

Q5 Do you have any other thoughts regarding where dogs are allowed in public parks?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Would love to see another fenced space for dogs off leash beyond the dog park :)	2/19/2026 10:15 PM
2	Love your dog park 5 stars	2/19/2026 10:04 PM
3	Fully fenced in dog swim area	2/19/2026 8:09 PM
4	Please continue making the area dog friendly. You have one of the best dog parks I have ever seen near the high school and tennis courts	2/19/2026 7:47 PM
5	Should be allowed anywhere when on leash and under control. The rules at Gyro in summer to only have one paths are ridiculous. It'd nice to be able to bring your dog with you to Music in the Park or other events like that.	2/19/2026 7:38 PM
6	Many people with dogs off leash. Need bylaw to pay closer attention.	2/19/2026 5:20 PM
7	Grassy areas should be fine but still keep the beaches dog free.	2/19/2026 4:42 PM
8	It should be clarified that dog swim areas are not off-leash parks. Owners should pick up their dog's feces AND clean the grass after if necessary as many other people use the swim areas in bare feet.	2/19/2026 11:55 AM
9	Low water fountains for the dogs would be a nice touch. I'm not sure if there already bags and disposal bins along the paths	2/17/2026 9:54 PM
10	Non aggressive dogs only. Strict feces pick up enforcement In effect summer tourist season only. Relax rest of year	2/16/2026 1:52 PM
11	The problem is people don't clean up after their dogs poop on the grass. This is frustrating as children play on the same grass that owners allow dogs to poop and don't clean it up.	2/16/2026 7:26 AM
12	No	2/13/2026 8:23 AM
13	If pet handlers are responsible & dogs are on a controlled leash I have no problems with animals or people anywhere in public. As far as I'm concerned pets are like toddlers & should be allowed in restaurants, grocery stores, etc since you wouldn't leave your child unattended in public. To be a responsible person your pets & children need to be under control & taught how to behave in public areas & could then be allowed in public areas. Provide hand cleaner, bags & collection areas for easy access in public areas.	2/11/2026 9:43 AM
14	Dogs should not be allowed anywhere in a public park. I do not think that I should have to tolerate anyone's pet as I enjoy a public area.	2/11/2026 8:58 AM
15	I believe it is hard enough for bylaw officers to monitor and regulate public areas of Osoyoos... inappropriate behaviour like drinking, illegal substance use...and monitor other things like parking and irrigation.... Do not add to their overloaded work requirements and effectiveness... AND reduce pet owner's enjoyment of our parks and public places by restricting where a pet under control of its owner can be allowed to go.	2/11/2026 8:49 AM
16	dogs should be on a leash and owners should ALWAYS pick up after them. Aggressive dogs should be muzzled.	2/10/2026 1:17 PM
17	Dogs should be allowed to enjoy time with their family in public parks as long as they are on a leash. Way to many dogs in public parks that are not leashed.	2/10/2026 12:10 PM
18	Having a fenced area in the lake for off leash dog swimming would be great.	2/10/2026 8:51 AM
19	Not all of us our dog lovers and even can find some dogs intimidating. Not all dog owners follow rules and don't have their dog on a leash even though it's required. Dogs and their	2/10/2026 8:13 AM

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	owners should have their own designated area.	
20	No	2/9/2026 5:28 PM
21	Dog owners must be responsible for having the dog leashed, under control and picking up waste from the dog.	2/9/2026 5:26 PM
22	I think it's a ridiculous waste of time and priorities to police dogs who are with their owners in parks when we have brown water and the town smells like literal poop in the summer. It's also actually dangerous for dogs to walk on hot pavement. Imagine how you would feel walking barefoot on pavement in July. On-leash dogs should have full access to any grassy area, especially shaded grassy areas, for safety if nothing else. Please use your common sense.	2/9/2026 4:35 PM
23	As long as dogs and owners are well behaved there should be no restrictions	2/9/2026 3:45 PM
24	Need more "no dogs allowed" signs at the elementary school field and bylaw needs to do more. Not just drive by	2/9/2026 2:39 PM
25	enforcement of LEASHED areas needs to be monitored closer and tickets should be given more freely. There are to many owners that believe their dogs are friendly and don't keep them under control	2/9/2026 2:10 PM
26	As long as dogs are leashed, under control, and owners are picking up after them, I don't see any harm in them being allowed in all the parks.	2/9/2026 1:55 PM
27	Dogs should be allowed in Gyro Park year round.	2/9/2026 1:14 PM
28	Dog off-leash area by OSS should have a fenced small dog area.	2/9/2026 11:06 AM
29	Cottonwood park should have swim are, right now it is NOT	2/9/2026 10:56 AM
30	NO DOGS IN PUBLIC PARKS !!!!! Fenced all around in an empty lot outside of town. Dogs should never be allowed in public parks spreading their poo and stench everywhere.	2/9/2026 10:47 AM
31	You need more fenced off leash exercise areas for dogs that require running exercise such as Whippets and Border Collies. The Town of Oliver has a great one.	2/9/2026 10:41 AM
32	To have bylaw officers around to ensure owners pick up their dogs poop & fine them if they don't.	2/9/2026 10:36 AM
33	Dogs on leash in public parks is not the problem. the problem is the amount of irresponsible pet owners who let their dogs off leash, do not clean up after their dogs or restrain their dogs if a situation arises. Allowing dogs on grass areas in public parks unfortunately turns into a "can of worms" and Osoyoos tax payers are left holding the can.	2/9/2026 9:54 AM
34	There should be a Dog area in the parks where Dogs will do there business and not in areas where children may be on the grass. IE: public health issues.	2/9/2026 9:38 AM
35	More poo bag locations and more garbage cans for disposal.	2/9/2026 9:25 AM
36	It's outdoor area, dogs aren't the only animals roaming the area	2/9/2026 9:12 AM
37	most dogs are less nuisance than some people (littering, drinking, drugs)	2/9/2026 9:05 AM
38	Not where children's playgrounds are. It's frightening for kids and a danger for the children as well.	2/9/2026 8:57 AM
39	We are quite impressed with both dog-friendly and human friendly rules and how compatible they are. We frequent the stretch from the off leash dog beach past the marina to the on leash at the far end, past Watermark Resort to the bridge. Very rarely have seen dog poop left behind and seeing unleashed dogs is also notably rare, where prohibited. Canadian geese are the greatest offenders of soiling the grass. We're great advocates for dog-friendly shops, venues and such. That said, people avoiding dogs should feel safe in public areas. The existing rules allow both sides to share the spaces.	2/9/2026 8:05 AM
40	The current swim areas are not very walkable or family friendly- causing barriers for young families like ours with a dog and small children, esp in the high heat.	2/9/2026 6:07 AM
41	Dog owners would like to see dogs in restaurants too. Pandering to small groups is not a solution.	2/9/2026 5:21 AM
42	Nah just people and their dog poo	2/9/2026 2:57 AM

