

Sec. 70-90. – Animals prohibited.

(a) No person who owns, possesses, or is in control or charge of an animal shall permit such animal to be in or upon any park, beach or public swimming area, except as otherwise provided in this section.

(b) A duly organized club, society or association which has a primary purpose related to the ownership of a designated kind of animal may apply to the director of parks, recreation and cultural services for permission to rent a portion of Pershing Park or Lakeview Park for the purpose of assembling such animals for an animal show. The director shall forward such application, along with his recommendation, to the board of parks, recreation and cultural services commissioners, which may grant authority for persons to bring such animals into the designated park for the purpose of an animal show. A grounds deposit as specified in the department's schedule of fees and charges shall be made at least five days prior to the date of such animal show. The deposit shall be returned within 30 days after the show unless the director finds that the area used was not adequately cleaned. In such event, the deposit shall be forfeited as a clean-up fee and the permittee shall not be eligible to use a city park for such purpose for three years.

(c) At the direction of the director of parks, recreation and cultural services, designated city staff or contractors may bring onto any city park or beach a dog or dogs trained to chase designated birds, for the purpose of chasing such birds from the premises, but only in accordance with the provisions of a permit issued to the city by the state department of natural resources.

(d) A person may, subject to compliance with Municipal Code section 10-71(a) and (b) "Waste product accumulations", have a dog or dogs on leash:

(1) In the area 20 feet easterly of the public right-of-way along Michigan Boulevard from Barker Street to Goold Street and from Romaine Avenue to Melvin Avenue, along Main Street from 14th Street to 17th Street and along Wisconsin Avenue from the North line of 21st Street extended North to a point where the sidewalk ends.

(2) In the following parks: Azarian, Back, Carre-Hogle, Colbert, Crosswalk, Dodge, Erskine, Gaslight Pointe, Harris Plaza, Jonas, Dr. King Plaza, Lee, Maple Grove, Monument Square, Myers, Pierce Dr., Randolph, Reservoir, Riverside, Simonson, Springvale-West, State-Hamilton, Thompson and Wallis.

(3) Root River and Lake Michigan Pathway, ten-foot paved area only, in the following respective parks: N. Owen Davies, Washington, Island, Lincoln, Cedar Bend, Clayton, North Beach, Zoo Beach, and Pershing." (Note: Absolutely no dogs allowed in Colonial Park.)

(4) In Mound and Graceland Cemeteries, paved areas only.

(Code 1973, § 7.05.230; Ord. No. 11-00, pts. 1, 2, 7-19-00; Ord. No. 18-01, pt. 1, 7-5-01; Ord. No. 14-10, pts. 1, 2, 7-28-10)