



THE DOGS ACT 1990

THE DOUGLAS DOG CONTROL BYELAWS 1997

Approved by Tynwald: 19th March 1997

Coming into operation: 1st April 1997

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Department of Local Government and the Environment by Section 24 of, and paragraph 3 of Schedule 2, to the Dogs Act 1990 (a), and of all other enabling powers, and (as respects byelaws 4, 5 and 7 (1)) with the consent of the respective owners of the open spaces in question, the following Byelaws are hereby made:-

Citation and interpretation

1. (1) These Byelaws may be cited as the Douglas Dog Control Byelaws 1997.
- (2) In these Byelaws "the Act" means the Dogs Act 1990.
- (3) References in these Byelaws to the keeper of a dog do not include:-
 - (a) a registered blind person in charge of the dog, or
 - (b) a member of the Isle of Man Constabulary in charge of the dog in the course of his duty.

Penalties

2. Subject to section 24 (2) of the Act, any person guilty of an offence under these Byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £1000.

Fouling of Footways etc,

3. Where any dog fouls any footway or pavement in the area described in Schedule 1, the keeper of the dog shall be guilty of an offence.

Dogs in open space

4. Where any dog is permitted to enter or remain in an open space described in Schedule 2, the keeper of the dog shall be guilty of an offence.

Dogs at large in open space

5. Where any dog is at large in an open space described in Schedule 3, the keeper of the dog shall be guilty of an offence.

(a) 1990 c.16

Dogs fouling or at large on beach

6. Where any dog -
- (a) fouls, or
 - (b) is at large on,

a beach described in Schedule 4 at any time in the months of May, June, July, August and September, the keeper of the dog shall be guilty of an offence.

Removal of canine faeces

7. (1) Where the keeper of a dog fails without reasonable excuse to remove any faeces deposited by the dog on an open space described in Schedule 5, the keeper of the dog shall be guilty of an offence.

(2) For the purposes of this Byelaw -

- (a) faeces shall be taken as removed if they are deposited in a receptacle provided for the purpose in the area or open space by a local or other public authority;
- (b) it shall not be a reasonable excuse that the keeper did not have with him any means of removal of the faeces.

Revocation

8. The Douglas Dog Control Byelaws 1996 are hereby repealed.

Byelaw 3

SCHEDULE 1

AREAS WITHIN WHICH FOULING OF FOOTWAYS ETC. IS PROHIBITED

All pavements or footways within the Borough of Douglas.

Byelaw 4

SCHEDULE 2

OPEN SPACES WHERE DOGS ARE PROHIBITED

The children's play area and "tot-lot" at Nobles's Park
The National Sports Stadium
The children's playground at Hazel Crescent, Pulrose
The children's playground at Barrule Road, Willaston
The children's playground on Loch Promenade
The playgrounds and playing fields at the following schools -
Anagh Coar School
Ballacloan Infants' School
Ballakermeen High School
Ballaquayle Infants' School
Fairfield School
Glencrutchery Special School
Kewaique School
Murray's Road School
Manor Park School
St. Thomas' School
St. Mary's School
St. Ninian's High School (St. Ninian's and Park Road sites)
Saddlestone School (Scoil Vallajeelt)
Willaston School
The playground at Pulrose Pre-school Assessors' Unit and Youth and Community Centre
The playing fields to the east of Tromode Road
The Queens Gardens also known as the Centenary Garden

Byelaw 5

SCHEDULE 3

OPEN SPACES WITHIN WHICH DOGS MAY NOT BE AT LARGE

Noble's Park (except children's play area and "tot-lot")
Hilary Park
Hutchinson's Square
Woodbourne Square
Derby Square
The sunken gardens on Loch Promenade (except children's play area)
Glen Falcon gardens
Villa Marina gardens
Villa Marina bowling green
Pulrose playing fields (except children's play area)
Summerhill Glen
Douglas Head recreation grounds (being the land to which section 204 of the Local Government Consolidation Act 1961 (b) applies)
Nobles's Plot recreation area, Westmoreland Road
The Bowl at King George V Park
Falcon rose gardens
Finch Hill recreation grounds
The grassed area fronting Victoria Crescent and abutting Victoria Road

Byelaw 6

SCHEDULE 4

***BEACHES WHICH DOGS MAY NOT FOUL AND ON WHICH DOGS
MAY NOT BE AT LARGE***

The whole of Douglas beach (including the foreshore) between Pollock rocks and a line drawn at right angles to the sea wall through the southern end of the Manx Electric Railway Terminus at Derby Castle.

Byelaw 7

SCHEDULE 5

OPEN SPACES IN WHICH DOGS' FAECES MUST BE REMOVED

Noble's Park (except children's play area and "tot-lot")
Hilary Park
Hutchinson's Square
Woodbourne Square
Derby Square
The sunken gardens on Loch Promenade (except children's play area)
Glen Falcon gardens
Villa Marina gardens
Villa Marina bowling green
Pulrose playing fields (except children's play area)
Summerhill Glen
Douglas Head recreation grounds (being the land to which section 204 of the Local Government Consolidation Act 1916 applies)
Nobles Plot recreation area, Westmoreland Road
The Bowl at King George V Park
Falcon rose gardens
Finch Hill recreation grounds
The grassed area fronting Victoria Crescent and abutting Victoria Road

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Minister for Local Government and the Environment

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Byelaws)

These Byelaws replace the 1996 Douglas Dog Control Byelaws which are repealed.

These Byelaws impose controls on dogs in certain parts of the borough of Douglas -

- (a) dogs may not foul the pavements or footways described in Schedule 1;
- (b) dogs are prohibited in the open spaces described in Schedule 2, and may not be at large in the open spaces described in Schedule 3;
- (c) dogs may not foul or be at large on the beaches described in schedule 4 in the months of May to September;
- (d) dog faeces must be removed from the open spaces described in Schedule 5.

Contravention is an offence by the keeper of the dog, punishable by a fine of up to £1000.

These Byelaws differ from the 1996 Byelaws by the inclusion of additional areas "the Queens Gardens also known as the Centenary Garden" into Schedule 2 and the "grassed area fronting Victoria Crescent and abutting Victoria Road" - into Schedule 3 and Schedule 5.