

**Freedom Barks, Inc. is a small, volunteer led nonprofit that assists Medford Township with maintaining and enhancing Freedom Barks Dog Park.**

**We are a committee of dog park patrons who volunteer our time to maintain the dog park grounds and amenities i.e., walking trails, bridges, benches, agility equipment, and signs. We are also responsible for having the park's dog waste cans serviced weekly.**



**Interested in volunteering or donating?**

[www.freedombarks.com](http://www.freedombarks.com)

**For updates on park announcements and events, follow us @freedombarksdogpark**



**Or send us an email at [freedombarksdogpark@gmail.com](mailto:freedombarksdogpark@gmail.com) to join our contact list!**



Thank you to our field sponsors for their continued support which allows Freedom Barks, Inc. to maintain a clean and safe environment for our visitors to enjoy!



***The volunteers of Freedom Barks, Inc. have created this pamphlet with the goal of promoting proper dog park etiquette and responsible dog ownership.***



## Introduction:

Freedom Barks Dog Park is an unfenced 26-acre off leash area, surrounded by woods, with a large creek, and multiple fields.

It is ***vital*** that our park goers have a good foundation of commands and socialization prior to visiting.



## Before entering the park, make sure you have:

- **A dog with a reliable off leash recall.**
  - *If the answer is no, head over to the fenced in section, or put your dog on a long line leash & practice in a field!*
- **A dog with no reactivity issues.**
  - *If your dog has reactivity, we recommend working to resolve those issues with a trainer before going to any dog park.*
- **A dog that is up to date on shots and at least 4 months old.**
- **A leash.**
- **Plenty of poop bags.**



## Respect All Park Goers:

- **Don't let your dog rush or overwhelm others.**
  - *Some dogs do not want to play with others. We want everyone to have the best park day they can and for some that means one on one time with their pup.*
- **Keep your dog with you at all times.**
  - *This park is large and a dog without an owner is at risk of getting hurt or accidentally hurting others.*
- **Prioritize paying attention to your dog over other distractions, like your phone.**
- **Don't feed other owner's dogs without permission.**
  - *If needed, treats should be only used for your dog.*
- **All toys are discouraged from being brought to the park.**
  - *Some toys are choking hazards for others and can also be a trigger for resource guarding.*

Medford Township's General Guidelines & Rules on the use of Freedom Barks Dog Park are posted at the entrances.

In addition, the rules for the fenced-in dog runs are posted at both gates.

Per Chapter 66 of Medford's Administrative Code (Dogs), dogs may be banned for repeated aggressive behaviors, and summons may be issued for more serious &/or repeated violations, with penalties as prescribed under NJ State Statutes.

All incidents should be reported to the Medford Police at 609-267-8300 or via their confidential tip line at 609-714-0302.

[For a link to read the rules and Chapter 66 of Medford Township's Code, please visit \[www.freedombarks.com\]\(http://www.freedombarks.com\)](#)