



# COUNTY OF BUCKS

## Department of Parks & Recreation

### Off-Leash Dog Area



**2016 Access Cards will be available for purchase beginning on Wednesday, January 6, 2016, no earlier.** If you have a 2015 Access Card, it will be active until **Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>** after which time it will be turned off and you will be locked out until you renew. *2016 Dog Licenses go on sale in December 2015 at the Bucks County Treasurer's Office, selected other locations and on-line at [PAdoglicense.com](http://PAdoglicense.com)*

### **INFORMATION PAGE & RULES**

#### **Application Requirements:**

**RENEWING APPLICANTS:** You may MAIL IN: 1) your 2016 completed application, 2) your payment, 3) a copy of your 2016 Dog License receipt and 4) a copy of a current Certificate of Rabies; or you can RENEW IN PERSON at our Core Creek Park Office. Any mailed-in applications must be complete with signature on the back, or we will not process your access card renewal.

**NEW APPLICANTS:** Application and payment must be made in person, showing a RECEIPT from the purchase of a 2016 Dog License and a current Certificate of Rabies Vaccination issued by a veterinarian, for each dog. All registered dogs are required to have both a current dog license issued by the applicant's County of year-round residence and a current rabies vaccination certificate from a licensed veterinarian. Additionally, each applicant is required to thoroughly read the "Rules & Regulations" and then sign the "Acceptance of Risk & Release of Liability Waiver Form". **Please note that only registered persons and registered dogs are allowed to use the park.**

#### **Off-Leash Dog Area Access Cards:**

The Access Card will allow registered users to gain entry to the Off-Leash Dog Area during the scheduled hours of operation. Access Cards are NOT transferable between owners! They may be used only by the persons and dogs listed on the application. The Access Card will allow unlimited use of the Off-Leash Dog Area, located in Core Creek Park, from 7 AM until sunset, seven (7) days a week, weather and conditions permitting, and may be closed at times for routine maintenance. Sunset varies daily throughout the year. Cards will be valid at least until December 31 of the year purchased.

#### **User Fees:**

- Bucks County Resident Annual Access Card Fee - \$35.00
- Non-Resident of Bucks County Annual Access Card Fee - \$50.00
- Access Card Replacement Fee - \$5.00

Payments can be made with cash, Master Card, VISA or check/money order made payable to: 'County of Bucks'. **ALL fees are non-refundable and there is no proration of the fee.**

#### **Applications & Access Cards:**

Applications and Access Cards may be obtained from the **Department of Parks & Recreation office, located at Core Creek Park at 901 E. Bridgetown Pike, Langhorne, PA, Monday-Friday** (with the exception of official County holidays) from **8:00 am – 4:30 pm**. Application packets may also be downloaded from our website [www.buckscounty.org](http://www.buckscounty.org)

***All information, fees and rules are subject to change without notice.***

*Please read and review the Rules and Regulations for Usage on the reverse side before you sign the Acceptance of Risk & Release of Liability & Waiver Form.....*

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**Department of Parks & Recreation**  
**Off-Leash Dog Area (Dog Park)**  
***RULES & REGULATIONS FOR USAGE***

***To ensure safety & good times for all, please strictly observe the following rules & regulations.  
Those found in violation will lose Off-Leash Dog Area privileges without a refund.***

1. Off-leash dog area hours: 7:00 am – sunset (weather and conditions permitting). Please check for sunset times.
2. Please, utilize the off-leash dog area in a responsible manner at all times.
3. All handlers and dogs must be registered with the Bucks County Dept. of Parks & Recreation to receive an access card to utilize the off-leash dog area. All dogs must have valid dog licenses and current rabies shots prior to use. All dogs entering this off-leash dog area must be healthy and must wear a collar displaying their current rabies tag and dog license as required by Pennsylvania law. If violations are detected, your privileges will be revoked & you could be subject to a fine. **Please note that access cards can only be used by registered individuals and registered dogs.**
4. Dogs must be on a leash when entering and exiting the off-leash dog area. Remove leashes only in the designated 'unleash area'.
5. Handlers must accompany and monitor dogs closely. Dogs must be in view of and under voice command of their handlers at all times. Handlers must always carry a leash for each dog while inside the off-leash dog area.
6. No smoking, alcohol, food of any kind, human or dog, or glass containers are permitted in the off-leash dog area.
7. Dogs showing aggression toward people or other animals must be removed from the off-leash dog area immediately. Dogs that are known to have history of aggressive behavior will not be permitted. Reported cases will result in the loss of off-leash dog area privileges with no refund.
8. Dogs that are in heat or that are sick are prohibited in the off-leash dog area.
9. Puppies must be at least six (6) months old and fully vaccinated.
10. Children under the age of eighteen (18) years must be accompanied by and be, at all times, under the supervision of an adult in the off-leash dog area.
11. Please clean up after yourself and your dogs – biodegradable scoop bags and deposit waste receptacles are available in the off-leash dog area.
12. The handler of any dog(s) assumes all liability for damages suffered by anyone who is bitten or injured by the handler's dog while utilizing the off-leash dog area, or any dog that you have allowed to enter the off-leash dog area with your pass.
13. No more than two (2) dogs per person are permitted at one time in the off-leash dog area.
14. Prong (pinch), choke, spiked *or electric training* collars are not permitted in the off-leash dog area.
15. The off-leash dog area is divided into two (2) separate fenced-in areas, providing maximum safety for your dog. Dogs weighing less than 28 lbs. must use the Small dog enclosure; Dogs weighing 28 lbs. or more must use the Large dog enclosure.