

ACRE - Dogs on ACRE Lands Guidelines

Dogs are allowed on ACRE Lands as set out in these guidelines. To protect the ecological integrity and shared use of these protected lands, and to ensure ACRE lands can be enjoyed by everyone, owners or people with dogs (“Owners”) are to respect the following:

Leashed and Unleashed Dogs

- ❖ Aggressive dogs need to be kept on leash and/or muzzled
- ❖ Do not allow your dog to be aggressive towards other dogs or people
- ❖ Your dog must have a collar or harness
- ❖ Always carry a leash
- ❖ Your dog must be under your voice control (stay & recall) and within your sight off leash

Disturbing Wildlife

- ❖ Dogs should not disturb wildlife such as deer and ducks (avoid pursuits and chasing)
- ❖ Dogs should not enter ponds when ducks, turtles, beavers and other wildlife are present nearby
- ❖ During waterfowl nesting period (approximately April to early June), dogs should not enter ponds or disturb habitat on the shorelines

Dog Etiquette

- ❖ Respect, patience and communication between dog owners and others is key to the successful shared use of ACRE’s lands
- ❖ Do not assume that other dogs or people want to play or meet your dog.
- ❖ Seek the views of other Owners when dogs are not familiar to one another.
- ❖ Leash your dog when requested by others until the encounter is cleared
- ❖ Ensure their dogs do not jump up on people
- ❖ Owners are responsible and liable for the actions and behaviour of their dogs at all times on or off-leash

Dog Health

- ❖ Dogs must have current vaccinations and not have any contagious diseases
- ❖ Dogs in heat should be on leash
- ❖ Scoop and bag your dog’s poop and remove the bag from ACRE lands for disposal at your residence