

Ka Makana at Hoakalei Community Association
Dog Play Area Rules & Regulations

1. The Ka Makana Dog Play Area (DPA) is a private off-leash area for the exclusive use of Ka Makana residents and their dogs. Guest dogs are not permitted.
2. DPA hours are 7-days a week 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Hours and days of use are subject to change by the Board of Directors. The DPA is closed on Mondays until 12:00 noon for maintenance.
3. The DPA is for dogs, their handlers and those accompanying them. No other use is allowed.
4. Dogs must be on leash when entering and exiting the off-leash DPA.
5. No handlers shall have more than two dogs under his/her control.
6. Handlers shall maintain voice control over their dog(s) at all times.
7. Handlers must have control and must carry a leash while their dogs are in the off-leash DPA.
8. Dogs must be free of diseases and parasites such as fleas and ticks and have current vaccinations.
9. No dogs in estrus/heat are allowed in the DPA.
10. All dogs are required to wear a valid current dog license tag attached to the dog's collar.
11. Prong collars, choke chains, and spiked collars are prohibited.
12. All persons entering the off-leash DPA enters at his or her own risk. The Association and its Agents are not liable to any person or dog for any injury or harm incurred or caused by any other person or dog entering or remaining in the off-leash DPA.
13. Handlers shall carry equipment for the removal and disposal of dog feces.
14. Handlers shall pick up and dispose of any and all feces left by the dog.
15. No glass containers of any kind are permitted.
16. Handlers shall be eighteen years of age or older.
17. Minors under the age of eighteen shall not be allowed in the off-leash DPA unless under the control and supervision of an adult.
18. Handlers shall immediately leash and remove the dog from the DPA if the dog exhibits aggressive behavior towards other DPADPA users or other dogs or is barking in such a fashion so as to disturb neighboring homes..
19. DPA "One Gulp" dog treats are permitted. No bones or chew treats.
20. All persons entering the off-leash DPA shall comply with all city ordinances and signs posted in the DPA.
21. Professional dog trainers shall not use the off-leash DPA for the conduct of their business.
22. Handlers must stop their dog from digging and must fill all holes dug up by the dog(s) under their control.
23. No food, alcoholic beverages or smoking is permitted.
24. Bicycles, motorized toys, etc. are not permitted in the DPA.
25. Failure to abide by DPA rules may result in prohibition from use of the DPA.

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- If your dog is new to dog DPAs, **PLAN** your first visit for a day and time when the DPA is not too busy. The DPA is busiest on weekdays after 4:00 p.m., and on weekends.
- **UNLEASH** your dog inside the gate before entering the DPA. A leashed dog may feel vulnerable and can display fear biting and aggression. If you keep your dog leashed in the DPA because you think it will be aggressive with other dogs, or because it won't come when called, consider obedience or socialization training before coming to the DPA.
- **CLOSE** the gate behind you. Don't linger at the gate, creating congestion and blocking others from entering and exiting.
- Please call your dog **AWAY FROM THE GATED ENTRANCE** when "new" dogs first enter the DPA. Dogs are territorial, and the boundaries or edges of a territory can be points for aggression. The chances for conflict are reduced once the dogs are inside the territory.
- **NO FOOD** in the DPA—not for humans, not for animals. The DPA is specifically for dogs, who may beg, steal or fight for food. If you want to have a picnic, there are many other nice "human" parks.
- **WATCH** your dog at all times. If your dog is humping other dogs or displays other repeated dominant behavior, call it off and try to redirect its behavior. If your dog is experiencing dominant behavior from another dog, try moving away and letting its owner know. Don't wait until a dog fight occurs.
- **REMOVE** prong collars, choke chains, and spiked collars from your dog before entering the DPA.
- **DISTINGUISH** between play and aggression. Some dogs like to play rough, others don't. If your dog likes to play rough, be conscious that other dogs or their owners may not appreciate it. You may want to arrange "play dates" with dogs with similar play styles.
- A dog that is **REPEATEDLY AGGRESSIVE** towards other dogs or people should stop coming to the dog DPA. The DPA may not be a good place to resolve behavior issues. Seek help from an animal behaviorist or trainer. DPA rules require that aggressive dogs be removed.
- Be aware that **DOG FIGHTS** may occur. If your dog is in a fight, don't try to break it up by grabbing the other dog's muzzle or collar or pulling at your dog's muzzle, because you may get bitten. While there is no safe way to break up a dog fight, some methods include throwing water on the dogs to surprise them, or each owner grabbing his/her own dog by its hindquarters and pulling it away.
- Owners are responsible for **INJURIES OR DAMAGE** caused by their dogs. If your dog is injured or causes an injury, you should exchange contact information with the other dog's

owner. You enter and use the DPA at your own risk. If you are concerned about the risk of injury to your small dog, try to visit the DPA during off-times.

- If you bring SMALL CHILDREN, watch them carefully. Running/playing dogs can knock down small children and large adults. Children should not run, scream, chase, or tease the dogs because frightened dogs may become aggressive.
- After heavy rains, the DPA can be very muddy. Hoses are not provided for washing off muddy dogs, so consider bringing extra towels.
- TEACH children to always ASK if they may approach and pet someone else's dog. It is a good habit to learn and use not only in the dog DPA, but in all situations involving dogs. Even dogs with good temperaments may not be comfortable with strangers suddenly reaching to touch them. Also, a dog with a health condition may be sensitive on certain parts of his or her body.