



**CITY OF ROCHESTER
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

**PET PARK PERMIT
APPLICATION**

This application is for non-resident individuals and families who wish to walk their pet in any of the parks in the City of Rochester, or for residents who wish to purchase a park permit and did not already purchase a permit at the time of licensing the pet, or if a replacement park permit must be issued. Proof of licensing and rabies vaccination must be provided for each pet.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

\$40 non-resident park permit \$10 resident park permit
\$20 non-resident senior park permit \$5 resident senior park permit

The fee for a replacement permit is the same as the original permit fee

OWNER INFORMATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

PET INFORMATION

NAME(S): _____

SEX: M / F / MN / FS

Check all that apply for multiple pets

BREED(S): _____

COLOR(S): _____

RABIES VACCINATION EXPIRATION DATE(S): _____

We agree to comply with Chapter 34.32 of the City Code and with the permit requirements and restrictions as established by the City Council by Resolution, originally adopted on the 12th day of June 1995, and as amended January 21, 2002 and thereafter.

As the owner of the pet, we hereby acknowledge that we will comply with all park rules regarding the use of a leash, cleanup of fecal matter, and shall carry a pooper scooper or plastic bags at all times that our pet is within a park area in order to clean up our pet's fecal matter. We will at all times have the Pet Park Permit attached to the pet's collar or leash in a manner that is clearly visible. If at any time we are in failure to carry the pooper scooper or plastic bags, the permit for park privileges for the pet shall be immediately revoked and understand a second violation occurs the next year or in the future, the Pet Park Permit would be revoked forever.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

OFFICE USE ONLY:

RES/NON-RES ADDRESS VERIFIED? _____ RABIES VACC. PROOF? _____ LICENSE PROOF? _____

PERMIT # ISSUED: _____

RESOLUTION
DOG PARK PERMITS

WHEREAS, Section 34.32 - Parks - of the City Code of the City of Rochester prohibits any dog, pet and/or tame animal(s) to walk, run or otherwise enter on or into any park area within the City, including Dinosaur Hill Nature Preserve, without a special permit issued by the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, said Ordinance provides for the City council to establish by Resolution the restrictions, cost, pet owner responsibilities, and such other terms and conditions on said permit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Rochester City Council, on behalf of its residents, does hereby establish the following regarding Dog Permits for access to any park area:

Exemption:

1. Dogs owned or trained for the guidance or assistance of a disabled person shall be exempt from obtaining a Dog Park Permit.

Application Requirements:

1. Application must be accompanied by a certificate signed by a veterinarian registered under the laws of the State of Michigan, stating that said dog has been properly immunized against rabies for a period of time concurrent with the licensing period of the City of Rochester.
2. Application must be accompanied by a copy of the receipt for a current dog license listing the applicant as the owner and showing the same address as the owner's driver's license.
3. Applicant must show or provide a copy of his/her current State of Michigan driver's license. The address on the license must match that on the receipt for a dog license. At the discretion of the City Clerk, another form of proof of residency may be accepted.
4. Puppies under 4 months old that have not been vaccinated for rabies must submit a letter from a veterinarian stating same. These puppies will be issued a red park permit with an expiration date listed. Use of the puppy permit after the listed expiration date shall result in a violation being issued.

Dog Owner Responsibilities:

1. The dog owner shall apply to the City Clerk (on an application prepared by the City Clerk) to obtain a permit to walk their dog in any park within the City of Rochester.
2. The dog owner shall sign an agreement (similar to the form attached herewith identified as Exhibit 1, which shall become a part of this Resolution) indicating he/she is aware of and at all times will adhere to the park rules regarding the leash requirements, clean up all fecal matter and said person shall also have on his or her possession a pooper scooper or plastic bag(s) at all times said person is within a park area with a dog in order to clean up the dog's fecal matter.
3. Said dog owner will be issued a permit tag, which shall be attached to the collar, or leash at all times the dog is within a park area. Said dog owner shall not alter the permit or use the permit to walk a dog other than the dog(s) to which the permit was assigned.
4. The owner(s) signature on the permit agreement will constitute due notice that should an individual with a dog permit be in violation of anyone or all of the following: failure to have the dog on a leash of 6' or less, failure to carry a pooper scooper or plastic bag(s), or failure to clean up after the dog, their park privileges for dog access shall be revoked and they would be issued a Violation Notice to appear in court. If a second violation occurred the next year or in the future, the dog permit privilege would be revoked for that owner(s) forever.

Cost:

1. The cost for the Dog Permit for residents of the City of Rochester is hereby established to be \$10.00. This \$10.00 fee shall include up to three (3) dogs for the same owner/address.
2. The cost for the Dog Permit for residents outside of the City of Rochester is hereby established to be \$40.00. This \$40.00 fee shall include up to three (3) dogs for the same owner/address.
3. The cost for a senior citizen shall be reduced by one-half; i.e., residents of Rochester 0 \$5.00, non-residents - \$20.00. The individual applying for a senior citizen discount shall be 65 years of age or older at the time of application for permit to qualify for the discount.
4. The resident fee shall apply to individuals who are taxpayers within the City. This shall include either real property or personal property. To be eligible for the "resident" rate, the individual shall be required to submit proof of a current year, paid tax bill. Only the taxpayer shall be eligible for the "resident" rate.
5. The fee is an annual fee for the period concurrent with the Dog License. The full amount would have to be paid any time application was made throughout the year. The fee shall not be prorated for a portion of the year.
6. If the permit is lost, a fee of \$10.00 for residents and \$40.00 for non-residents shall be charged to reissue the permit.
7. Damaged permits may be exchanged at no charge after the City Clerk verifies payment and owner's identification.
8. Puppy permit fees are the same as dog permit fees. The puppy permit may be exchanged for a dog permit at no additional charge once a rabies vaccination certificate is submitted to the City Clerk.

Restrictions:

1. The Dog Permit shall provide access to any park area unless said area is specifically identified to prohibit dogs, i.e., children's play areas, picnic areas, or such other area as determined by the City Council.
2. The permit shall not allow access to the park areas during special events, including but not limited to, the Heritage Festival and The Art & Apples Festival and the Concert in the Park Series. The dogs would be allowed in areas of the park during special events, but not the specific area in which the festival or concert is being conducted.

I, Lee Ann O'Connor, the duly authorized Clerk of the City of Rochester do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Rochester City Council on January 21, 2002.