

# ADK DOGS ON THE TRAIL

Quick-Reference Rules & Etiquette Guide for Dog Owners



## #128062; LEASH REQUIREMENTS

New York State law applies across ALL Adirondack public lands.



### All trails & campgrounds

Dogs must be on a leash no longer than 6 feet at all times.



### State campsites

Leash required throughout the campground. Tied dogs must be supervised.



### Wilderness areas

Same 6-foot leash rule — no off-leash hiking anywhere in the park.



### Dog Day Use Areas

Select beaches and picnic areas permit dogs on-leash. Verify before arriving.



### High Peaks Wilderness

6-foot leash strictly enforced. Rangers actively patrol popular trails.



### Roads & parking areas

Leash required even in parking lots and roadside pull-offs.

## #9968; TRAIL ETIQUETTE

Keeping the trail pleasant for all hikers, dogs, and wildlife.



### Yield to other hikers

Step to the side, shorten leash, and let hikers pass calmly on narrow trails.



### Waste — pack it out

Carry biodegradable bags. ALL dog waste must be bagged and packed out. No exceptions.



### Water sources

Keep dogs out of streams and lakes others use for drinking water (even with filter).



### Wildlife encounters

Keep dog close and quiet. An excited dog can disrupt nesting birds and stressed wildlife.



### Warn approaching hikers

Call out "dog on trail" so others (especially dog-fearful people) can prepare.

## WHAT TO PACK FOR YOUR DOG (per day on trail)

- 6-foot leash (required)
- Poop bags (x5 minimum)
- Dog water & collapsible bowl
- Dog first aid supplies
- ID tag with phone number
- Proof of rabies vaccination