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2024

**OFF-LEASH PERMIT FOR COMMERCIAL DOG WALKERS**

The Dog Park Off-Leash Program is optional and allows participants to take their dog(s) off-leash during designated hours at several parks across the City of Newton. Professional Dog Walkers who would like to use the off-leash areas must purchase a Commercial a Dog Walker permit [medallion] and one for each of their employees. A Business Certificate must also be purchased if the business is Newton based.

A Newton Off-Leash Dog License tag is required for each dog who is a client of a Commercial Dog Walker.

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Owners Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Other) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Providing an e-mail is recommended for receiving program updates. We will not share your information.*

Number of Permits [medallions] requested \_\_\_\_\_

FEE:

Commercial Dog Walker Fee: \$250 for first company permit; \$75.00 for each additional permit [medallion].

Non-Newton Commercial Dog Walker Fee: \$350.00; \$100.00 for each additional permit [medallion].

- Dog owners are responsible for registering individual dogs for the off-leash program. Commercial dog walkers must ensure that dogs are properly registered and possess a Newton off-leash dog licensetag.
- Permits for the business must be worn by the walker when taking dogs off-leash. Everyone, including dog walkers, is limited to three off-leash dogs per person at a time while in the park.
- Permits [medallions] may only be used by employees of the business that the permit is issued to. Signed under the penalties of perjury. Signature is required and indicates that the information you have provided is accurate and complete, that you agree to follow program rules and regulations and that you agree to forever release, acquit, discharge and covenant to hold harmless the City of Newton from any and all claims and rights of action or damages as a result of participation in this program.

BUSINESS OWNER'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please include check or money order payable to the City of Newton.**

For questions concerning Business Certificate & Dog Walker Permits, contact City Clerk 617-796-1200. For issues with other dogs, call Animal Control 617- 796-2109. Permits are valid for one year and must be renewed by April 1<sup>st</sup> each year. The fee is not prorated.

City Clerk Use Only

Permit # \_\_\_\_\_

Issued: \_\_\_\_\_

For details regarding Newton Parks/off-leash rules and regulations, contact Parks & Rec. 617-796-1500