# Dog Off-leash Area Etiquette

This off-leash area is a great place for both you and your dog to socialise, but please consider the following tips to ensure the area remains enjoyable and safe for all.

## **Arriving**

Remove the leash, but keep your dog by your side and assess the mood of the dogs present before letting your dog enter the area of activity.

#### Socialising

Your dog should be supervised at all times. It should be well-socialised and able to respond to basic commands e.g. 'come', 'sit', stay' and 'drop it'.

It's important you understand your dog's nature and how they interact with other dogs. Are they an 'instigator', 'moderator' or 'target'?

If your dog acts inappropriately, please consider leaving the dog park. If another dog is acting inappropriately, speak to the owner. If they do not control their dog, please remove your dog and encourage other dog owners to do the same. Safety comes first!

Be considerate of neighbours and control excessive barking.

#### Hygiene

Ensure your dog is regularly immunised and wormed and always scoop up your dog's waste immediately and place it in the bin provided.

### Leaving

Put your dog back on its leash before leaving the off-leash area and enjoy your walk home together.

Please note owners (or handlers over 16 years) are legally responsible for their dog's behaviour at all times. (Companion Animals Act, 1998)

For more information: northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

Contact Northern Beaches Council for reserve maintenance and dog related matters on 1300 434 434.

In case of emergency dial 000 for emergency services.

The nearest cross street is Barrenjoey Road and Central Road, Avalon

