
**Dog policy, bylaw and
regional park access rules 2025**

WRITTEN FEEDBACK

**Aotea/Great Barrier Local Board
Volume One**

Sub #	Organisation Name
-------	-------------------

No organisation feedback in this volume



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#347

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Matakaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1269

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

I don't know

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don't know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

I want to say that sadly whatever changes you make there will always be a minority who don't care less and allow their dogs to wander here on Aotea. My dog has been attacked twice on Aotea by wandering dogs. Dogs can't read the no access signs

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other

areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Matakaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1748

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

When people have multiple off leash dogs at once it becomes harder for them to control them, also if you are walking one single dog it puts your single dog in a vulnerable position

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Council needs to come up with a good vetting system when using any private dog trainer to determine this as a lot of dog trainers are unaware of what a true aggressive or menacing dog is. they could classify a dog menacing by misreading its behavior and reasons for biting someone. the people who own the dog should also be classified as to if they are fit for looking after a menacing dog

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why**Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):**

Support

Tell us why**Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:**

Support

Tell us why**Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):**

Support

Tell us why**Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):**

I don't know

Tell us why**Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:**

Support

Tell us why**Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?****Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?**

the table that was created and the information supplied to help make it clear about the proposed dog access rules changes were not very clear at all. it was quite hard to follow and hard to understand using some of the landmarks. please have someone from the public read these before they are published so that people can make sense of them.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Hunua Ranges Regional Park, Shakespear Regional Park, Tāwharanui Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

i don't agree with not allowing the dogs to stay at campgrounds

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other

areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2392

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Dog access is continually reduced, so much so that it is getting difficult to find dog off leash areas. This means that the dog off leash areas are getting crowded resulting in a lot less enjoyment while exercising your dog.

The criteria for setting dog access rules needs to include something from a dog owners perspective, and not just the anti-dog team.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

I don't know

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don't know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

Include a fair ratio of dog owners in the policy making team

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mātaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this time and no changes will be made on any location you identify in this section as part of this proposal.

Only provide feedback on one location at a time.

Space is provided for three locations. If you would like to provide feedback on more than three locations, please copy the following pages or include your comments in the other feedback section.

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Pah Beach

What local board area is this location in?

Aotea/Great Barrier

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to opportunities for greater dog access without impacting other users (e.g. an area to take a dog under control off a leash). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Increase the area to take a dog under control off leash

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

There are very few off leash areas on Aotea now. Pah beach is 50% off leash, yet it is probably the one beach where a dog off leash would have little impact on other users as mainly boaties use it.



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2952

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Human enjoyment of public spaces should take priority over animals. There are lots of places I will not visit now due to the amount of out of control dogs around

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Most dog owners I encounter seem to think they are the ones that decide what the rules are for the control of their animals.

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Because we do not need more menacing animals, I have children and I do not feel we are safe in some public areas due to the lack of control of dogs by owners and the types of dog they decide to own

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

I have noticed that the amount of dogs over the past few years in my area has grown significantly, I find myself increasingly being bothered by dogs coming on to my property as well as in public. Local dog owners that have constant complaints about their animals are still breeding their dogs.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Most dog owners don't seem to understand the responsibility's that go with owning a dog. It needs to be made a lot clearer and enforced

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

With the increasing numbers of dogs being kept as pets there needs to be more clarity and enforcement of dog ownership rules in public. I would really enjoy a lot more public areas that were dog free or leash only. I don't think barking, dog faeces, getting my towel pissed on or having a confrontation with dog owners over their pets rights to do whatever they please should be a regular and increasingly common experience, or that I should avoid going to public places because dogs seemingly have more of a right to enjoy the space than me.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Matakaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this time and no changes will be made on any location you identify in this section as part of this proposal.

Only provide feedback on one location at a time.

Space is provided for three locations. If you would like to provide feedback on more than three locations, please copy the following pages or include your comments in the other feedback section.

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Great Barrier Island

What local board area is this location in?

Aotea/Great Barrier

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To reduce owner-related problems (e.g. owner ignoring rules, dogs not under control, dog faeces not picked up, etc). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

All of the above

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

A significant portion of dog owners ignore the rules about control of their dogs in this location.