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43	It's not the dogs fault it's the owner who does not clean up behind there dogs, and the owners who clean their dogs on picnic tables. So gross.	2/8/2026 9:02 PM
44	This is what the town feels we need to spend money on? More rules and trying to enforce? Come on...I'm tired of brown water and the awful sewage smell from the ponds.	2/8/2026 8:56 PM
45	I understand some dog owners are irresponsible, but so are non dog owners. Dogs should be allowed on grass, do you want them to pee on the road? Maybe a light post? There are off leash areas and the rest are leashed, stop trying to make rules when the others aren't even enforced and you will force confrontation by random people not police or the "by-laws" officers.	2/8/2026 8:53 PM
46	People dont abide by them.being on leash so much that it should just not be allowed period. Lots dont.clean up after.them either	2/8/2026 8:50 PM
47	As long as they are on leash, under control, of gentle demeanor and the owners clean up after them then they are welcome.	2/8/2026 8:50 PM
48	I walk my dog a few times a day; it really is the best part of mine and "Jack's" day. The town of Osoyoos maintains the lawns and gardens beautifully - although I carry my own, I do appreciate the Pooh bags made available able, and I think most walkers with their dogs are respectful of the beauty the town has to offer.	2/8/2026 8:48 PM
49	More enforcement of clean up by owners is required. There's is too much orphaned dog excrement.	2/8/2026 7:36 PM
50	Keep them to the fenced in area and on leash. More control by bylaw on dogs off leash in town limits would be nice. As an owner very disheartening to see other dogs run wild.	2/8/2026 7:26 PM
51	It's too bad people don't always pick up after their dogs but most people are good enough that dogs should continue to enjoy being in public parks with their people. I often pick up abandoned poops at my local park. Perhaps encourage public education around "See it, Pick it Up, A** Be Damned." :^D	2/8/2026 7:13 PM
52	No	2/8/2026 7:07 PM
53	Survey several doctors! Even if you pick up after your dog's droppings, I would imagine there is still biological substance left. Does this pose a potential medical danger to infants and others? Also, cull many more geese! Their droppings can carry disease!	2/8/2026 4:49 PM
54	Dogs should be allowed at Gyro Park (and everywhere else) during the summer. I'm a full-time resident and would like to be able to enjoy the beach with my well-behaved dog.	2/8/2026 3:40 PM
55	If we want tourism to flourish we allow dogs everywhere! The more restrictions the Town places the less people will choose our town to come to. Downtown businesses allow dogs to come shopping because it HELPS bring tourism and encourages people to support our community. Ban the dogs or ban children - either one will cause this Town to shrivel up and die.	2/8/2026 10:53 AM
56	As a resident, I think that we should be able to have our dogs off leash in certain parks during the off season (Nov to Feb). Parks like Kinsmen, the Spray park (Jack Shaw), the grass area behind the marina (hardly anyone ever in these areas during those months). I have a very friendly medium size (40 lb) dog who loves to play ball. The dog park here is a mess, there have been aggressive dogs & dogs are constantly getting sick.	2/8/2026 7:51 AM
57	Even on leash, dogs sniff sniff at you and your belongings, walk over your blankets and generally disrupt you. Poop is everywhere! Owners are very inconsiderate.	2/8/2026 7:37 AM
58	I think that dog owners need to be held accountable for their dogs. Picking up droppings and filling in holes at the dog parks. The reason there are dog parks is because it's for dogs. Keep them out of Kinsmen park, school grounds and any other parks. When dog parks are more abundant than children's playgrounds there is a problem.	2/7/2026 5:52 PM
59	Owners need to be fined heavily for not picking up their pets waste & dogs should be allowed in the park during events, as long as they are kept under control and zero waste is left behind	2/7/2026 3:37 PM
60	Dogs should be kept on private property only or outside town boundaries. Many times I've had to dodge dog soiling on sidewalks and parks.	2/7/2026 3:05 PM
61	We are a tourist town and families come here with their dogs, so I feel that if leashed they	2/7/2026 2:47 PM

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should be allowed to have their dogs with them as there kids play on the beach or in the parks instead of leaving the dog behind. I as a person who lives here would love to be able to take my dog down with me as my family has a picnic or goes for a swim. It would be also nice to have a dog swim area that is fully fenced off, maybe one on both sides of the bridge.

