

Where Can I Walk My Dog in Marin County?



THE RULES:

Carry a leash at all times. A controlled dog responds (positively) to his guardian's commands. If your dog will not come when called, keep him on a leash and keep training. **Always** clean up after your dog. Dogs are NOT welcome in many areas because owners have not controlled their dogs in a responsible manner!

A controlled dog DOES NOT harass...

- Wildlife, including birds in marshes, on beaches, or in the woods
 - Livestock, sheep, cattle or poultry
 - Hikers, bikers or horses on trails
 - Other dogs or domestic animals

BE PREPARED!

- Make sure the dog is wearing current ID and license tags. All vaccinations – rabies, distemper and heartworm – should be up to date.
- Bring **WATER** for your dog. You cannot count on water being available in parks or on trails.
- A 6-foot leash is required in many areas. If you use a longer leash, be prepared to shorten it to control your dog as a courtesy to other users.
- Check your dog thoroughly all over after the outing to remove ticks, foxtails and burrs.
- **DO NOT** leave your dog in the car! Even in the shade, with the windows open, the temperature rises very quickly.

CITY REGULATIONS

Town	Around Town	Parks & Paths	Additional Information
Belvedere	County ordinance*	County ordinance*	
Corte Madera	Leash law**	On paths only	No animals allowed in any park
Fairfax	Leash law**	On leash	
Greenbrae	County ordinance*	On leash	Bon Air path on leash
Kentfield	County ordinance*	On leash	County of Marin area paths on leash
Larkspur	Leash law**	On leash	Canine Commons Dog Park at Piper Park
Mill Valley	Leash law**	On leash	Bay Front Dog Park
Novato	County ordinance*	County ordinance*	DOGBONE Dog Park at O'Hair Park
Ross	None	On leash	
San Anselmo	County ordinance*	On leash	No Dogs/Central Park, Red Hill Park – off leash ok
San Rafael	Leash law**	On leash	Field of Dogs Dog Park – Civic Center; McDog Dog Park – McInnis Park
Sausalito	Leash law**	On leash	Remington Dog Park
Tiburon	Leash law**	On leash	Bike path on leash

* County ordinance – Dog must be under the control of a responsible person at all times. Dogs are not to run at large on public streets, parks, and school grounds or on private property without owner's permission.

** Leash law – Dogs must be on a leash if off owner's property. Owners not in compliance may be cited.

MARIN COUNTY DOG PARKS

Canine Commons at Piper Park, Larkspur
 Remington Park, Sausalito
 DOGBONE Meadows at O’Hair Park, Novato
 Field of Dogs at Civic Center Drive, San Rafael
 McDog at McInnis Park, San Rafael
 BayFront Dog Park, Mill Valley
 Red Hill Park, San Anselmo
 Marin Humane Society Dog Parks, Novato – limited hours

MARIN COUNTY PARKS

Deer Park, Fairfax	Dogs allowed on leash
Stafford Lake, Novato	No dogs allowed
Civic Center Lagoon, San Rafael	Dogs allowed on leash
McNears Beach, San Rafael	No dogs allowed
McInnis Park, San Rafael	Dogs allowed on leash or immediate verbal control
Paradise Park, Tiburon	No dogs allowed
Upton Beach, Stinson Beach	Dogs allowed on leash or immediate verbal control

CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS

Angel Island State Park	No dogs allowed – designated environmental area
China Camp	Dogs allowed only on Village Beach (6 ft leash required)
Mt. Tamalpais State Park	Dogs allowed on paved roads. (6 ft leash required)
Olompali State Park	Dogs allowed on paved roads. (6 ft leash required)
Samuel P. Taylor Park	Dogs allowed on paved roads. (6 ft leash required)
Steep Ravine	No dogs allowed – designated environmental area
Tomales State Park	Dogs allowed on paved roads. (6 ft leash required)

MARIN COUNTY OPEN SPACE DISTRICT (MCOSD)

Public lands purchased with tax dollars and maintained as open space by the MCOSD. Most of these areas are open to people with dogs. Dogs are allowed on leash. Dogs are allowed off-leash on fire protection roads only when under the direct and immediate control of a responsible person. Watch for posted signs. (415) 499-6387

MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT (MMWD)

A vast area (18,500 acres) on the north side of Mt. Tamalpais is watershed land to feed our reservoirs. There are miles of beautiful trails open to the public. Dogs are allowed on leash. Dogs are NOT permitted to swim or play in the reservoirs. (415) 459-0888

GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA (GGNRA)

Abbotts Lagoon	No dogs allowed
Drakes Beach	No dogs allowed
Kehoe Beach	Dogs allowed on leash
Limintour Beach	Dogs allowed on leash on south end of beach
Muir Woods, National Monument	No dogs allowed
Palomarin Beach	No dogs allowed
Pt. Reyes National Seashore	No dogs on trails, watch for signs
Stinson Beach	No dogs allowed
Stinson Beach, fronting homes North of public beach	Dogs allowed, leash or voice control

MARIN HEADLANDS

Ask for a PET TRAIL MAP at Visitors Center

Coastal Trail	Dogs allowed on leash
Miwok Trail	Dogs allowed on leash
Muir Beach	Dogs allowed on leash
Coastal Trail, southern section	Dogs allowed, leash or voice control
Miwok Trail, southern section	Dogs allowed, leash or voice control
Rodeo Beach	Dogs allowed, leash or voice control
Wolf Ridge Trail	Dogs allowed, leash or voice control

Always be aware of local dog control signs. Owners not in compliance with these regulations may be cited. For more information about Parks and Open Space, please view Marin County’s Web Site at www.marin.org.