

Repealed
By-law No. 2443/79 was repealed by By-law No. 92/2013 on July 17, 2013.
Therefore, this amending by-law is also deemed to be repealed.

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

BY-LAW NO. 7147/98

**A By-law of THE CITY OF WINNIPEG to
amend By-law No. 2443/79 being The Pound
By-law.**

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG, in Council assembled, enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. 2443/79 is amended by adding immediately following Section 27 the following:

“Off Leash Areas

27.1(1) The City’s Director of Public Works, in consultation with the City’s Manager of the Animal Services Division, shall have the authority to designate, or cancel the designation, of areas where owners may allow a dog to be off its leash based on the following criteria:

(a) Criteria for establishing an off leash area:

- (i) the area shall be of sufficient size and/or diverse landscape to allow dogs and owners to pursue activities such as running, fetching and walking; and
- (ii) the area shall be far enough removed from major roads and railway tracks to reduce the likelihood of an unleashed dog from running into traffic; and
- (iii) the area shall be far enough removed from children’s play areas, school grounds and scheduled athletic fields to reduce its potential for conflict between children and unleashed dogs; and
- (iv) the area shall be far enough removed from heavily used public open space such as public gardens and picnic areas, to avoid conflict with the users of these facilities; and
- (v) the area shall be reasonably accessible to users.

(b) Criteria for cancelling an off leash area:

The designation of an area as an off leash area may be cancelled for one or

more of the following reasons:

- (i) Where there is a consistent violation of the requirement to pick up feces;
 - (ii) Where use of the area by unleashed dogs interferes with public use of the site;
 - (iii) Where conflicts between dogs and/or dog owners becomes problematic;
 - (iv) Where future development of the site changes the nature of the area making it unsuitable for further use as an off leash area.
- (2) Where an off leash area is established, an owner shall comply with the following rules and any violation thereof shall constitute an offence under this by-law:
 - (a) an owner shall be responsible for all actions of his or her dog;
 - (b) an owner shall be present and within view of his or her dog;
 - (c) an owner shall remove his or her dog from the area at the first sign of aggression;
 - (d) an owner shall ensure that his or her dog is under voice control while off leash, namely, come when called;
 - (e) an owner shall have a leash in his or her hand at all times;
 - (f) female dogs in heat shall not be allowed to enter or remain;
 - (g) dangerous or aggressive dogs shall not be allowed to enter or remain;
 - (h) any holes dug by a dog shall be filled by the owner;
 - (i) all feces shall be picked up by the owner and removed or deposited in waste receptacles;
 - (j) all dogs shall be licenced in accordance with this By-law;
 - (k) off leash areas will be open for use during the hours posted at each site.
- (3) Clauses (a), (b) and (i) of Subsection 20(1) shall not apply to an off leash area.

DONE AND PASSED in Council assembled, this 25th day of February, 1998.