62	A dog area needs to be designated for Kinsman Park; or in the area. There isn't any fenced areas in this side of the lake. If Kinsman Park could have possibly off leash from September to June that would be an improvement.	2/7/2026 2:13 PM
63	Regrettably, not all dog owners clean up after their pets including in public parks. Let's reserve the public park space for people.	2/7/2026 9:34 AM
64	Dogs should not be allowed in parks on grassed or beach areas. There should be specific dog parks so the rest of us can enjoy the parks without stepping in dog poop, or sitting on the grass where a dog has recently left urine.	2/7/2026 7:06 AM
65	On the beaches in the off season (like the geese)	2/6/2026 10:50 PM
66	Wish bylaw would enforce rules. So many non leash dogs in osoyoos. With there owners not cleaning up there crap! So dog owners could enjoy parks like others if rules were being enforced.	2/6/2026 9:00 PM
67	As a traveller with my dogs, either in my vehicle or my Rv, the towns that have accessible and enjoyable areas for both dogs and their owners seem to be spoken of in very positive ways which in turn gives the guests good memories and therefore be more inclined to return. People who have dogs and travel with them see their pets as part of the family, who wants to exclude their family from enjoyable times! If the dog doesn't get to play and exercise, problems for the hotels that allow dogs. Please add rather than reduce the options for pet parents! Osoyoos would benefit greatly by the positive chatter amongst the travelling tourists!	2/6/2026 8:48 PM
68	West bench dog park relocated away from pickleball courts to minimize health hazards flowing from the dog park onto the pickleball court.	2/6/2026 4:42 PM
69	It would be convenient to have my dog with our family when we are visiting popular beach areas such as the grassland infront of the Watermark.	2/6/2026 4:35 PM
70	Poop bags should be available wherever dogs are permitted	2/6/2026 3:49 PM
71	Although we are not current dog owners, we have been in the past, and also believe that non dog owners have as many 'rights' to use green space as dogs without dodging assertive dogs, their remains or leases strung out. Not everyone loves their dogs as much as the owners. Fortunately, there are many dog swim areas available for our four legged friends, there is no need for more.	2/6/2026 2:39 PM
72	It would be nice if dogs were welcome everywhere. (On a leash) but unfortunately some people do not pick up after their dogs even in the dog park. Stiffer fines for not picking up after your dog or not leashing your dog. P.S. the dog beaches are not family friendly.	2/6/2026 2:30 PM
73	Besides extreme measures I'm not sure how to monitor/police offenders...it's nasty business all around.	2/6/2026 1:43 PM
74	Aggressive dogs at off leash dog parks, attacking other dogs is why i dont go to dog park that allow free roaming. Dog owners at dog park and along canal walkway dont pick up poop. This issues need to be addressed.	2/6/2026 1:17 PM
75	Need public education campaigns on owners picking up their dog's excrement. And possibly higher fines but that's probably pointless because it requires bylaw enforcement which is limited.	2/6/2026 1:07 PM
76	Dogs should be allowed in public areas on leash and under control of owner. The biggest issue I see is owners not picking up after their dogs. Violators need to be fined by bylaw.	2/6/2026 12:13 PM
77	Bylaw NEEDS to monitor the Gyro beach north of the band shell. Always see dog owners who's allow their dogs to run freely and bother family's trying to enjoy the family grass areas.	2/6/2026 12:02 PM
78	All dogs should be on a leash and under control by owner. Owners should pick up after their dog. I have had issues in the past with owners not properly picking up and leashing their dog outside the dog park by the high-school so I stopped going up their with my old blind lab.	2/6/2026 11:46 AM
79	Dog can be allowed only if there is a specific place for them to keep the pee and poop	2/6/2026 11:09 AM

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	contained	
80	Not on where they are allowed, but certainly on the absolute need for dog owners to clean up after their dogs defecate.	2/6/2026 10:58 AM
81	No one wants to sit or have kids play on grass at parks where dog owners let their dogs pee and poop. Disgusting.	2/6/2026 10:40 AM
82	Create fully (or majorly) fenced areas in highly popular areas (Gyro, Safari beach) to help reduce interference with other beach goers. I regularly use Safari beach dog area in the summer (by splash park), and even though I'm in the dog swim area, there's regular users in the same dog area without dogs that are taking up the "dog" space, and are shocked when a dog shakes water on or near them.	2/6/2026 10:33 AM
83	Winter should be open on Cottonwood beach as it used to be before.	2/6/2026 10:24 AM
84	We need to look at a more friendly and inclusive dog park... something accessible for the seniors, walking path that allows distance between dogs for needed.	2/6/2026 10:18 AM
85	Dog owners should realize that once dog is finished with swim they must be back on leash.	2/6/2026 10:16 AM
86	Keep up the great work. One of the most dog friendly towns we've ever ever to.	2/6/2026 9:55 AM
87	Yes we live on the lake next to a public access. We often encounter irresponsible dog owners constantly using this space as their very own lake access dog park. It would be great if there was better enforcement of the by laws for day use areas available to the public around the lake. Unfortunately many run un leashed all over adjacent private property pee and pooping, we have even had dogs end up in our house. Unfortunately stronger enforcement is really the only answer when many people today believe they are the exception to the rule. Thank you for asking for input into this question. As responsible dog owners we understand that just because we love dogs doesn't mean everyone one does and therefore we need to be respectful of the rules around leashes etc.	2/6/2026 9:54 AM
88	Always On leash and controlled. Everywhere.	2/6/2026 9:19 AM
89	Poop scooping needs to be enforced. Dogs should not be allowed where children play. The urine is everywhere. Even responsible scoopers can't get that up.	2/6/2026 9:12 AM
90	Unfortunately, the bad dog owners don't control their dogs or clean up after them. I've been at Lions Park and watch a dog lift his leg and pee on someone's beach bag.	2/6/2026 9:03 AM
91	They are family and should be included	2/6/2026 8:57 AM
92	I would like to see the interior grass area of the Racetrack opened to dogs.	2/6/2026 8:50 AM
93	Having lived in Osoyoos full time it is sad to see so many dog owners are not picking up after their dogs.	2/6/2026 8:48 AM
94	Dogs should be allowed anywhere in town as long as they are on leash and under owners control.	2/6/2026 8:39 AM
95	I would like to see a few more areas open to dogs around town especially when its hot out	2/6/2026 8:04 AM
96	A fenced area for dogs is recommended. Most dog owners are responsible & use disposable bags. However, dogs urinate everywhere & I have been concerned about the young children in my family playing on the grass. Cats, not part of the survey, are more of a problem than dogs (feces in mulched play areas, killing birds....)	2/6/2026 8:00 AM
97	There should be one park on each side of the lake that has an area for dogs to run on the beach and use the water. Not in the high use tourist areas. Not everyone is a dog lover.	2/6/2026 7:53 AM
98	Many dog owners are responsible but it is those who do not pick up after their dogs that makes me say no. Even after dog owners pick up there is often a residue left.	2/6/2026 7:37 AM
99	Dogs should be able to accompany the owner in all outdoor spaces. The owners need to be trained to be attentive and clean up after their own animals. It's the negligent owners that get the public upset about animals in the park. Very few owners use the dog park by the tennis courts, due to the poor access to the park. It's slippery in the rain and worse when it snows The access point should be up the service road 50 metres to give level access.	2/6/2026 7:18 AM
100	We have plenty of dog parks in Osoyoos. They don't need to be on main beach (Gyro). People	2/6/2026 7:03 AM

