



# Borough of Pottstown

Borough Hall, 100 East High Street  
Pottstown, Pennsylvania 19464-9525

## Pottstown Bark Park Terms and Conditions

1. In order to utilize **The Pottstown Bark Park** (Bark Park), **dog owners** (Users) must first register with the **Pottstown Parks & Recreation Department** (PPRD) using the **Pottstown Bark Park Registration Form**. There is a \$15.00 **annual** fee to be paid at the time of registration for each registration filed, at which time a gate key will be issued. Membership is renewable annually March - April, at which time Bark Park locks will be changed and new keys issued. Users will be reminded when it is time to renew with the email address provided.
2. Users may register **no more than 3 dogs** per household.
3. Users returning an old key with a renewed registration will be issued a \$5 credit towards the renewal fee.
4. At the time of registration, users are required to provide all information as indicated on the **Pottstown Bark Park Registration Form**. This includes documentation regarding vaccinations and registration as indicated in item 5. Failure to provide all requested information renders user ineligible for Bark Park usage. Copies of required documents must be furnished. **The PPRD office will charge a fee for any copies made on site.**
5. All dogs using the Bark Park must be legally licensed in the state of PA through the county in which the User resides and vaccinated to the current standard for rabies and distemper. PPRD strongly recommends users regularly receive the full DHPP and Bordatella vaccines. PPRD also recommends users consider the leptospirosis vaccine.
6. Users must provide updated documentation of all items indicated above (items 4 and 5) to the PPRD as applicable at the time of annual membership renewal.
7. Dog(s) must display current tags (license and rabies) while in the Bark Park.
8. Puppies under four months old are not permitted in the park.
9. Dogs exhibiting illness and/or with internal or external parasites (fleas, ticks, worms) are not permitted in the park.
10. Dogs using the park must be accompanied by a User whose name appears on the Bark Park Registration Form. User must be 18+ years of age. User must have visual and voice control of their dog at all times.
11. User understands that there is **NO ATTENDANT ON DUTY**: Use of Bark Park occurs at Users' risk.
12. The Bark Park is primarily user-maintained. In order to keep the park clean and well groomed, each user must be responsible for cleaning up after his or her pet using the dog waste bags provided on site. Dog waste must be disposed of in a receptacle designated for waste.
13. Users are legally and financially responsible for their dog's behavior at all times. **The Borough of Pottstown** will not be held liable for any injury or damage caused by any dog on municipal property or to any person within the park. Users can prevent injuries by supervising dog closely at all times.
14. The Bark Park is for registered users and their registered dogs only. Users should inform PPRD of unauthorized usage immediately. If PPRD is unavailable, contact The Pottstown Police Department.
15. Users must not admit unauthorized persons. Each user must enter with their own key.
16. For their own safety, users will not bring small children less than 5 years of age into the Bark Park.



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17. Dogs must be leashed prior to entering and prior to exiting the park. Users must have a leash in hand at all times while using the Bark Park.
18. Users must immediately fill in any holes dug by their dog(s).
19. Users terminating membership will receive a \$5 refund with the return of a current Bark Park key.
20. Users must remove any prong or spiked collars from your dog before entering the park.
21. First time park users should consider visiting the park during non-peak times; mid-day during the week is best.
22. The Bark Park is open dawn to dusk year-round. The Bark Park may be closed on occasion due to functions taking place in Memorial Park and/or seasonal maintenance per the discretion of the PPRD.
23. Bark Park is not accessible to users during routine maintenance.
24. If a dog becomes aggressive, it must be leashed and removed from the park immediately. Dogs known to be aggressive towards other dogs or people (or exhibiting any threatening behavior) may not enter the park. Users may report aggressive dogs to PPRD. If a user receives multiple complaints against their dog, PPRD reserves the right to suspend or terminate Bark Park membership per Management's discretion without refund.
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**To file a complaint:** Please include as much information as possible, IE: identifying information of the dog (name, breed, etc.) and/or identifying information of the owner, if possible.

- Inform PPRD via email: [pottsparks@pottstown.org](mailto:pottsparks@pottstown.org)
- Call PPRD Monday thru Friday 7:30am – 4:00pm
- Emergencies – Contact 911

26. Violators of these terms and conditions will be subject to removal from the park and suspension of park privileges per the discretion of the PPRD. Please report violators to PPRD so we may proceed with any necessary action.

*I have read and understand the **Bark Park Terms and Conditions**. I agree to abide by all terms and conditions here stated. I certify all information contained below in the **Pottstown Bark Park Registration Form** is true to the best of my knowledge.*

User Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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## Pottstown Bark Park Registration Form

*All fields must be completed. Affix copies of rabies certificate, distemper vaccination record, and county license records upon submission.*

Primary Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number (cell): \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number (cell): \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Maximum of three dogs per household**

Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight and color(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dog License # and County: \_\_\_\_\_

Distemper Vaccine date of administration: \_\_\_\_\_ exp. date \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies Vaccine date of administration: \_\_\_\_\_ exp. date \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight and color(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dog License # and County: \_\_\_\_\_

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