# THE CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 2005

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties, etc.) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/1059).

## THE FOULING OF LAND BY DOGS (ROCHFORD) ORDER 2008

The Rochford District Council (in this Order called "the Council") makes the following Order:-

- 1 This Order comes into force on the day of 2008.
- 2 This Order applies to the land specified in the Schedule.

#### Offence

- 3 (1) If a dog defecates at any time on land to which this Order applies and a person who is in charge of the dog at that time fails to remove the faeces from the land forthwith, that person shall be guilty of an offence unless:-
  - (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
  - (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his failing to do so.
  - (2) Nothing in this article applies to a person who:-
    - (a) is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under Section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948; or
    - (b) has a disability which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical coordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects, in respect of a dog trained by a prescribed charity and upon which he relies for assistance.
  - (3) For the purposes of this article:-
    - (a) a person who habitually has a dog in his possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog;
    - (b) placing the faeces in a receptacle on the land which is provided for the purpose, or for the disposal of waste, shall be a sufficient removal from the land;

- (c) being unaware of the defecation (whether by reason of not being in the vicinity or otherwise), or not having a device for or other suitable means of removing the faeces shall not be a reasonable excuse for failing to remove the faeces;
- (d) each of the following is a "prescribed charity":-
  - (i) Dogs for the Disabled (registered charity number 700454)
  - (ii) Support Dogs (registered charity number 1088281)
  - (iii) Canine Partners for Independence (registered charity number 803680)

### Penalty

4 A person who is guilty of an offence under article 3 shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

### (Date)

The COMMON SEAL of the)ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL was)Hereunto affixed this)Day of2008 in the presence of:))

## Head of Legal Services

### Schedule

- 1. Subject to the exception in paragraph 2 below, all land which is in the administrative area of the Council and which is
  - (i) open to the air (which includes land that is covered by open to the air on at least one side) and
  - (ii) to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access with or without payment.

2. Excepted from the description in paragraph 1 above is land that is placed at the disposal of the Forestry Commissioners under section 39(1) of the Forestry Act 1967.

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## THE DOGS EXCLUSION (ROCHFORD) ORDER 2008

The Rochford District Council hereby makes the following Order:

- 1 This Order comes into force on the day of 2008.
- 2 This Order applies to the land specified in the Schedule.

#### Offence

- 3 (1) A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, he takes the dog onto, or permits the dog to enter or to remain on, any land to which this Order applies unless:-
  - (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
  - (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his doing so.
  - (2) Nothing in this article applies to a person who-
    - (a) is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under Section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948; or
    - (b) is deaf, in respect of a dog trained by Hearing Dogs for Deaf People (registered charity number 293358) and upon which he relies for assistance; or
    - (c) has a disability which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical co-ordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects, in respect of a dog trained by a prescribed charity and upon which he relies for assistance.
  - (3) For the purpose of this article:-
    - (a) a person who habitually has a dog in his possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog: and
    - (b) each of the following is a 'prescribed charity':-
      - (i) dogs for the Disabled (registered charity number 700454)

- (ii) support dogs (registered charity number 1088281)
- (iii) Canine Partners for Independence (registered charity number 803680)

### Penalty

4 A person who is guilty of an offence under article 3 shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

(Date)

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All land within the Council's administrative area comprising any enclosed children's play space. Without prejudice to the foregoing, this shall include the enclosed children's play spaces which are situated within following areas:-

King George's PF, Ashingdon Road, Rochford Playstalls, Off Little Wakering Road, Wakering Canewdon Recreation Ground, Althorne Way, Canewdon Rowan Way, Canewdon Great Wakering Recreation Ground, High Street, Wakering Seaview Drive, Wakering Morrins Close, Wakering Glebe Close, Wakering Conway Avenue, Wakering Clements Hall Recreation Ground, Park Gardens, Hawkwell Hawkwell Common, Hawkwell Magnolia Nature Park, Rectory Road, Hawkwell Hockley Woods, Main Road, Hockley Laburnum Grove, Hockley Betts Wood, Westminster Drive, Hockley Plumberow Mount Avenue, Hockley Hullbridge PF, Pooles Lane, Hullbridge Rawreth PF, Rawreth Lane, Rayleigh Fairview PF, Victoria Road, Rayleigh

Grove Recreation Ground, Grove Road, Rayleigh Sweyne Park, Rayleigh St John Fisher PF, Little Wheatley Chase, Rayleigh Causton Way, Rayleigh Boston Avenue, Rayleigh Hartford Close, Rayleigh Fyfield Path, Rayleigh Elsenham Court, Rayleigh King George's PF, Bull Lane, Rayleigh Bedford Close, Rayleigh Warwick Drive/Sutton Court Drive, Rochford Rochford Recreation Ground, Stambridge Road, Rochford

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### THE DOGS ON LEADS (ROCHFORD) ORDER 2008

The Rochford District Council hereby makes the following Order:

- 1 This Order comes into force on the day of 2008.
- 2 This Order applies to the land specified in the Schedule.