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	can leave their pets at home sometimes, I don't need dogs pissing on my beach chairs etc.	
101	I think on leash and under control is fine, but the problem is not everyone will follow this rule and there will be off leash or problem dogs :(I would love to be able to sit on the grass with my dog, but the minority of people who let their dogs pee or poop on the grass is not worth the risk. Also, better "policing" of this is needed! More by law officers issuing consequences. So many times we have run into problems with other people's off leash dogs. Please don't forget to keep an eye on the public lake access points not in parks as well. Perhaps better signage and fines will help? Thank you!	2/6/2026 6:56 AM
102	I feel that far too many dogs are off leash in parks and on walkways that require leashes. I wish leash use could be better enforced, rather than limiting where leashed dogs are permitted. Thank you!	2/6/2026 6:50 AM
103	I've got some concerns about letting dogs on any grass areas in public parks as some dog owners do not control their dogs as well as others and not all owners clean up after their dogs - once the bylaw is changed it will be difficult to then regulate the behaviour of dogs and owners. I suspect there will be owners who will let their dogs run off leash. I am a dog owner but I choose to keep her will controlled for the comfort of others. I am diligent about cleaning up after my dog but some owners are not.	2/6/2026 6:42 AM
104	We need more bylaw enforcement for off leash dogs on trails	2/6/2026 6:09 AM
105	As long as the dog is on a leash, under control, and the owner picks up any crap produced. I have zero issues with dogs being in a park. Osoyoos currently provides dog poop bags at the official dog parks. As a tax payer I am ok with this as it gives me an opportunity to shame lazy people at the dog park who don't pick up after their pet.	2/6/2026 4:38 AM
106	No	2/6/2026 3:56 AM
107	We need a larger grass area on the east side/east bench for example kinsmen park. While the swim park are great from April to November...there is nothing of any size otherwise on the west side of the lake	2/6/2026 1:34 AM
108	We need more open mindiness. Pitbulls and pitbull breeds should be allowed mussle free around city limits. As well as lower fees charged out as pet registration. These dogs should be allowed in dog parks. It is 2026 and the current town needs updated language regarding this issue. It isn't the dogs fault but the owners this comes down too. Even if the town requires proper training documentation that the animal has undergone training and disciplinary training x amount of hours providing these exclusions to some of these pet owners. It would give a lot more free will back to the people.	2/5/2026 11:46 PM
109	Under control, leashed dogs should be able to be with their responsible owners.	2/5/2026 11:34 PM
110	I feel more parks should allow dogs but there should be a few that don't. I think the dog swim areas are too small. Balance.	2/5/2026 10:21 PM
111	The on-leash bylaws need to be enforced, but we realize how difficult and time consuming this is. There are plenty of dog parks and offleash areas. We are long term dog owners and feel that Os has more than plentiful dog areas for play. The main Osoyoos off-leash dog park is one of the most spectacular in the country. Dogs should be onleash at all times in all other areas, and prohibited from public parks during the summer. The problem is: I don't know how you enforce this.	2/5/2026 10:04 PM
112	In my opinion dogs should not be allowed in public spaces, there are many people who feel uncomfortable when approached by dogs, and many dog owners who are not responsible enough to be respectful of others. Dogs are provided with several designated areas where owners and dog lovers can be. Where can the public be as not to worry about being approached by dogs? We battled the same dispute over smoking areas for way too long. Who's rights are we disrespecting, the masses or the few?	2/5/2026 9:53 PM
113	Dogs are part of our families and as such they should be allowed in all outdoor spaces especially in hot summer temperatures	2/5/2026 9:51 PM
114	Dogs should be allowed in all parks on leashes and under control of owner	2/5/2026 9:22 PM
115	Need to put up signs about access will be cancelled if pets are not cleaned up after. Watch enough people just walk away around town, if this would happen at park the access should be cancelled	2/5/2026 9:19 PM

