

**TOWNSHIP OF CHESTERFIELD
ORDINANCE 2022-7**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHESTERFIELD AMENDING CHAPTER
146 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHESTERFIELD TO ESTABLISH
RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATED TO THE DOG PARK, ADDING
PICKLEBALL COURTS TO THE EXISTING SECTION ESTABLISHED FOR TENNIS
COURTS, AND AMENDING CONDUCT AND PROHIBITED ACTS**

WHEREAS, the Township of Chesterfield maintains and operates an area for use as a dog park which has been specifically set aside for containment of K9 pets where being off-leash in the public domain is permitted, and

WHEREAS, the Chesterfield Township Chief of Police has expressed concerns related to questionable use of the dog park, and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chesterfield has determined that it is necessary to create rules and regulations related to the safe and efficient use of the dog park, and

WHEREAS, there exists a need to add Pickleball Courts as an amenity in the Township and to address certain activities that are forbidden within the confines of Tennis and Pickleball Courts,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED as follows:

Article I. New Section

The Code of the Township of Chesterfield is hereby amended by adding Chapter 146, Section 1.3 to be entitled: Dog Park Rules and Regulations and to add the following provisions as sub-sections;

- A. Dogs must be leashed while entering and exiting the dog park.
- B. Aggressive or uncontrollable dogs are prohibited from the dog park.
- C. Dog handlers must remain inside the dog park, in control of their dog the entire time the animal is in the dog park, and shall have a leash readily available.
- D. Dogs must be under voice control and handlers shall not rely on electronic control measures while inside the dog park.
- E. Dog handlers are responsible to immediately clean up after their dog.
- F. Dog handlers must be at least 16 years of age.
- G. Children under 13 years of age must be accompanied by an adult and supervised at all times.
- H. No human food, dog food or treats are permitted inside the dog park.
- I. No glass containers are permitted inside the dog park.
- J. Dogs under 4 months of age are not permitted inside the dog park.
- K. Dogs known to be ill or displaying symptoms of illness as well as dogs in heat are prohibited from the dog park.

XArticle II. Amended Section

Chapter 146-1.1 of the Code of the Township of Chesterfield titled Tennis Court Rules and Regulations is hereby renamed as Tennis and Pickleball Court Rules and Regulations; and any reference to tennis courts within Chapter 146-1.1 shall be amended to read “tennis courts and pickleball courts”.

Article III. Amended Section

Chapter 146-2 of the Code of the Township of Chesterfield titled Conduct and Prohibited Acts is hereby amended to include a new sub-section 146-2.P which shall read as follows.

Allow a dog or other pet to enter upon any field of play whether enclosed or not on which organized sports or sporting events including practice sessions or similar activities are carried out by the public.

Article IV. REPEALER, SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE

- A. Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- B. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Committee hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.
- C. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Introduced: April 14, 2022

Adopted: April 28, 2022

RECORD OF VOTE ORDINANCE 2022-7													
INTRODUCTION							ADOPTION						
TWP COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	NV	AB	ORD	SEC	TWP COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	NV	AB	ORD	SEC
Blazic	X						Blazic	X					
Koetas-Dale	X						Koetas-Dale	X					X
Liedtka	X				X		Liedtka	X					
Russo	X					X	Russo	X				X	
Panfili	X						Panfili				X		
X – Indicates Vote NV – Not Voting AB – Absent ORD – Motion SEC - Seconded													