

**CITY OF SHEBOYGAN
ORDINANCE 23-24-25**

BY ALDERPERSONS DEKKER AND RAMEY.

OCTOBER 21, 2024.

AN ORDINANCE amending section 8-16 of the Sheboygan Municipal Code so as to expand beach access for pets.

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHEBOYGAN DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: AMENDMENT “Sec 8-16 Pets Prohibited In Parks And On Public Grounds Except In Designated Areas; Regulations” of the Sheboygan Municipal Code is hereby *amended* as follows:

AMENDMENT

Sec 8-16 Pets Prohibited In Parks And On Public Grounds Except In Designated Areas; Regulations

- (a) Pets are prohibited in all city parks, beaches or other public grounds, except in areas designated by the common council and posted by the superintendent of parks as either off-leash or on-leash areas, or in areas designated by the common council for the training or showing of pets.
- (b) *Designated off-leash areas.* Unleashed pets shall be allowed at the following locations, provided that they are at all times under immediate control, such as by voice command of the owner or other person physically capable of restraining the pet:
 - (1) Lakeview Park Beach area delineated by the superintendent of parks with signage;
 - (2) City-owned property east of Lakeshore Road (County LS) north of the Pigeon River, within the Pigeon River Environmental Corridor;
 - (3) City-owned property on the northwest corner of the intersection of Center Avenue and North 9th Street;
 - (4) The Sheboygan Dog Run Park located at 4108 South 18th Street.
 - (5) The beach area north of North Point Overlook between the Sheboygan Water Utility facility and the Wisconsin Maritime Historical Marker.
- (c) *On-leash areas.*
 - (1) Pets shall be allowed at the following locations: provided they are restrained by a substantial leash or chain not exceeding eight feet in length, or a retractable leash not exceeding 15 feet in length in the hands of a person directly controlling the movement of the animal. Pets are not allowed within 20 feet of playground and splash pad areas or in park shelters and buildings:

- a. Lakeview Park;
- b. North Point Park, north of the northernmost jetty;
- c. North Point overlook pedestrian path;
- d. The city's urban recreational trails;
- e. City-owned Green Wing Drive retention ponds;
- f. The city-owned green space area adjacent to Fisherman's Creek on the south side of Camelot Boulevard between 1211 and 1411 Camelot Boulevard;
- g. Area 8 of Kiwanis Park unless off-leash signage applies;
- h. Evergreen Park;
 - i. Jaycee Park excluding the Quarry Beach area;
 - j. Jaycee Park to Mill Road along the Pigeon River Corridor;
- k. Moose Park unless off-leash signage applies;
 - l. Cleveland Park unless off-leash signage applies;
- m. Any City-owned property when requested as part of a special event. Requests shall be submitted with the special events application and approval may be given by the director of public works in his or her discretion. A copy of the written approval shall be maintained by the event organizer throughout the event when a pet is onsite and shall be presented to law enforcement upon request. Law enforcement may revoke permission if the pets create a disturbance.

- (d) Any person owning or having charge, custody, care or control of a pet who shall permit the pet to be present in any of the prohibited areas or in any of the designated areas in violation of the provisions of this section shall be subject to penalty as provided in section 8-4.
- (e) Any person owning or having charge, custody, care or control of a pet in a designated off-leash or on-leash area who fails to clean up the pet's feces shall be subject to a forfeiture of \$125.00, together with the costs of prosecution, and in default of payment thereof, imprisonment in the county jail until such forfeiture and costs are paid, but not to exceed 30 days.
- (f) The superintendent of parks shall post areas designated as off-leash and on-leash areas where pets are allowed, shall post the forfeiture amount for violations for subsection (e) above, and shall supply waste receptacles for the public's use in complying with the requirements of subsection (e) above.
- (g) This section shall not apply to police dogs.

(Code 1997, § 18-15; Ord. No. 78-01-02, § 2, 2-4-2002; Ord. No. 35-03-04, § 1, 10-20-2003; Ord. No. 100-05-06, § 1, 5-15-2006; Ord. No. 77-06-07, § 1, 2-19-2007)

SECTION 2: REPEALER CLAUSE All ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 3: EFFECTIVE DATE This Ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage and publication according to law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SHEBOYGAN COMMON COUNCIL

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Presiding Officer

Attest

Ryan Sorenson, Mayor, City of
Sheboygan

Meredith DeBruin, City Clerk, City of
Sheboygan