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116	I would like to see at least one of the doggie beaches fenced and safe for our dogs. Its great we have so many and appreciate that. They have a great fenced dog beaches in OK Falls. Safe, fenced and fun. We drive there in the summer because of safety for our fur babies.	2/5/2026 9:03 PM
117	Public parks stay beautiful when you don't have to watch your step while walking though the grass or on the beach. Many but not all dog owners leave messes, and walk dogs off leash. When out for a walk I don't enjoy getting jumped on by a dog that is not on leash. I have allergy to dogs. Public walkways are ok as long as on leash and owners pick up after their pets. In summer, there are clear signs in gyro park that they are not allowed. (Who would want to sit in the grass or beach with dog excrement) I see between 1 and 5 different dogs at gyro park every morning. I have never seen a by law officer there. They are often off leash playing ball in the grass or on the beach.	2/5/2026 8:45 PM
118	Dogs on a leash and owner MUST pickup their dogs excrement!!	2/5/2026 8:43 PM
119	Dogs should not be allowed at music in the park. I viewed a dog urinate on a persons chair and the dog owner acted like nothing happened. I see way too much dog crap on the streets and public parks. I thought we had enough dog parks in this town to keep dogs out of people parks.	2/5/2026 8:37 PM
120	Osoyoos is a great place for dog owners and their dogs	2/5/2026 8:28 PM
121	More fines for owners of dogs that are off leash on pathways and parks through out Osoyoos	2/5/2026 8:22 PM
122	I would like more to be available but nobody seems keen on picking up after their dog(s). The beach by Sage pub has become a poop box for dogs, as well as the empty grass field across the street from Sahara inn.	2/5/2026 8:10 PM
123	As long as the areas are patrolled occasionally to make sure people are picking up after their animals. Perhaps have stations with waste receptacles on hand for people to dispose of dog waste properly may help the situation and make it a cleaner environment for everyone who enjoys the area.	2/5/2026 8:06 PM
124	Need a smaller flat dog park. Current dog park is far too hilly for seniors and people with mobility issues. The walkway (uphill) is steep and icy.	2/5/2026 8:05 PM
125	Dogs should not be allowed on beaches except the designated dog beach.	2/5/2026 8:03 PM
126	Dogs should be allowed in parks if they are on leash and owners pick up any deposits the dog makes.	2/5/2026 8:02 PM
127	i am a snowbird here (6 mos per year) and own a small dog! i believe dogs should be allowed in the parks on a leash everywhere in the winter months!	2/5/2026 8:02 PM
128	I think owners vary and always say their dogs are great .I have witnessed two dogs attacking each other .awe were lucky an older man came to assist and had to pull these dogs away from each other pretty scary ... Lucky as there was a young family there	2/5/2026 7:56 PM
129	No dogs at legion beach. They often relieve themselves in the water right next to people swimming in the public beach area. Gross. We have had dog turds float past us many times. Won't swim there anymore especially after the E. coli closure last summer	2/5/2026 7:51 PM
130	Majority of owners are terrible at training their dogs, so no, they do not belong in all public spaces designated dog park is great for them! Please consider people with animal allergies or fears. They deserve to use public spaces without concern.	2/5/2026 7:49 PM
131	I believe under the current system dogs can be off-leash but under the owner's control for the winter months, ? I've observed that it is difficult for some dogs to obey the owner's command when the dog decides it wants to run after another dog. Perhaps dogs should be on leash when on public paths in parks ?and still off leash in the dog swim areas which usually have a larger beach area to run as the water recedes for the winter.	2/5/2026 7:47 PM
132	No dogs in parks	2/5/2026 7:40 PM
133	Stay off the grass area.	2/5/2026 7:31 PM
134	I tell people all the time how amazing Osoyoos is for having dog parks at most public beaches. With it being so hot here I think dogs should be allowed on the grass area during the summer, less people leaving them at home or in their vehicles! I think the on leash part has to be heavily enforced though. Unfortunately people do tend to not listen to that by saying "my dogs friendly or has great recall" there needs to be a leash length limit and heavily enforced with a	2/5/2026 7:28 PM

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LARGE fine if a dog isn't on a leash. A designated ON LEASH dog park at the water would be amazing. They have them in many places, leave the other ones they way they are but pick one of the ones that don't get used as much. I have a reactive dog who is more than happy to be around other dogs when they don't come up to him but have a 6 foot leash max on leash dog park at a beach would be amazing. Truly enforce the leash part at that one when possible.

