



Sudden Valley Community Association

Policy: Marina Community Park Off-Leash Dog Area Policy
Policy # 2026.02
Effective Date: June 25, 2026

Purpose: To align Association policy with physical changes to the Marina Community Park Off-Leash Dog Area, this policy is hereby adopted by the Association as of the Effective Date.

This policy supersedes and replaces SVCA Policy 2020.01.

Regulations:

1. Dogs must be kept on a leash no longer than 8 feet as per Whatcom County Regulations throughout the entire marina facility, except within the designated off-leash dog area (the "Off-Leash Area") shown in Attachment A of this policy.
2. Owners/handlers must REMOVE fecal matter deposited by their dog.
3. When in the Off-Leash Area, owners/handlers must keep their dog under voice or sound control, and control their dog by leash, if necessary, when possible, conflict exists.
4. Dogs younger than four (4) months, in heat, and/or that show aggressive behavior may not use the Off-Leash Area.
5. Dogs using the Off-Leash Area must have a current license as per Whatcom County Law.
6. Owners/handlers are liable for damage or injury inflicted by their dogs.
7. Article 6 (Pet Regulations) Rules and Regulations for SVCA and all associated fines for noncompliance remain in effect and applicable.
8. Violation of this policy results in a thirty (30) day suspension from the entire



Laser-cut Off-Leash Dog Park Sign

Mutt Mitt station

The boundary separating the Off-Leash Area from the rest of the park runs parallel to the tennis court fence approx. 154 feet away. Until the permanent fence is installed, wooden signposts will mark the boundary.

Mutt Mitt station and garbage can

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