#### Offence

- 3 (1) A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, on any land to which this Order applies he does not keep the dog on a lead, unless:-
  - (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
  - (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his failing to do so.
  - (2) For the purposes of this article a person who habitually has a dog in his possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog.

#### Penalty

4 A person who is guilty of an offence under article 3 shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

#### (Date)

The COMMON SEAL of the)ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL was)Hereunto affixed this)Day of2008 in the presence of:))

Head of Legal Services

### Schedule

- 1. Subject to the exemption in paragraph 2 below, each and every length of road (which term includes pavements or footways) in the Rochford District except public footpaths and bridleways.
- 2. Excepted from the description in paragraph 1 above is land that is placed at the disposal of the Forestry Commissioners under section 39(1) of the Forestry Act 1967.

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### THE DOGS ON A LEAD BY DIRECTION (ROCHFORD) ORDER 2008

The Rochford District Council hereby makes the following Order:

- 1 This Order comes into force on the day of 2008.
- 2 This Order applies to the land specified in the Schedule.
- 3 In this Order 'an authorised officer of the Authority' means an employee of the Authority who is authorised in writing by the Authority for the purpose of giving directions under this Order.

#### Offence

- 4 (1) A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, on any land to which this Order applies, he does not comply with a direction given him by an authorised officer of the Authority to put and keep the dog on a lead, unless:-
  - (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
  - (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his failing to do so.
  - (2) For the purposes of this article -
    - (a) a person who habitually has a dog in his possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog.
    - (b) An authorised officer of the Authority may only give a direction under this Order to put and keep a dog on a lead if such restraint is reasonably necessary to prevent a nuisance or behaviour by the dog likely to cause annoyance or disturbance to any other person (on any land to which this Order applies) or the worrying or disturbance or any animal or bird.

#### Penalty

5 A person who is guilty of an offence under article 3 shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

(Date)

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Head of Legal Services

### Schedule

- 1. Subject to the exemption in paragraph 2 below, all land which is in the administrative area of the Council and which is
  - (iii) open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to the air on at least one side) and
  - (iv) to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access with or without payment.
- 2. Excepted from the description in paragraph 1 above is land that is placed at the disposal of the Forestry Commissioners under section 39(1) of the Forestry Act 1967.

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## THE DOGS (SPECIFIED MAXIMUM) (ROCHFORD) ORDER 2008

The Rochford District Council hereby makes the following Order:

- 1. This Order comes into force on day of 2008.
- 2. This Order applies to the land specified in the Schedule.
- **3.** On land to which this Order applies, the maximum number of dogs which a person may take onto that land is four.

#### Offence

- **4.** (1) A person in charge of more than one dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, he takes onto any land in respect of which this Order applies more than the maximum number of dogs specified in article 3 of this Order, unless-
  - (a) he has a reasonable excuse for doing so; or
  - (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his doing so.
  - (2) For the purposes of this article a person who habitually has a dog in his possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog.

#### Penalty

**5.** A person who is guilty of an offence under article 4 shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

(Date)

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#### Schedule

- 1. Subject to the exemption in paragraph 2 below, all land which is in the administrative area of the Council and which is
  - (iii) open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to the air on at least one side) and
  - (iv) to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access with or without payment.
- 2. Excepted from the description in paragraph 1 above is land that is placed at the disposal of the Forestry Commissioners under section 39(1) of the Forestry Act 1967.

### **Results from Public Consultation Oct 2007 - Executive Summary**

- The public survey was available on the internet between 24 August and the closing date was 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2007.
- The RDM questionnaires were circulated with closing date was 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2007.
- 27.71% of the surveyed residents who completed the RDM questionnaire was a dog owner, in contrast 78.37% of those who took part in the internet consultation were a dog owners.