135	I don't think dogs should be allowed in children's playgrounds, water parks, or playing fields, such as soccer, baseball, etc. Unfortunately some dog owners fail to pick up after their dogs.	2/5/2026 7:16 PM
136	Only that more pet owners really need to clean up after their pets. The amount of dog poop on ground including where children play, is disgusting. Do better people!	2/5/2026 7:10 PM
137	We live on the east side of town, where the best—and only—beach with public washrooms, mature shade trees, picnic tables, a grassed area, and safe beach access was recently converted into a dog park. As a result, residents are now limited to a very small strip of sand across from Island View, which has only one tree and minimal amenities. It seems reasonable that a more suitable location for a dog park could be found, while preserving this important waterfront space for the tax-paying residents and families who rely on it. Thanks	2/5/2026 7:02 PM
138	Dogs should be on leash in public parks	2/5/2026 6:50 PM
139	I love my dogs and I'm a responsible owner, but many people aren't. Having dogs peeing and pooing where people are walking barefoot is not ok. Dogs should be leashed and off the grass.	2/5/2026 6:48 PM
140	I am fine with how it currently is. I find it frustrating that many dog owners are not aware or choose to ignore the leash requirements or bring their dogs to Gyro in the months where they are not permitted.	2/5/2026 6:44 PM
141	The poops increase with the snowbirds to lazy to pick up after their dogs and no pride in our town	2/5/2026 6:43 PM
142	Dogs need to be in separate areas. People do not need to sit on soiled grass in parks.	2/5/2026 6:26 PM
143	If dogs are leashed and under control then I do not think they should be restricted as to location in parks.	2/5/2026 6:23 PM
144	Dogs may be under control or on a leash but that does not stop them from peeing and pooping on the same grass my children play on and I sit on. Public parks should be for humans to enjoy. We have had dogs in the past and did not see the need to have dogs infringe on human spaces or activities. Why can humans not have parks where dogs are simply not allowed?	2/5/2026 6:21 PM
145	Should be allowed only in the dog swim areas listed above.	2/5/2026 6:17 PM
146	I watch a parade of owners with their dogs going to GYRO beach 12 months of the year.	2/5/2026 6:16 PM
147	I agree to have dogs in public parks, however, this needs to be monitored more frequently as I see way too many loose dogs, being ignored by owners. Maybe post the bylaw phone numbers in the parks, so we can easily contact them. Thank you for asking about dogs in public parks.	2/5/2026 6:14 PM
148	Curious if small dog park will be added at big field by Rattlesnake Canyon?	2/5/2026 6:08 PM
149	We need to better monitor dogs on the beach on Gyro in the summer. I have seen dogs do their business on the beach and the owners don't pick it up	2/5/2026 6:04 PM
150	Well controlled dogs should be allowed everywhere	2/5/2026 5:54 PM
151	They should be on a leash in all public areas. People who do not clean up after their pets should be heavily fined followed by jail time for all repeat offenders.	2/5/2026 5:48 PM
152	There should be specific areas for dogs in public parks so that those that are bothered by dogs can avoid the area.	2/5/2026 5:45 PM
153	The amount of dog poo on the trails etc very disgusting..dig owners need to buck up	2/5/2026 5:40 PM
154	I think if the dogs are on leash it shouldn't be an issue. Dogs are family. Especially being a tourist town many people travel with their pets. If you restrict people taking them into parks you will have more pets locked in hot cars. I think there are more important issues that bylaw should be dealing with. Like all the people feeding the birds/ducks or parking near crosswalks or all the garbage on the beaches in front of the hotels in the summer.	2/5/2026 5:39 PM
155	I like that town does not allow dogs at gyro beach on the grass for June, July and August.	2/5/2026 5:38 PM

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Good for tourism. Also it should be monitored better by by-law at Legion Beach as dogs do not have access to the full beach, only an area.

156	Under control is important which includes controlling barking.	2/5/2026 5:37 PM
157	Dogs should be allowed in gyro park once again. The reason for that bylaw is no longer a problem.)Cherry pickers) ask anyone who's lived here for more than 15 years.	2/5/2026 5:34 PM
158	Keep dogs away from public areas. Not everyone is a dog lover. There are more than enough areas for dogs in Osoyoos. I enjoy dog free areas	2/5/2026 5:33 PM
159	The town has sufficient off lease areas and dog swim areas. The current bylaws meet the communities needs. What we need is better bylaw enforcement especially at Gyro Park in the summer.	2/5/2026 5:33 PM
160	We all live on this planet. Dogs need exercise and fun outside. Humans need to share, and if there are issues, humans need to take responsibility.	2/5/2026 5:31 PM
161	I believe there should be more off leash options especially during the months of October to April	2/5/2026 5:26 PM
162	We have a little tea cup chihuahua. She goes everywhere we go if allowed. It's been disappointing when we can't have her with us along the beach area near Watermark.	2/5/2026 5:25 PM
163	Do not think that dogs should be allowed in public parks, just designated dog parks. Although dog owners can be very responsible regarding dog poop pick up it is still a health concern with kids playing in the parks.	2/5/2026 5:24 PM
164	Away from swimming areas	2/5/2026 5:24 PM
165	I think it's nice if the grass area in public parks are free of dogs, who always seem to want to pee and poop on it and don't always have owners who pick up properly. I prefer it clean for the children. Not all people like dogs, sorry dog owners, not everyone is comfortable with your furry friend.	2/5/2026 5:21 PM
166	Leash laws need to be enforced.	2/5/2026 5:14 PM
167	As long as they are under control and owners pick up after them ,I'm fine with it .	2/5/2026 5:13 PM
168	I have no problem with dogs in public parks. Owners just need to clean up after their pet.	2/5/2026 5:10 PM
169	Not on beaches unless designated for dogs. Pit bills banned everywhere.	2/5/2026 5:01 PM
170	Use humorous signs to encourage owners to pick up their own dog's poop.	2/5/2026 4:59 PM
171	Utilize the boat storage parking in the winter time for dog owners, town staff opening and closing the area by lock each day, put gate so the park by rattlesnake canyon for dog use, the actual park is so under utilized, but a fence could be run so no dog access into actual playground area	2/5/2026 4:59 PM
172	Given the seasonal warm-hot climate I believe it is important that leashed dogs be allowed on grassy areas. There is limited areas already where one can safely walk their dog in the heat. Many areas are paved and these can be unsafe for all pets including dogs. Off-path non-green areas can be hazardous due to rattlesnakes, prickly pear and puncture vine. Just today I was walking my dog through Swisis Park and twice came upon prickly pear. One imbedded itself in my dogs paw. As a significant number of residents and visitors own dogs I think it's important that there is pet-accessible areas. Dogs contribute to the wellbeing of persons through regular walks and positive interactions with others. In my observations I see the occasional poorly managed interaction but that could be dealt with through the existing by-laws and enforcement. There are certainly those owners that exist that do have their dog off-leash consistently. These are typically not one-off visitors but current residents who are familiar to many and whose off-leash dogs could pose nuisance and safety issues (including farm dogs) Again, I believe current by-laws could be enforced in these specific cases.	2/5/2026 4:55 PM
173	The key words are ON LEASH and UNDER CONTROL.	2/5/2026 4:52 PM
174	Cottonwood drive - beside Luna rosa. Already a park where dogs use the park 12 months of the year. Area conducive to allowing families with pets enjoy the lake as it's smaller and more out of th way. So generally more local visitors. Also remove the ban that runs in June. July and August with people traffic fine but June is mostly locals.	2/5/2026 4:51 PM

