



ECM Policy Regarding Pets on the Campgrounds

Policy Details:

Family pets are permitted on the grounds subject to the following regulations:

1. All pets on the grounds must be registered with the Stayner or Mishewah office. One registration covers Stayner and Mishewah for the season but the pet must be registered at both camps. The registration will also keep track of any animals that have been "banned" from the camps.
2. Pet owners will be required to sign a form that contains the rules and agree to abide by them.
3. ECM reserves the right to limit the number of pets per site. Normally 1 dog will be allowed per site. Exceptions may be granted.
4. Other than the designated walking areas, pets are not allowed in the common areas of the grounds or in any buildings on the campgrounds.
5. Owners are responsible to "stoop and scoop" and properly dispose of their pet's waste in their own garbage. Do not place stoop and scoop bags directly in the garbage pails around the camp ground.
6. Pets must be kept "quiet" at all times. Excessive barking or other noise will not be tolerated.
7. Dogs must be kept under control and on a leash (max 2 meters) at all times.
8. Pets must not be left outside and unattended at any time.
9. We have a zero tolerance policy on aggressive behaviour by any pet (biting, excessive lunging etc.). Once the behavior has been verified the owner will be asked to remove the animal immediately.
10. The dog walking area is defined as follows:
Stayner: The area west of the fire pit along the railway tracks and through the paths coming out to the camp sites at both ends of Charity St.
Mishewah: The north west corner of the campground near the road (Pet sites are not allowed on sites 1 - 35).
11. Dog sites will be allocated at each camp by the Camp Director following the policy as set out by the AMM.

At both camps seasonal campers may apply for an exemption and permission may be granted on a case by case basis.



12. With respect to dogs as outlined in the Ontario Dog Owners Liability Act owners are solely responsible for the actions of their dog and are financially responsible for any damage caused either to ECM property or any other private property and for any personal injuries caused by their dog . Also note that certain breeds that are prohibited or restricted in the act are not allowed on the camp grounds. *"pit bull terrier, Staffordshire bull terrier, American Staffordshire terrier, American pit bull terrier or a dog that has an appearance and physical characteristics that are substantially similar to any of the aforementioned dogs"*. (quote from the act)

13. Complaints from other campers will be taken seriously and investigated. In most cases one warning will be given. Failure to comply with these regulations will result in the owner being asked to remove the animal from the campgrounds immediately without refund of the registration or camping fees.

14. Dogs that are recognized as Guide Dogs or Service Dogs to persons with disabilities are exempt from the fees and restrictions identified in this policy, but owners are required to register their dog with the camp office.

15. Immunization is required and all pets must be current with immunizations. Proof has to be filed with us as per Simcoe County Health Unit Regulations. Rabies tags are to be placed on the pets collar. Health Unit Regulations Below:

5. (1) The owner or person having the care and custody of an animal that has been immunized or reimmunized against rabies shall be issued a certificate of immunization by the veterinarian who carried out the immunization. R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 567, s. 5 (1). (2) In the case of a cat or dog, the veterinarian who carried out the immunization shall also provide the owner or person with a rabies identification tag. R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 567, s. 5 (2).

6. A certificate of immunization shall be signed by the veterinarian who performed the immunization and shall contain,

- (a) the name and address of the owner or person having care and custody of the animal;
- (b) the species, breed, sex and age of the animal;
- (c) markings, if any, on the animal;
- (d) the address of the clinic or other location where the animal was immunized;
- (e) the name and code of the vaccine;
- (f) the date of the immunization;

I certify that I have read and understand and will comply with the Pet Policy as stated above and:

1. The kind of pet I am bringing is: _____

2. Name of Pet: _____

3. I accept the policy and its conditions as outlined above.

Signed: _____

Print: _____

Dated: _____