Tips for enjoying our Dog Parks at:

J. C. Snow Park
900 South 400 East
&
Firehouse Park
1800 N. Dixie Downs Rd.

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**Tips for visitors to the dog parks:**

1. **Watch your dog closely.** If your dog acts aggressively, please remove the dog from the park and let the animal calm down.

2. **It takes time for a new dog to become comfortable with the fact that other dogs all share the neutral environment.** Keep in mind that everyone at the park wants the same thing—socialized dogs that can have fun together.

3. **If you are not sure how your dog will react with other dogs, try coming to the park when there are less dogs to keep the intimidation level as low as possible.**

4. **You may wish to keep your first visit to the dog park short to minimize the stress on your pup.**

5. **Leaving when your dog is having a good time will make it more likely that your dog will be eager to return for subsequent visits.**

6. **When entering or leaving the off leash area, do not enter the double-gated transition area if it is occupied.** Both gates should not be open at the same time.

7. **Quickly move away from the entrance area as you enter.** That will help disperse the group of dogs that will come over to welcome your dog to the park. Move away from the fence so that your dog will not feel cornered or threatened.

8. **Keep your head on a swivel at all times as there will likely be groups of dogs running around the park and having fun.** Stay alert!

9. **Please clean up your park!** Trash, cigarette butts, and anything else on the ground may end up in a dog’s mouth. We must all work together to keep our park clean.

10. **If your pet has a contagious condition, stay away until a vet has said that there is no danger to other dogs.** The “Golden Rule” applies here.

11. **The City of St. George is not responsible for injuries to humans or animals.** Handlers must remain in the park with their dog at all times.

12. **This is a playground for dogs, not children.** If you choose to bring your child within the park, you must supervise him/her very closely!

13. **Children in strollers are not recommended.** In a stroller the child’s face is positioned at the same level as a dogs mouth. Dirty child faces are irresistible to a dog’s tongue.

14. **Children should not approach a strange dog without permission from the dog’s owner.**

15. **Be sure to teach your child how to behave properly in a dog park environment.** Playful, un supervised children and playful, unleashed dogs mixed together could result in injury.

16. **Understand that this area is provided for dogs to interact with other dogs and that your child could be considered an interruption in dog play.**

17. **A screaming, running or unattended child may become a natural target for dogs that are bred to herd, hunt, chase or guard.** Even a playful dog can knock over or inadvertently injure a child.