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175	I find a lot of times if you allow dogs on grass areas on leash, a portion of dog owners do not abide and take them off leash. They are running around at Legion Beach a lot of the times on the dog no-area and no o r seems to patrol it so they tear around people and blankets. I find that happens at Haynes Point as well but I believe that is federal not town property. I like dogs but it's the owners that sometimes cause the problems and rules.	2/5/2026 4:51 PM
176	Bylaw officers should go after people that have their dogs running around off leash.	2/5/2026 4:49 PM
177	I think that, as long as the dogs are under control and not causing any disturbance, they should be allowed to play and enjoy parks just like people can.	2/5/2026 4:49 PM
178	Not on the beach on the sand - by the lake at gyro . I said no to allowing dogs on grassy areas but some grassy area's are fine . It's when families and children are running around say at gyro area . Open grassy areas are fine .	2/5/2026 4:49 PM
179	Let's take a proactive approach. Deal with non compliant owners and keep all our town dog friendly!	2/5/2026 4:48 PM
180	It is not the matter of where dogs should be allowed but about making irresponsible dog owners pay fines for their negligence in cleaning-up after their dogs and putting them on leash in a busy area. During summer, it is difficult especially for tourist to enjoy some beach time when no dogs are allowed. We should avoid giving people an excuse to leave their dogs in a car especially during summer months. We should start having more places or stores that allow dogs in Osoyoos.	2/5/2026 4:47 PM
181	The dogs are fine if under the close control of their owners not those long retractable leads..... and if their owners pick up after them.	2/5/2026 4:46 PM
182	I think there should be no dog access to the grassy area of gyro beach from spring to fall Too many dog poops on grassy area where people and children are barefoot Very unsanitary and gross Seen it happen when people don't watch their dogs	2/5/2026 4:46 PM
183	Any public area, as long as they are under control (leashed) and owners pick up	2/5/2026 4:41 PM
184	i believe there needs to be more pet friendly areas but as a pet owner it angers me when people do not clean up after their pets	2/5/2026 4:39 PM
185	Not allowed in playgrounds	2/5/2026 4:37 PM
186	Although there are designated dog parks in town, many owners still go to public parks. Even worse they take their dogs to the elementary and secondary school fields which are not dog parks. At the secondary school it makes no sense since there is a big dog park right in the area up there. These are areas where students go out at recess and lunch and for PE classes and often find dog poop. This is not healthy for students or staff and it is not their responsibility to be picking it up or even watching for it. If all dog owners were responsible sure, but reality is they are not. These areas are often frequented by children and families and shouldn't be dog parks. They are parks for family members to enjoy without pets. Dogs want to run around and play and they don't want to be leashed up. Many children are also afraid of dogs and even allergic to dogs. There needs to be safe areas where no animals are hanging out. Just because they're on a leash doesn't mean they can't take off from their owners either and some dogs aren't that friendly. We need safe, friendly, dog free parks as well. Families have picnics on the grassy areas, we don't want to be looking out for dog feces while trying to enjoy our time at the park.	2/5/2026 4:36 PM
187	I think all dogs should be leashed on paths and public parks. There are currently many that are not. Enforcement of dogs in swim areas need to be done more effectively. It all comes down to enforcement of which there is little.	2/5/2026 4:36 PM
188	If dogs are on leash they should be allowed at music in the park and gyro beach.	2/5/2026 4:31 PM
189	Yes, dog owners need to PICK UP DOG POOP.Also, Dogs need to be on a leash close their owner, not 10 feet away.	2/5/2026 4:30 PM
190	I think current regulations are clear and make sense of you're a responsible dog owner. No need to create more rules, just try and enforce the ones you already have. Also you need a phone line that actually connects to a human at bylaw... I had a situation where dogs were left in the car this summer and had to call 911 but police had no interest and Fire did finally show up after a second call...bylaw never did answer or respond. Fire called a tow truck to open the	2/5/2026 4:29 PM

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door... after two hours I left and still no owner or bylaw ... so maybe work on a better system to connect with bylaw

