

Handler Etiquette when Training at Para District Obedience Dog Club

Always pick up faeces after your dog has defecated and place in the bins provided.

When approaching another dog, ask the permission of the owner if it is okay to approach. Do not assume that every dog wants to be approached by unknown dogs or people.

After being given the okay to approach an unknown dog, approach calmly and do not allow your dog to rush at them. Keep the leash loose, but short enough to pull your dog back quickly if there is a problem.

If your dog wants a drink, do not allow them to interrupt another dog while they are drinking. Wait until they have finished, then allow your dog to drink.

Do not approach dogs that are tethered and unsupervised.

Do not take your dog off lead, unless directed by an instructor.

Supervise your children around dogs and always ask permission of the owner before allowing children to pat unknown dogs.

Make sure your dog does not become entangled with other dogs' leads. Always allow space between you and your dog and other dogs and handlers. Be aware of your environment at all times.

If your dog urinates on any club buildings, get some water and wash the area.

Listen and observe all instruction from club officials and instructors.