

Incident Reporting and Resolution Protocol

Member Responsibilities

By attending orientation and completing the registration process, all members have committed to adhering to the Doylestown Dog Park rules. To best ensure that the dog park remains the safe and enjoyable place intended, it is important all members continue to be advocates and followers of the park rules and to report incidents they have witnessed.

The Doylestown Dog Park rules are in place to protect members and their dogs while also striving to provide an enjoyable experience for both dogs and owners while at the Doylestown Dog Park. At all times, safety is paramount.

For all incidents and/or infractions that warrant incident reporting, please complete an Incident Report form providing all pertinent information relative to the occurrence. Please do not forget to provide your email address so that we may contact you to follow-up.

Incident Resolution Protocol

Human Infractions (any member who chooses to disregard the dog park rules):

- Level 1 (first incident): Warning or dependent upon severity or number of infractions, level 2 consequences may be imposed. *Infractions requiring Level 2 consequences include not using your key fob for entry, entering via the exit gate, letting someone else in using your key fob, and unauthorized parking in the handicap designated areas.*
- Level 2 (second incident): The key fob will be turned off immediately and the member must register and re-attend orientation. The key fob will remain deactivated and membership suspended until orientation has been completed and certificate of attendance submitted to the Township.
- Level 3 (third incident): Suspension or termination of membership dependent upon severity or number of infractions as determined by recommendation of the Dog Park Advisory Board and final decision of the township.

Dog Fights/Bites:

- If a member's dog is involved in an incident involving aggressive behavior one and/or all involved parties will have key fob use suspended pending investigation.
- All parties must submit an incident report. Witness statements will be solicited.
- If determined that a specific dog initiated aggression with intent to cause harm and/or caused physical harm to another dog/human, membership will be terminated.
- Appeals must be submitted in writing and will be scheduled for review at a regular DPAB meeting.
- Members determined to be free of fault will have their renewal date extended for the same period of time the key fob had been de-activated for incident aggression.
- In the event of a serious dog fight in which harm is caused either to dog or owner the police will be notified and the incident will be handled in accordance with PA Dog Law.