191	I'd like the soccer field by rattlesnake canyon to be a dog park. It's flat which makes it easier for some people and pets to manage as well as walkable from more homes on the east side.	2/5/2026 4:28 PM
192	No.	2/5/2026 4:28 PM
193	Swimming areas could be widened at each park.	2/5/2026 4:25 PM
194	The town of Osoyoos has issues with dog poop everywhere..on the beaches, on sidewalk and on private and public property. By laws in Osoyoos are not effective enforced. Dog should only be permitted on walking path (hard surface) or off leash in the dog swim park areas currently in Osoyoos.	2/5/2026 4:24 PM
195	I think if dogs are well behaved and people are cleaning up that dogs should be allowed off leash in most areas. It should be owner responsibility to keep them away from others and ensure they are minding their dog when approaching others who may be on leash For example walking water front. Dogs should be allowed to run and walk with their owners freely. With the above considerations I mentioned. Good dog owners and dogs should not be restricted based on bad seeds	2/5/2026 4:22 PM
196	love dogs, hate most of the owner. especially when they let them run off leash when supposed to be leashed.	2/5/2026 4:19 PM
197	We have noticed bylaws enforcement representatives do not take action when observing owners not picking up after their animals. If owners were held accountable it may reduce the amount of feces in our parks and sidewalks. This would surely be a benefit to all.	2/5/2026 4:18 PM
198	Some parks and beach area should be dog friendly the rest dogs prohibited	2/5/2026 4:18 PM
199	Kinsmen Park would be a nice addition as well as the north finger of the marina.	2/5/2026 4:17 PM
200	Away from where people gather - especially with children.	2/5/2026 4:16 PM
201	dogs should not be restricted anywhere in parks as long as they are on leash and under control	2/5/2026 4:16 PM
202	Please start enforcing leash laws. That's what the off leash dog parks are for. Zero tolerance so everyone can enjoy the parks without being harassed by off leash dogs. Thank you.	2/5/2026 4:16 PM
203	Fenced dog beach needed the current beaches are not safe as dogs are not separated from swimmers or the road etc.	2/5/2026 4:15 PM
204	I agree with the bylaw that says they are not allowed to be walked on the grass during June-Aug, but if a family is together picnicking on the grass they should not have to find a different area away from the main downtown beach because they have a dog. I don't know if this is strictly enforced, I hope it is not. If the dog is wandering or they are throwing a ball for it or something more active, then yes, they should be politely encouraged to move to the dog beach area, but if the dog is sitting quietly and not causing a problem they should be left alone. I am thankful the "on leash" is not enforced the rest of the year. I rarely allow my dog off-leash, but others do and I don't have a problem with that. Thank you for creating this survey and allowing us to have input.	2/5/2026 4:14 PM
205	To insure owners clean up after they dogs there should be a fined if they fail to do so	2/5/2026 4:14 PM
206	As long as the dog is leashed, under control, not aggressive, and all poops are picked up - we are good with dogs in any town park.	2/5/2026 4:12 PM
207	I think public parks should have dog sections, like the dog swim area at Lions park, so dog owners can go to parks but their dogs won't be bothering sunbathers, small children or anyone else who may not want dogs running amok.	2/5/2026 4:11 PM
208	No dogs, some owners are so irresponsible, tourists, fruit pickers teens don't follow rules my grandkids step in it sit in it swim w dogs please we enjoy the main gyro lake but no dogs the rules are never followed don't ruin it for others. Many of us are afraid when they come barking. You know the town has many loose dogs that are not safe to be near. How to put a towel on the grass with pee and poo? Dirty in lake and our young ones swimming near them getting rashes have enough problems, Do not opening another can of worms to not enjoy osoyoos. Be very careful, you don't need this headache don't be pressured, you will get a ton of complaints in the summer. Leave the popular parks alone. No need to hire more bylaw officers. They just	2/5/2026 4:10 PM

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walk along the watermark boardwalk and don't see all the dogs in water and by the trees etc. lol you know how we all feel 3 families here. Making our voices heard. And my grandkids are terrified of dogs running up to them we won't be able to enjoy the lake as been attacked previously.

209	The issue is the dogs that aren't on a leash, and the owners that don't pick up after there dogs.	2/5/2026 4:08 PM
210	As long as owners are responsible!! By-law should go after the *shite* ones	2/5/2026 4:08 PM
211	Even when consideration pet owners " pick up" the dog doo, there is still residue on the grass! This is where little children play, thus, keep dogs off the grass..... please	2/5/2026 4:08 PM
212	Gravel fields	2/5/2026 4:07 PM
213	Dog parks should never be located next to public swimming beaches. We have bacteria/ecoli issues . Please do not encourage more effluent next to swimming beaches and picnic areas.	2/5/2026 4:06 PM
214	Dogs should be allowed at Gyro Park all year. Visitors bring dogs and have them on the grass regardless of the signs indicating jun-Sept no dogs	2/5/2026 4:06 PM
215	If they are on a leash and their owners are responsible for picking up after them, I don't see why they wouldn't be allowed at the parks. Would also like to see them allowed on restaurant patios.	2/5/2026 4:05 PM
216	Dogs should be well behaved and friendly if they are they should be allowed in all public parks if their owners don't pick up dog poop they should be fined.	2/5/2026 4:04 PM
217	On the promenades & walkways	2/5/2026 4:04 PM
218	I don't think dogs should be allowed because many people do NOT clean up after dogs and it creates a mess and hazards for others	2/5/2026 4:02 PM
219	I do not believe dogs should be allowed on any grassy areas as children play in those areas and when dogs pee nobody sees it and children could roll around in it and I'm not sure how healthy that is for children	2/5/2026 4:02 PM
220	Well behaved on leash dogs should be allowed in all public parks.	2/5/2026 4:00 PM
221	I am very afraid of dogs so am not for dogs in 'public' parks. We have dog parks specifically built for owners and their dogs. If dogs are permitted in public parks myself and others who are uncomfortable around dogs (any size or breed) will eventually stop attending at these locations which will affect their quality of life. I see no 'good' reason to change the status quo. Thank you for taking my responses seriously when deciding potential changes to bylaws.	2/5/2026 3:54 PM
222	There needs to be fencing around the swim areas for the dog beaches and into the water, so boats and other watercraft do not enter the dog swim area.	2/5/2026 12:57 PM