The full results are shown below:-

Question	RDM	Website	
Do you own or look after a dog?			
Yes			
Number	480	223	
Percent	27.71%	72.40%	
No			
Number	1210	73	
Percent	69.86%	23.70%	
No answer			
Number	42	12	
Percent	2.42%	3.90%	
Total	1732	308	
Do you believe dogs should alway	ys be kept on leads in the follo	owing	
locations?			
Shopping precincts?			
Yes			
Number	1696	295	
Percent	97.92%	95.78%	
No			
Number	23	12	
Percent	1.33%	3.90%	
No answer			
Number	13	1	
Percent	0.75%	0.32%	
Large parks?			
Yes			
Number	742	18	
Percent	42.84%	5.84%	
No			
Number	928	290	
Percent	53.58%	94.16%	

Question	RDM	Website
No answer		
Number	62	0
Percent	3.58%	0
Parks and other amenity green areas?		
Yes		
Number	848	17
Percent	48.96%	5.52%
No		
Number	827	289
Percent	47.75%	93.83%
No answer		
Number	57	2
Percent	3.29%	0.65%
On footpaths adjacent to any road?		
Yes		
Number	1629	258
Percent	94.05%	83.77%
No		
Number	87	49
Percent	5.02%	15.91%
No answer		
Number	16	1
Percent	0.92%	0.32%
On footpaths adjacent to roads with a speed limit of 40mph or over?		
Yes		
Number	1646	283
Percent	95.03%	91.88%
No		
Number	51	23
Percent	2.94%	7.47%
No answer		
Number	35	2
Percent	2.02%	0.65%
Do you think dogs should be banned altogether from		
areas?		J
Shopping Precincts?		
Yes		
Number	894	62
Percent	51.62%	20.13%
No		
Number	794	245
Percent	45.84%	79.55%
No answer		
Number	44	1

Percent	2.54%	0.32%
Question	RDM	Website
Large parks?		
Yes		
Number	228	0
Percent	13.16%	0
No Number	1427	307
Percent	82.39%	99.68%
No answer		
Number	77	1
Percent	4.45%	0.32%
Parks and other amenity green areas?		
Yes		
Number	359	3
Percent	20.73%	0.97%
No		
Number	1304	304
Percent	75.29%	98.70%
No answer Number	69	1
Percent	3.98%	0.32%
Children's play areas in parks?		
Yes		
Number	1583	225
Percent	91.40%	73.05%
No	104	01
Number Percent	124   7.16%	81 26.30%
No answer	7.1070	20.0070
Number	25	2
Percent	1.44%	0.65%
Do you think that there should be a limit of	on the number of dogs	that a
person can walk at any time?		1
Yes	1336	150
Number Percent	77.14%	48.70%
No		
Number	344	157
Percent	19.86%	50.97
No answer		
Number	52	1

Percent	3.00%	0.32%
If so, what do you think the maximum number should		
be?		
Question	RDM	Website
1		
Number	116	27
Percent	9.16%	18.75%
2		
Number	783	32
Percent	61.80%	22.22%
3		
Number	238	58
Percent	18.78%	40.28%
4		
Number	112	9
Percent	8.84%	6.25%
5		
Number	9	16
Percent	0.71%	11.11%
6		
Number	8	1
Percent	0.63%	0.69%
20		
Number	1	1
Percent	0.08%	0.69%
Total	1267	144
Do you think that there is a problem in Rochford as a r	esult of:-	1
Dog fouling?		
Yes		
Number	1096	87
Percent	63.28%	28.25%
No		
Number	535	214
Percent	30.89%	69.48%
No answer	101	_
Number	101	7
Percent	5.83%	2.27%
Stray dogs?		
Yes		
Number	117	22
Percent	6.76%	7.14%
No		
Number	1369	277
Percent	79.04%	89.94%
No answer		
Number	246	9

Percent	14.20%	2.92%	
Aggressive dogs			
Yes			
Number	266	26	
Percent	15.36%	8.44%	
Question	RDM	Website	
No	1203	274	
Number Percent	69.46%	88.96%	
No answer			
Number	263	8	
Percent	15.18%	2.60%	
Under current legislation it is an offence not to clean up after a dog has			
fouled in any public place in any part of Rochford other than in			
woodland			
Do you agree with this?			
Yes			
Number	1648	298	
Percent	95.15%	96.75%	
No			
Number	69	10	
Percent	3.98%	3.25%	
No answer			
Number	15	0	
Percent	0.87%	0	