

## National Historic Properties included in this Code of Conduct

	AREAS WHERE DOGS ARE NOT PERMITTED	AREAS WHERE DOGS NEED TO BE KEPT ON A LEAD
ALL OPW HISTORIC PARKS, GARDENS & DESIGNED LANDSCAPES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children's Playgrounds</li> <li>All Cafés &amp; Restaurants</li> <li>Toilets</li> <li>Walled Gardens</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Near Roadways</li> <li>Near Water</li> <li>At All Events</li> </ul>
ST STEPHEN'S GREEN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Playground</li> <li>Lake / Fountains</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Floral Area</li> <li>Flower Beds</li> </ul>
IVEAGH GARDENS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cascade &amp; Fountain</li> <li>Rose Garden</li> <li>Maze</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of the Site</li> </ul>
NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL GARDENS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fountains</li> <li>Rose Garden</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Lawns</li> </ul>
GRANGEGORMAN MILITARY CEMETERY		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of the Site</li> </ul>
ARBOUR HILL CEMETERY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1916 Grave Plot</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of the Site</li> </ul>
PHOENIX PARK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ashtown Walled Garden</li> <li>Playgrounds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People's Gardens</li> <li>Visitor Centre Complex</li> <li>Where deer are in close proximity</li> <li>Close to horse trekking</li> <li>Cycle lanes</li> </ul>
ROYAL HOSPITAL KILMAINHAM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Formal Walled Garden</li> <li>Bully's Acre</li> <li>Officer's Graveyard</li> </ul>	
NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDENS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of the site</li> </ul>	
St. ENDA'S PARK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walled Garden</li> <li>Café Courtyard</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of the site</li> </ul>
RATHFARNHAM CASTLE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Courtyard outside Café</li> <li>Steps and portico outside front door</li> </ul>
GARDEN of REMEMBRANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of the Site</li> </ul>	
CASTLETOWN HOUSE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Courtyard Café</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of the Site</li> </ul>

Note: DOGS MUST BE KEPT UNDER CONTROL AT ALL TIMES. GUIDE DOGS ARE PERMITTED IN ALL AREAS.

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# CODE of CONDUCT for DOG OWNERS

at NATIONAL HISTORIC PROPERTIES in THE DUBLIN REGION



## GENERAL

Dogs accompanied by responsible owners\* are welcome at OPW National Historic Properties including Historic Parks, Gardens and designed landscapes. However, there are specific areas where dogs are not permitted or must be kept on a lead (see reverse for details).

Some species – especially ground nesting birds and deer – are sensitive to disturbance by dogs and people. Please pay attention to and observe the signs to protect our wildlife.

*\* 'Owner' means the person responsible for bringing the dog into the park. 'Your dog' means any dog which you have brought into a Park.*

GUIDE DOGS ARE EXEMPT.

## RESTRICTED AREAS WITHIN THE PARKS

There may be times when further temporary restrictions are enforced.

Some examples where we ask for your co-operation are;

- at certain times of the year, deer can become particularly intolerant to intrusion, at rutting or fawning, for example. For your own safety and that of your pet, please observe signage.
- to control the spread of diseases such as foot and mouth. Such restrictions are only imposed after seeking expert advice from appropriate authorities. Signage will be displayed when these special circumstances apply and owners must ensure they comply with instructions.

## DOG FOULING

Dog waste left in the park is unpleasant for other park users, unhygienic and causes serious ecological damage to plant and animal communities. Dog waste should be placed in a tightly sealed bag and taken home or deposited in the normal bins provided. Dog waste can be deposited in any of the Park bins provided. Anyone failing to clean up after their dog may face prosecution.

## KEEPING DOGS UNDER CONTROL

Unruly and noisy dogs can cause disturbance to other park users. Please consider that other park users may not be as fond of dogs, and that some people – especially small children – can find dogs intimidating. Your dog\* should be kept in sight and under control at all times. Permitting your dog to chase, injure or kill any form of wildlife is an offence.

## LOST AND STRAY DOGS

There are no dog compounds in the parks and neither the Gardai nor OPW staff can take animals into their care. If you see a stray dog in a Park you should contact the relevant local authority's dog warden service.

## WALKING MORE THAN ONE DOG

It can be difficult to control a large number of dogs, so as a rule of thumb no-one should be in charge of more than 3 dogs at any one time.

Advice for owners walking more than one dog:

- Keep all dogs in sight.
- Be in full control of your dogs at all times.
- Keep any dog whose obedience cannot be guaranteed on a lead.
- If your dogs are threatening or interfering with wildlife or the enjoyment of other park users, you may be asked to leave the park or face prosecution.

## WE HOPE YOU & YOUR DOG(S) ENJOY OUR NATIONAL HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Thank you for helping us protect our wildlife and ensuring OPW National Historic Properties are a safe and pleasant environment for all our visitors.

## PLEASE REMEMBER

- It is your responsibility to keep your dog under control and to clean up after it. Failure to do so could result in prosecution.
- Always keep your dog(s) in sight.
- Keep the lead handy, you will need it. Please be particularly cautious when walking your dog near cycleways.
- Respect the areas where dogs are not allowed or need to be kept on leads.
- It is an offence to allow your dog to chase or injure birds and other wildlife.

## National Historic Properties CONTACT DETAILS

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- Email: [superintendent.park@opw.ie](mailto:superintendent.park@opw.ie)
- Or contact local park directly.