



NEW ALBANY DOG PARK MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

REQUIREMENTS:

1. All portions of this application must be completed.
2. A copy of your dog's current vaccination for rabies must be attached to the application. Distemper, parvo, Bordetella (kennel cough), leptospirosis, and canine influenza vaccinations are strongly recommended, as is flea and heartworm preventative medication.
3. A copy of your dog's license certificate (not the same as rabies certificate), from your community or the City of New Albany, or NAFC Animal Shelter, must be attached to the application.
4. Read all the rules of the dog park and sign the terms and conditions of membership statement attached.

PROCESS FOR MEMBERSHIP: *(Please print legibly and complete the entire application.)*

Bring your completed application, with attached copies of vaccination records and license certificate, to New Albany Parks and Recreation main office or NAFC Animal Shelter along with cash or credit/debit card to pay your membership fee to receive your electronic key fob or an app for your mobile device that opens the dog park gates and membership tag(s) for your dog(s).

Name(s) of Owner(s): _____ Owner(s) DOB: _____ Member last year? _____

Address: _____ City, State & Zip: _____

Phone: (required) _____ Email: (required) _____

	Name	Breed/Color/Markings/Coat Type	Weight	Age	License #	Cost
Dog #1						\$15.00
Dog #2						\$10.00
Dog #3						\$10.00
Dog #4						\$5.00
Dog #5						\$5.00
Dog #6						\$5.00
Total number of dogs:					Total Cost: \$	

For an additional key fob or any replacement membership tags, please visit New Albany Parks and Recreation main office located at 2043 Silver Street, New Albany, IN.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

KEY FOB SERIAL # OR APP CHOSEN (CHOOSE 1 ONLY) _____ DATE OF PURCHASE _____

Membership Tag # _____ (Dog #1) Membership Tag # _____ (Dog #2)

Membership Tag # _____ (Dog #3) Membership Tag # _____ (Dog #4)

Membership Tag # _____ (Dog #5) Membership Tag # _____ (Dog #6)

Please note: Membership must be approved and granted on an annual calendar year basis.

New Albany Dog Park - Membership Rules and Etiquette

You and your dog(s) are expected to behave with common courtesy and respect for the property as well as for other park users. This is not a supervised facility. By using this dog park, you and anyone who accompanies you enter at your own risk and assume all responsibility and liability for the risks of unleashing your dog(s) in this facility. *We realize that owner socialization is a great added value to the experience, but please remember that the dog owner's first priority is the proper supervision of his/her dog.* You are required to abide by the rules and etiquette at all times while on the premises as described below:

- The New Albany Dog Park is **open daily** from **dawn to dusk** for the convenience of our members. The Parks Department does, however, reserve the right to close the dog park at our discretion. On occasion, according to terrain needs, parts of the dog park may be closed to limit damage. **Please pay attention to posted changes and capacity levels.**
- **Entry into the dog park is at the risk of the dog owners or handlers.** Dog owners or handlers are responsible and liable for any damage to property, persons, or other animals caused by their dog(s). If your dog injures another dog, you are **required** to assist any way needed, and to provide your name and contact information to the owner of the injured dog. Failure to do so will result in termination of membership.
- **Dog owners or handlers shall not have more than 2 dogs in the park at one time. Dog handlers must be 18 years of age or older.** Additional dogs can be in the park as long as an additional adult handler supervises. All dogs shall be accompanied and supervised by an adult owner or handler with a leash readily available at all times. Dog owners or handlers are to remove their dog(s) **immediately** if any sign of aggressive behavior is shown.
- **Children under the age of 13 are not allowed in the dog park.** Children between the ages of 13 and 17 must be accompanied by an adult.
- **All dogs must remain on leash until they are inside the dog park.** The official dog park tag must be displayed on the dog(s) at all times or the dog is not to enter the park.
- Choke, pinch, studded and chain collars, as well as gentle leaders, must be removed upon entering the dog park; however, some type of collar must remain on the dog at all times, with the New Albany Dog Park, rabies, and license tags affixed.
- **Please help to keep our dog park clean for all members to enjoy. Kindly place all litter into the provided trash receptacles.** All owners or handlers must pick up any waste and messes left by their dog(s) to ensure cleanliness and to avoid potential health risks. (DogiPot stations are located throughout the park, so please use them.) Failure to do so may result in the loss of park privileges. Dog owners and handlers are responsible for filling any and all holes dug by their pets.
- **All dogs must have a current rabies vaccination.** Distemper, parvo, Bordetella (kennel cough), leptospirosis, and canine influenza are not required but are strongly recommended, as is flea and heartworm preventative medication. Rabies vaccinations **are required by state law**, but the infectious disease vaccinations are critical in protecting your dog from disease. Follow your veterinarian's recommendation for vaccinations. Failure to do so is at your own risk.
- **All dogs must be licensed through the county/community in which they live, or if the county/community of residence does not require one, then a City of New Albany dog license is required.** The license tag must be worn on the collar at all times.
- A current rabies tag, license tag and New Albany Dog Park tag must be worn and displayed by all dogs at all times.
- **Do not bring a dog into the dark park if . . .**
 - the animal is ill with a viral infection, a bacterial infection, a parasitic infection (worms, fleas, ticks) or with an open wound(s)
 - a female dog(s) in heat
 - a dog is under the age of 6 months, as they usually do not have fully developed immune systems and have not completed a full program of vaccinations
- **Dogs are the only type of animals allowed in the dog park and fenced play areas.** The small dog area is limited to dogs weighing less than 30 pounds. No large dogs are allowed in the small dog area. If small dog owners are comfortable letting their small dog(s) play in the main area, then they may do so.
- **Food (both human and canine) is strictly prohibited in the dog park (includes rawhide chews and bones).** Small treats, toys, and Frisbees are permitted, but may result in aggressive behavior, so use should be closely monitored. Water dishes are permitted, but are subject to removal if left behind.
- **Alcohol, tobacco products and glass containers are strictly prohibited inside the dog park.**
- **Dogs, owners and park users creating a disturbance or violating posted rules must immediately leave the dog park** if requested by New Albany Dog Park officials, law enforcement personnel, park personnel, or their designated agent. People refusing to do so will be considered trespassing and police will be called to remove the trespasser. Persistent violation of any dog park rules can result in revocation of park privileges.
- **To insure the safety of all dogs, please make certain to properly close all gates when entering and exiting the dog park and fenced play areas.**
- Memberships may be purchased at New Albany Parks and Recreation main office and the NAFC Animal Shelter.
- All changes to your New Albany Dog Park membership, such as adding an additional dog, replacing a lost key fob or a membership tag, etc., must be handled as follows:
 - email the New Albany Dog Park officials for authorization
 - once authorization is obtained it will be necessary to visit the New Albany Parks and Recreation main office at 2043 Silver Street in New Albany

