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Dog off Lead Order

Order Made Pursuant to the:

- **Domestic Animals Act 1994** section 26(2)
- Passed by Council Resolution 27 June 2016

In accordance with the **Domestic Animals Act 1994**, from 27 June 2016 in all public places within the City of Wyndham all dogs must be restrained by means of chain, cord or leash sufficient to control and restrain the dog except in the following areas in the City of Wyndham which are designated as Off Lead Areas where dogs may be off lead provided that the conditions of use in this order are complied with:

Werribee

- Easement South Ring Road between Maltby Bypass and Duncan's Road
- Rear of the Civic Centre
- D1 Drain reserve from Heaths Road to Black Forest Road
- Reserve between Diversion Weir and Redgum Close
- Northern side of Geelong Road between Westleigh drive and Westleigh drive

Wyndham Vale

- Presidents Park from the dog obedience building east to the riverbank and north to the parks boundary
- Enclosed off lead park east of the dog obedience building

Hoppers Crossing

- Drainage reserve from Eastern side of Mossfiel Drive to Callander Crescent / from the southern boundary of the park to Pannam Drive
- Southern side of Pannam Drive to Morris Road except from 8–9.30am and 2.30pm–4.00pm Monday to Friday
- Eastern side of Morris Road to Western side of Bellbridge Drive
- Stephen Court walkway north along skeleton creek track to Golden Ash Grove
- Cambridge reserve between Heaths Road and terminating at the rear of Sutton Close except from 8–9.30am and 3–4.30pm Monday to Friday
- D1 Drainage reserve between Derrimut Road and Willmott Drive except from 8–9.30am and 3–4.30pm Monday to Friday

Werribee South

• Campbell's Cove Beach foreshore from the eastern edge of the car park at the end of the boat sheds to the boundary fence of the Point Cook RAAF base.

Point Cook

• Enclosed off lead park at the rear of the Point Cook Road reserve, Saltwater Promenade, Point Cook Road.

Truganina

• Purpose built enclosed dog park on the corner Forsyth Road and Perennial Drive

Laverton North

• Lawrie Emmins Reserve immediately adjacent to the Archery Range bounded by the southern tree line west to the vehicle track.

SPECIAL

Transitional Period:

For a period of three (3) months commencing from 28 June 2016, existing 'Off Lead' Areas in the City of Wyndham may continue to be used as 'Off Lead' Areas, provided that the conditions of use in the Order are complied with. At the end of the period (30 September 2016), only the 'Off Lead' Areas identified in the Order and signed as 'Off Lead' Areas may continue to be used as 'Off Lead' Areas for dogs.

Conditions of Use

For the purposes of these conditions of use and the enforcement of them, the person who is with the dog at an 'Off Lead Area' is referred as 'the handler'.

The handler of a dog using an 'Off Lead Area' must comply with the following conditions of use at all times:

- (1) The dog must be and remain 'on lead':
 - (a) until both the handler and the dog have physically entered the 'Off Lead Area'; and
 - (b) Prior to the handler and the dog exiting the 'Off Lead Area'.
- (2) The handler must have a dog lead in their possession at all times when in the 'Off Lead Areas'. The lead must be a chain, cord or leash and capable of restraining the dog.
- (3) The dog's current registration tag must be on the dog's collar whether the collar is on the dog or attached to the lead in the handler's possession.
- (4) When the dog is allowed 'Off Lead', it must remain in both visual and audible range of the handler at all times so that the dog can be effectively recalled to the handler when required.
- (5) When another person or another dog is approaching, the handler must recall their dog and effectively restrain it until the other person or other dog have moved on to a safe distance. When in a purpose built dog off lead enclosure, the handler must recall their dog when another person is entering or exiting that enclosure to avoid any unwanted confrontation or the escape of dogs currently using the area.
- (6) At no time must the handler allow the dog to enter any waterways that may be within the 'Off Lead Area'.
- (7) The handler must ensure that the dog does not attack, chase or interfere with any wildlife in the 'Off Lead Area'.
- (8) The handler must not allow any dog under their control to be 'Off Lead' if it is known to be:
 - Dog aggressive;
 - Person aggressive;
 - Un-socialised with other dogs or animals; and
 - Attracted to objects in motion such as bicycle tyres;
 - In Season;
 - Has been declared to be Menacing/Dangerous/Restricted Breed.
- (9) Clause 109 of Community Amenity Local Law (2015) requires that a person (the handler) must not allow excrement of an animal under his or her care or control to remain on a road or Council land. The handler who is in charge or control of an animal on a road or Council land must have in his or her possession a bag or other receptacle for the purpose of removing from the road or Council land any excrement from that animal deposited on the road or Council land. The penalties for non-compliance under Community Amenity Local Law (2015) apply if this condition is breached.
- (10) All other areas declared to be 'Off Lead Areas' and signed as such may be used at any time. NOTIFICATION

The resolution for the making of this Order was agreed to by Wyndham City Council on 27 June 2016.

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