

Austin guide to... **DOGS IN OUR CITY**



**Approximately 120,000
dogs live in Austin.
Please be a responsible
caretaker of our four-
legged friends!**

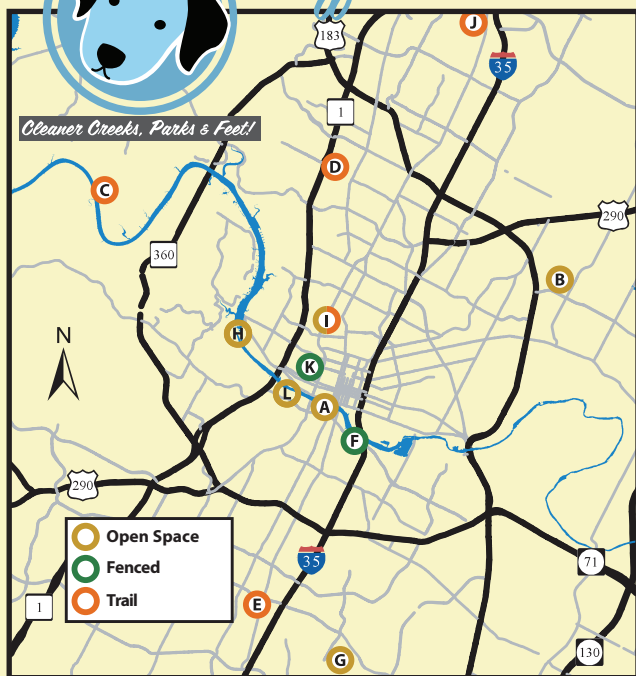
This brochure contains information on:

- Off-Leash Areas
- Animal Regulations
- Etiquette and Safety
- Off-Leash Area Guidelines
- Keeping Austin a No-Kill City
- Resources
- Volunteer Opportunities





Cleaner Creeks, Parks & Feet!



A Auditorium Shores 900 W. Riverside Dr. 78704

B Davis White Northeast District Park 5909 Crystalbrook Dr. 78724

C Turkey Creek Trail at Emma Long Metropolitan Park 1600 City Park Rd. 78730

D Far West ROW between Great Northern Blvd. and Shoal Creek Blvd.

E Mary Moore Searight Off-Leash Trail 907 W. Slaughter Ln. 78748

F Norwood Tract at Town Lake Metropolitan Park IH35 at Riverside Dr. 78704

G Onion Creek District Park 7001 Onion Creek Dr. 78744

H Red Bud Isle 3401 Red Bud Trail 78703

I Shoal Creek Greenbelt 2600-2799 Lamar Blvd. 78705

J Walnut Creek District Park 12138 N. Lamar Blvd 78753

K West Austin Park 1317 W. 10th St. 78703

L Zilker Park The "Great Lawn" 2100 Barton Springs Rd. 78746

Make a donation or volunteer for your favorite off-leash park
www.austinparks.org/offleash.php

ANIMAL REGULATIONS (Austin City Code - Title 3)

- Provide adequate shelter
- Ensure pets have current rabies vaccinations
- Pick up and sanitarily dispose of pet waste left on public or private property
- Confine animals transported in unenclosed vehicles in a manner that prevents the animal from falling or jumping from the vehicle or otherwise being injured
- Keep dogs under restraint, except in designated off-leash areas
- DO NOT leave a dog alone on a chain or tether
- It's unlawful to sell a puppy or kitten that is not spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and microchipped

ETIQUETTE AND SAFETY

- Know your dog's physical limitations and tolerance levels
- Train your dog to respond to behavioral commands
- Train your dog to walk by your side when on-leash. Do not use a retractable leash
- Pay attention to the weather. It doesn't take long for an active dog to overheat, and certain breeds are very susceptible to the heat or the cold
- When you leave home with your dog, bring water

OFF-LEASH AREA (OLA) GUIDELINES

For a complete list, please visit

www.austintexas.gov/departments/leash-areas

- Keep your dog in your sight and under voice control at all times. Intervene in any inappropriate play. Be aware of, pick up, and dispose of your dog's waste
- Stay in the OLA with your dog
- Bring only spayed and neutered dogs into the OLA
- Bring only non-aggressive dogs into the OLA
- Do not bring dogs under four (4) months old into the OLA
- Do not bring children under six (6) years old into the OLA
- Leave your dog's favorite toys at home to discourage problem behavior

KEEPING AUSTIN A NO-KILL CITY

- Please adopt your pets from shelters or rescue groups instead of buying them
- Spay or neuter all of your pets
- Make sure your pets are microchipped and wear a current ID tag
- Make a lifetime commitment to your pets
- Volunteer, foster, or donate to a shelter or rescue group

Resources:


Austin Parks and Recreation


Services include: Park services, educational materials, pet waste bag dispenser refills and more

Call 3-1-1

www.austintexas.gov/department/parks-and-recreation

www.austintexas.gov/department/leash-areas

 *Austin Parks and Recreation Department*

 *Off Leash Area Advisory Committee*

Austin Animal Services

Services include: Lost and homeless animal sheltering and adoption; community animal control and protection; educational programs and resources for responsible pet ownership; volunteer, foster, and partnership opportunities

Call 3-1-1

www.austinanimalcenter.org

 *Austin Animal Services*

Scoop the Poop and Watershed Protection

Services include: Pet waste problems, water quality protection, and more

Call 3-1-1

www.ScoopThePoopAustin.org

 *Austin Watershed*

www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Watershed/growgreen/fleas.pdf
(least-toxic solutions for flea problems)

Volunteer Opportunities:

Pet fostering –

www.austintexas.gov/department/foster-care

Animal Shelter –

www.austintexas.gov/department/volunteer

Adopt a Park program –

www.austinparks.org/adopt.html

Park cleanups and improvements –

www.austinparks.org & www.keepaustinbeautiful.org