If you have any questions or concerns about these rules, please contact the New Albany Parks and Recreation Department at 812-949-5448 or via email to parks@cityofnewalbany.com.

I attest that I am 18 years of age, and that I have read, understand and agree to abide by the above rules.

Owner/Handler Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Acceptance of the terms and conditions of this release and adherence to New Albany Dog Park Rules are conditions of membership approval, retention, and renewal. Memberships may be revoked for noncompliance.

- I, the undersigned, hereby acknowledge that I have read the dog park rules, and that I voluntarily have applied to participate and use, with my dog(s), the dog park operated by New Albany Parks and Recreation in association with NAFC Animal Shelter. I further agree to abide by all rules and regulations pertaining to the dog park as may be designated by the City of New Albany, New Albany Parks and Recreation, and NAFC Animal Shelter.
- I understand that the acts of unleashing my dog(s) or being physically present inside the dog park necessarily and absolutely involves risks of illness, injury, and/or death to me, other people, my dog(s), and other dogs, including but not limited to, risks resulting from aggressive or dangerous dogs, unpredictable behavior, lack of training, and lack of vaccination, which risks are entirely my own responsibility.
- I understand that no agent or employee of the City of New Albany, New Albany Parks and Recreation, or NAFC Animal Shelter, will supervise the dog park at any time.
- I HEREBY RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS, AGREE NOT TO SUE and WAVE any claims, demands, losses, damages, liabilities, fines, charges, penalties, administrative and judicial proceedings and orders, judgements and all costs and expenses of any kind whatsoever, incurred therewith, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs of defense against the City of New Albany, New Albany Parks and Recreation, and NAFC Animal Shelter and/or their respective agents, officers, and employees for any and all injury, death, illness, damage, or loss of property or person, sustained directly or proximately caused by any negligence of the aforementioned entities in the use or maintenance of the premises at the dog park. I further understand and agree that none of these entities is liable for any loss, damage, or injury of any kind sustained by any human or dog while using the dog park.
- I therefore expressly assume all risks associated with using the dog park, as well as any fixture or equipment located therein. I expressly assume all risks and responsibility for the action(s) of my dog(s) and myself.
- I affirmatively state that there is no medical reason why I and/or my dog(s) should not participate in using the New Albany Dog Park. I understand that dogs, irrespective of their training and usual past behaviors or characteristics, may act or react unpredictably at times based upon instinct or circumstances, and I agree to assume the risk of injury to me, any individual accompanying me in the New Albany Dog Park and my dog(s). I understand that this risk may result from fierce, aggressive, vicious and dangerous dogs, which may be present in the dog park. I further understand and assume the risk that not all dogs present in the dog park may have received the rabies vaccine as required by law, and that not all dogs using the dog park may be vaccinated for distemper, parvo, Bordetella (kennel cough), leptospirosis, and canine influenza, all of which could result in injury, illness and/or death to me and my dog(s). I understand that I am exposing myself, my dog and my personal property to all manner of injury and/or loss, including death, due to the possibility of the following: dog fights, dog bites, and injuries to humans and other dogs; dog theft or unlawful capture; dog escape through an open gate or over or under fences; chemicals, plants and/or open water sources in the dog park which may be poisonous to dogs; park vegetation, which may have burrs or seeds that could get tangled in or scratch a dog's coat or lodge in a dog's feet, ears and/or eyes; bites and infestations by mosquitoes, ticks, chiggers, fleas or other insects that may be present; injury or infection by wild animals that may be present in the park, including but not limited to skunks, opossum, raccoons, snakes, lizards, frogs, badgers, moles, squirrels, stray dogs and/or stray cats.
- By signing this release of liability and using the dog park, I hereby fully and forever release and discharge the City of New Albany, New Albany Parks and Recreation, and NAFC Animal Shelter, their employees and agents, from any and all claims, demands, damages, or causes of action present or future, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, resulting from or arising out of my intended use of the dog park premises, facilities, or equipment.
- I have carefully read and I understand this release of liability, agree with and accept its terms and conditions.
- I have received a copy of the materials outlining rules for membership and usage of the dog park, and I agree to review the rules prior to my first visit to the dog park and abide by these rules.
- I attest that I am at least eighteen (18) years of age; that I have read and understand the foregoing assumption of risk and release of liability, agree with it and intend to be legally bound by its terms.

Printed Name of Owner/Handler:_____

Owner/Handler Signature:_____ **Date:**_____