

Why Play Group?



Have you ever wondered what it would look like for your greyhound to run and play with other greys or are you just interested in seeing your hound run all out, as you know he or she can? If you have, come out with your hounds to the greyhound playgroup held every Sunday morning. Join other greyhound families as they let their hounds off the leash to romp around in a spacious fenced off-leash dog park in Lakewood. We meet every Sunday morning from 9am-10am at the new off-leash dog park at Fort Steilacoom Park in Lakewood.

The playgroup is not just for the hounds. Take this opportunity to talk about your greyhound's latest exploits (good or bad) with other families. You can learn from other owners about how they take care of minor injuries and illnesses or how they train their hounds not to jump or counter surf. You can also find out about upcoming events for greyhounds and their families. Come prepared to pet plenty of greyhounds because the greys like to take breaks and make the rounds amongst their two-legged friends to receive their well-deserved praise.



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GREYHOUND INFORMATION & RUNNING/PLAY GROUP GUIDELINES

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Running/Play Group Information

Due to the popularity of our Sunday running group, it has become



necessary to limit the number of dogs running at one time. Too many dogs running at once can create stressful and unsafe situations that none of us want to put ourselves or our beloved pets in. If you do not agree with the guidelines you and your greyhound will be asked to leave. Please remember the guidelines are in place for the safety of the dogs and owners. There will be no exceptions. This is supposed to be a fun time for both greyhounds and their owners.



Helpful Hints

Muzzles are required. If you forgot one, you will be given one to use for the duration of the play session. No exceptions.

Remember, greyhounds are athletes. A short walk before entering the field will allow your greyhound to warm up before running.

Know your dog! If your dog is a senior or has special needs, please pay close attention to your dog for signs of stress. It helps to place your dog in a running group that is appropriate.

Pet waste pick up bags are also required and expected to be used. The park has many dispensers on the fencing in case you forget to bring your own.

If and when two or more greyhounds become excitable and/or unruly, owners are expected to IMMEDIATELY intervene, separate and exercise full control of their hounds.

Watch your dog for signs of distress during running. If your dog is distressed it will be leashed by you or a playgroup organizer for its safety.

No pets, other than greyhounds are allowed in the run area during the scheduled time.

Not all dogs do well in a playgroup situation. Playgroup may not be a place for dogs that are overly shy, threatened by other dogs, or aggressive. If you are new to a playgroup situation, try to attend during off peak times so that your dog can get acclimated to the environment and other dogs, like the last half hour

Remember that you participate in the greyhound only running group at your own risk.



If you have any question or concerns about the above, or any other aspect of the Greyhound Playgroup, please do not hesitate to contact any of the organizers.

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