**Doggie Do's**

- Scoop the poop. It is the owner's responsibility to clean up after their dog.
- Display proper tags and information on dogs at ALL times.
- Avoid dog fights.
- Refrain your dog from barking uncontrollably.
- Remove your dog at the first sign of aggression and report any other aggressive behavior to Park Staff.
- Contact Park Staff immediately if injuries occur and exchange personal information with the other party.

**Doggie Don'ts**

- Don't let your dog dig holes in the bark park. If they do please fill immediately.
- Don't leave your dog unattended in the bark park. If they are left alone for any length of time, your membership will be suspended for one year to both dog parks.
- Don't feed your dog in the park. This includes treats and/or training rewards.
- Don't take your dog off their leash until they have entered the bark park.

**Virginia State Code**

**Recreational User Immunity Clause**

*State Code 15.2-1809* Liability of localities in the operation of parks, recreational facilities, and playgrounds.

No city or town which operates any park recreational facility or playground shall be liable in any civil action or proceeding for damages resulting from any injury to the person or from a loss of or damage to the property of any person caused by any act or omission constituting ordinary negligence on the part of any officer or agent of such city or town in the maintenance or operation of any such park, recreational facility or playground. Every such city or town shall, however, be liable in damages for the gross negligence of any of its officers or agents in the maintenance or operation of any such park, recreational facility, or playground.

The immunity created by this section is hereby conferred upon counties in addition to, and not limiting on, other immunity existing at common law or by statute.

For more information on municipal codes regarding dogs, please view: [www.municode.com](http://www.municode.com)

**Registration Locations**

Parks, Recreation & Leisure Services
Administrative Office
22 Lincoln St. 5th Floor, City Hall

Sandy Bottom Nature Park
1255 Big Bethel Rd.

For more information, please call 757-727-6348
Once a dog has been registered the owner will receive a color dog tag for entrance.

To register dogs must have current proof of:
- Animal registration from area of residence
- Current paperwork of valid Rabies, Parvo, Distemper & Bordetella

 Owners must clean up after their dogs
 Containment bags are on-site
 Puppies must be at least 4 months of age
 Female dogs in heat are prohibited
 Dogs must be accompanied at all times, by an adult at least 18 years of age
 Children must be 12 or older and accompanied by an adult to enter bark park
 Children are not allowed to run with or chase dogs within the park
 The dog park gates should remain closed at all times for the safety of you and your dog
 Owners are legally responsible for any bodily injury and/or property damage caused by their dogs
 We reserve the right to ask aggressive dogs to leave the park and return at a later date

For more information, please call 757-727-6348