It is becoming normal to avoid certain locations due the amount of dogs and their noise and waste not being disposed of

They shouldn't be allowed in regional parks



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#3075

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Given the variation in competency of managing multiple dogs the changes will be good for dogs and the public

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

While the reform is welcomed, obviously unless Auckland Council have the resources to police the rules, irresponsible dog owners will continue to flout existing laws and the new laws.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Shakespear Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Less likelihood of dog attacks -people, wildlife.

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mātaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why**Whakanewha Regional Park**

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this time and no changes will be made on any location you identify in this section as part of this proposal.

Only provide feedback on one location at a time.

Space is provided for three locations. If you would like to provide feedback on more than three locations, please copy the following pages or include your comments in the other feedback section.

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Orewa Beach

What local board area is this location in?

Rodney

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to increased presence of wildlife (e.g. ground nesting birds). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Location 2:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Manly Beach

What local board area is this location in?

Rodney

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Change the current rule to allow dogs under control on a leash

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

Entire location

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Entire locationAll of these and protection of the dottrellsEntire location

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Location 3:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

What local board area is this location in?

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

To reduce owner-related problems (e.g. owner ignoring rules, dogs not under control, dog faeces not picked up, etc). Please specify:

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Yes, current rules are not being policed. Will new rules make any difference to irresponsible dog owners knowing that they can do whatever they like without any penalty



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#3306

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

I don't know

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don't know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mātaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4982

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Hi there,, as a registered breeder of pure bred Tibetan Terriers I believe not all dogs have a drive to hunt or be aggressive and as a responsible dog owner if any dog shows that behaviour yes it should be kept on a lead and in some cases muzzled, Auckland has a lot of irresponsible owners and maybe we should have to get an annual licence that we should have to pass and produce if any incidents arise, I have 5 tibetans that have been brought up with love and attention in the right environment I am very happy to let my dogs off lead and also am aware when to put them on lead

Thank you

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other

areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4988

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don't know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mātaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this time and no changes will be made on any location you identify in this section as part of this proposal.

Only provide feedback on one location at a time.

Space is provided for three locations. If you would like to provide feedback on more than three locations, please copy the following pages or include your comments in the other feedback section.

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Great Barrier Island

What local board area is this location in?

Aotea/Great Barrier

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

Other - please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Changing access rules on beaches. Allow on lead dogs on more beaches across Aotea.

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

I think all/more beach's should be accessible to walk dogs on a leash. If the dog is on a short leash and being walked along a beach they will be doing no harm to wildlife or other dogs and people. Must be on leash obviously on these beaches. This will re



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#6780

Note: this version of the feedback form has been created for the purpose of publishing submissions. As such, name, contact and demographic information has been removed and handwritten submissions have been transcribed.

Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Aotea/Great Barrier

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

The public feedback form was separated into four sections:

1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

What are the errors in Policy Schedule 2? I don't know and there for cannot make an informed decision.

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

What would the changes be? I support the protection of sacred sights, but what would that protection be m

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

Legal documents are hard to understand for most people so I support 'clarifying' elements of the dog laws and bylaws, but with caution as I am concerned what could be included within the attempment to clarify.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens, Hunua Ranges Regional Park, Shakespear Regional Park, Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Only change the off-leash area to north of the rose gardens before 10am and after 5pm (on-leash between 10am and 5pm)

Tell us why

I disagree with point 2b, (at the discretion of the council), as I believe it should be open to public review (as it is currently). I prefer the alternative option listed above as I believe it is more balanced.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

I agree with some of the ideas above, my concern is if you remove access for dogs and mountain bikes where are people going to ride with their dogs. If you are restricting access in one area can you not compensate in another area. I understand and support dogs being prohibited during lambing season BUT PLEASE PROVIDE ADEQUATE NOTIFICATION of when this is. Most of us are so far removed from any kind of farming we have no idea when lambing season is. Regarding picnic areas, if people want to go on a picnic with their dog where are they supposed to go? Schedule 1, rule b is why I don't go camping.

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

The map looks confusing, and from what I can understand I think the areas mentioned are nesting sites, so I support on a leash.

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Matakaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

I SUPPORT schedules 1-3, but can on leash be considered for some areas of 4.1 & 4.2?

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

I am an animal lover and dog owner. I want to be able to walk and take my dogs places they will enjoy, and I also want to protect bird nesting sites and so forth. That's where the council come in. Can you please provide safe places for my dogs and family