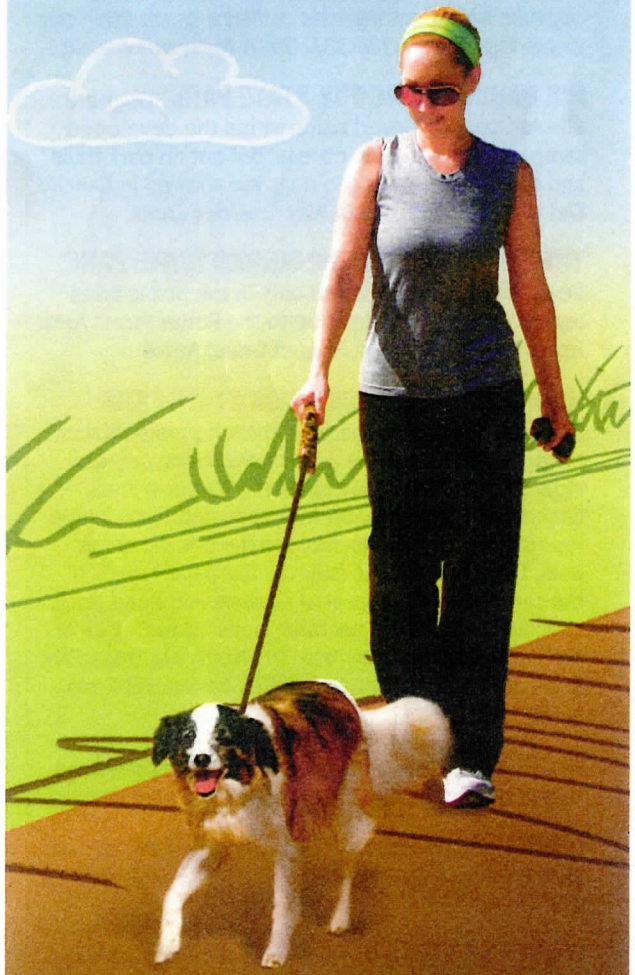
Where Can I Take MY DOG?



A Guide to On-Leash and Off-Leash Dog Recreational Areas in Santa Cruz County

DOGS ALLOWED ON LEASH

You may bring your leashed dog to the following Santa Cruz area parks within picnic/campground areas and beaches. Each dog must be on a six-foot-maximum leash at all times and cannot be left unattended. Many parks do not have specific street addresses or have more than one entrance. Call (831) 335-6318 for more details.

BIG BASIN REDWOODS STATE PARK: Dogs are allowed only on paved roads within the developed campgrounds and picnic areas, but not on park trails and dirt service roads. No dogs are allowed in Rancho Del Oso. 21600 Big Basin Way, Boulder Creek

THE FOREST OF NISENE MARKS STATE PARK: Leashed dogs are allowed only in the picnic areas and on Aptos Creek Road up to the Porter Picnic Area. Aptos Creek Road past Soquel Drive, Aptos

HENRY COWELL REDWOODS STATE PARK: Dogs are allowed on the park entrance road adjacent to Highway 9 and in the picnic area on the day-use side. They are also allowed on the Meadow Trail, Graham Hill Trail, Powder Mill Road and the 3.3-mile Pipeline Road that runs through the middle of the park. Dogs and owners may use the paved roads in the campground adjacent to Graham Hill Road. Dogs may not be taken on any other trails, including all of the Fall Creek unit. Day Use: 101 North Big Trees Park Road, Felton. Campground: 2591 Graham Hill Road, Scotts Valley

ITS BEACH: Dogs are allowed on the first beach up coast from the lighthouse on West Cliff Drive.

LIGHTHOUSE FIELD INTERIOR: Leashed dogs are allowed across the street from the lighthouse on West Cliff Drive.

MANRESA STATE BEACH: Take the San Andreas Road exit off Highway 1 and follow San Andreas Road to the beach.

NEW BRIGHTON STATE BEACH: In Capitola, take the Park Avenue exit off Highway 1. Turn left on McGregor and right into the park.

PALM BEACH: Leashed dogs are allowed only on the beach between the Pajaro Dunes condos and the Pajaro Dunes houses, but not up coast or down coast from the residences. Go past Manresa State Beach on San Andreas Road and continue past Sunset State Beach. Turn right on Beach Road toward the ocean.

SEABRIGHT BEACH: Dogs are allowed on the north side of the yacht harbor in Santa Cruz.

SEACLIFF AND RIO DEL MAR BEACHES: In Aptos, take the State Park Drive exit off Highway 1.

TWIN LAKES STATE BEACH: Dogs are allowed on the east side of the yacht harbor at 7th Avenue in Santa Cruz.

Dogs are allowed on leash in the following city parks. Call (831) 420-6207 for more city park information.

POGONIP CITY PARK: Dogs are allowed only on designated trails. 333 Golf Club Dr., below UC Santa Cruz

For Santa Cruz County park information, call (831) 454-7901 or visit ***www.scparks.com****.*

DOGS ALLOWED OFF LEASH

Unleashed dogs are allowed only from sunrise to sunset in clearly marked areas—unless otherwise noted—in the city and county parks listed below. Each dog must be under voice control at all times.

CITY OF SCOTTS VALLEY SKY PARK DOG PARK: 361 Kings Village Road, Scotts Valley (831) 438-3251

DELAVEAGA PARK: Dogs are allowed on the service road into lower DeLaveaga Park. Take Market Street past Gruenwald Court.

FREDERICK STREET PARK: 168 Frederick Street

GRANT STREET PARK: 180 Grant Street

MITCHELL'S COVE BEACH: Dogs are allowed off leash before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m. The beach is located at intersection of West Cliff Drive and Almar.

OCEAN VIEW PARK: 102 Ocean View Avenue

PACHECO DOG OFF-LEASH AREA: Pacheco Avenue and Prospect Heights

PINTO LAKE COUNTY PARK: The dog park is located at 757 Green Valley Road in Watsonville.

POLO GROUNDS COUNTY PARK: The dog park is located at 2255 Huntington Drive in Aptos.

UNIVERSITY TERRACE PARK: Dogs are allowed at the second entrance at Nobel Drive and Meder Street.

DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED

at the following places:

CAPITOLA CITY BEACH
COWELL BEACH
FALL CREEK
LAUREL PARK
MAIN BEACH
NATURAL BRIDGES STATE BEACH
NORTH COAST BEACHES
(Three and Four Mile Beaches, Laguna Beach, Panther Beach, Bonny Doon Beach)
QUAIL HOLLOW RANCH
RANCHO DEL OSO
SANTA CRUZ MUNICIPAL WHARF
SAN LORENZO RIVER
SAN LORENZO CITY PARK
SCOTT CREEK BEACH
SUNSET STATE BEACH
UC SANTA CRUZ CAMPUS
WILDER RANCH STATE PARK