



2026 Dog Park Permit Application

Thank you for choosing the Forest Preserve District of Will County dog parks. To obtain your annual dog park permit, complete this application and email it to permits@fpdwc.org or mail it to 17540 W. Laraway Rd., Joliet, IL 60433. Once the permit is processed, a receipt and dog park pass with lanyard will be mailed to the address listed. Please allow up to 14 business days for the pass to arrive. The lanyard and pass must always be worn and visible while inside the dog park.

Permits are valid from the date received until December 31, 2026.

OWNER INFORMATION

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Are You a Will County Resident? Yes No

Driver's License #: _____ Vehicle License plate(s) _____ Date of Birth: _____

Dog Information	Dog 1	Dog 2	Dog 3
Dog Name			
Dog Color			
Breed or Description			
Rabies Tag #			
Rabies Exp. Date (mm/dd/yy)			

GETTING A DOG PARK PERMIT

For the safety of dog park users and their dogs, a permit is needed for those wishing to use the dog parks. To obtain your permit, please complete this form and send it with payment to Sugar Creek Administration Center, 17540 W. Laraway Road, Joliet, IL 60433. If you are an active military member or veteran, please include a copy of your military ID card or a copy of your driver's license if it includes your military information to receive the discount.

Annual Permit
Resident: \$40 | Non-Resident: \$80

Half Year Permit (July 1st or later)
Resident: \$20 | Non-Resident: \$40

Senior (65+), Active Military or Veteran Discount: \$10 off per permit (discount can only be applied once)

Additional Dogs (up to 2 additional dogs)
Residents: \$20 per dog | Non-Residents: \$30 per dog

Additional Passes
Duplicate Passes: \$5 (maximum of 2 passes)

Daily Pass: \$5/day

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ Daily Pass Valid Date/s: _____

- Cash (Only accepted for in-person transactions. DO NOT MAIL CASH.)
- Check or Money Order (Payable to *Forest Preserve District of Will County*)
- Credit Card: # _____ Exp. Date: _____ CVC Code: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

RULES OF THE DOG PARKS

1. As a condition of this permit, you are subject to all rules and regulations contained in General Use Ordinance No. 124, the Illinois Criminal Code, the Illinois Vehicle Code, and the Illinois Game and Fish Codes. Falsification of information or violation of any of these rules or ordinances of the District will result in the denial and/or revocation of this permit, forfeiture of fees, and/or fines.
2. Dog park permits are only issued to adults 18 years of age or older. The permit holder must be the person to accompany the dog to the park.
3. Permit holders are required to wear their ID lanyard when in the dog park. ID Lanyard must always be visible while in the park. Photo reproduction of passes will not be accepted.
4. All dog park permits expire at the end of the calendar year (Dec. 31, 2026).
5. Only one dog park permit may be issued per person. Only 3 dogs may be included on a permit. No person can be in the dog park with more than 3 dogs at any time.
6. A dog must be at least 6 months of age to obtain a permit and visit the dog park.
7. All dogs must be registered with the District with a current rabies tag number and expiration date on file. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to notify the District of an updated rabies tag number and expiration date.
8. Dogs must display a current rabies tag while inside the dog park.
9. When visiting the dog park, the permit holder must always stay with their dog.
10. Each dog park has a separate area for small dogs only. A dog must weight 35lbs or less to use the small dog sections. Small dogs may visit the large dog section, but dogs over 35lbs may not visit the small dog section.
11. Alcohol is not allowed in the dog parks.
12. Smoking is not allowed under the dog park shade structures.
13. Permit holders must clean up after their dogs both in the dog park (including tall grass areas) and the preserve in general. This includes any waste as well as water bowls and dog toys.
14. Unhealthy dogs and those in heat are not allowed in the dog parks.
15. Food of any kind is not allowed in the dog parks, except for small dog training treats.
16. Dogs must be leashed when entering and exiting the dog park. Dogs in a preserve must be leashed if they are outside of the dog park area. Leashes more than 10 feet are not allowed.
17. Owners must remove their dog immediately from the dog park at the first sign of aggressive behavior. Dogs are not allowed to disturb, harass, or interfere with wildlife, other visitors, or staff on site. Permits may be revoked after repeated incidences of aggressive behavior or disturbance.
18. Owners must deter their dogs from digging holes in the dog park; owners should fill any holes dug by

their dogs using the provided bucket and dirt pile within the park. Owners that continue to allow their dog(s) to cause damage will be cited.

19. Forest Preserve District of Will County Operations staff visit the dog parks periodically during the week for mowing and other upkeep. If a dog is interfering with scheduled maintenance or showing aggression, staff has the right to request that the owner leash the dog until work is completed.
20. Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult and not left unattended at the dog park.

By signing below, I agree to abide by all the rules listed here and as posted at the dog parks to ensure the safety of my dog and other users of the dog parks. I recognize that the use of the dog parks may entail certain risk, injury or loss to dogs and people, and I assume full responsibility for any injuries, damages and expenses that I, my dog or other dogs accompanying me might sustain while using this facility or any person or dog might sustain as a result of my dog's actions. I agree not to hold the Forest Preserve District of Will County liable for any loss or damage to persons or property arising from my use of the facilities or engaging in the activity for which this permit is granted. I agree to defend and hold harmless the Forest Preserve District of Will County and any associated parties for all claims or actions brought by myself, my heirs, my guests, contractors or invitees as a result of the exercise of the rights granted under this permit. Rules/regulations references to "owner" include the person responsible for the dog while at the dog park, whether that person is the legal owner of the dog or not. Failure to abide by any of the above rules leaves the permit holder liable and susceptible to receiving a ticket and/or suspension from District property by Forest Preserve District of Will County Police.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Call 911 in an emergency.

In a non-emergency, call the Laraway Communication Center at 815.727.6191 to reach a Forest Preserve officer.