

# Wellington Park Dog Walking Information

**Dogs on a lead** are permitted in several areas within Wellington Park. These areas are defined in the Wellington Park Management Plan 2013, and allow for substantial dog recreation and exercising opportunities in both the Hobart and Glenorchy municipal areas. The Wellington Park Management Trust, via the management plan, seeks to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all visitors to the Park whilst providing for its protection, use and management. It aims to minimise the potential for conflict between dogs and their owners, and other Park users.

As shown in the map overleaf, dogs are permitted **on a lead** on: tracks and trails in the **Recreation Zone**, which includes the lower eastern foothills of Mount Wellington (the area below Pinnacle Rd from the Springs to Big Bend) and the trails immediately above Tolosa Park in Glenorchy; Radfords Track; and Jefferys Track (in the west of the Park). Track signs will also indicate where dog walking is and is not permitted.

Dogs may be taken to the Pinnacle of Mount Wellington, but must be confined to a vehicle at all times. **Dogs are prohibited in picnic areas of Wellington Park (eg The Springs) except while being taken to or from tracks where dog walking is permitted.** Dog access areas are multiple-use and managed for the enjoyment of all Park users.

## WHY SHOULD MY DOG BE ON A LEAD?

Dog owners have a legal responsibility to keep their dog under control in public places, and, within the Park. Dogs must be kept on a lead (max. 2m long) at all times and held by someone able to control it.

A dog off-lead, no matter how well behaved, has the potential to reduce the quality of experience for other visitors to the Park. Children or people who may have a fear of dogs may feel threatened or intimidated by an unrestrained dog.

Unrestrained dogs can also present a threat to local ground dwelling native wildlife such as bettongs, bandicoots, quolls and lizards. These animals are protected by legislation and are valued by Park visitors.

It is an offence to not restrain your dog with a lead in Wellington Park, or to exercise your dog in unpermitted areas, attracting an on-the-spot fine of \$168 or penalties of up to \$3360.

## CLEANING UP AFTER YOUR DOG

One reason dogs are restricted to certain areas is that Wellington Park forms an important water catchment that supplies fresh drinking water to the Greater Hobart area.

Dog faeces left on tracks near waterways can contaminate drinking water supplies when washed into waterways during heavy rains. They are also unsightly and offensive to other visitors to the Park, and can encourage weed growth by enriching the soil.

It is an offence to not clean up after your dog in Wellington Park, attracting an on-the-spot-fine of **\$168** or penalties of up to **\$3360**.

## DOG EXERCISE AREAS

For information on Dog Exercise areas outside of the Park please contact:

Hobart City Council: 03 6238 2182  
Glenorchy City Council: 03 6216 6315  
Kingborough Council: 03 6211 8200

## FURTHER INFORMATION

For information on the management of Wellington Park contact:

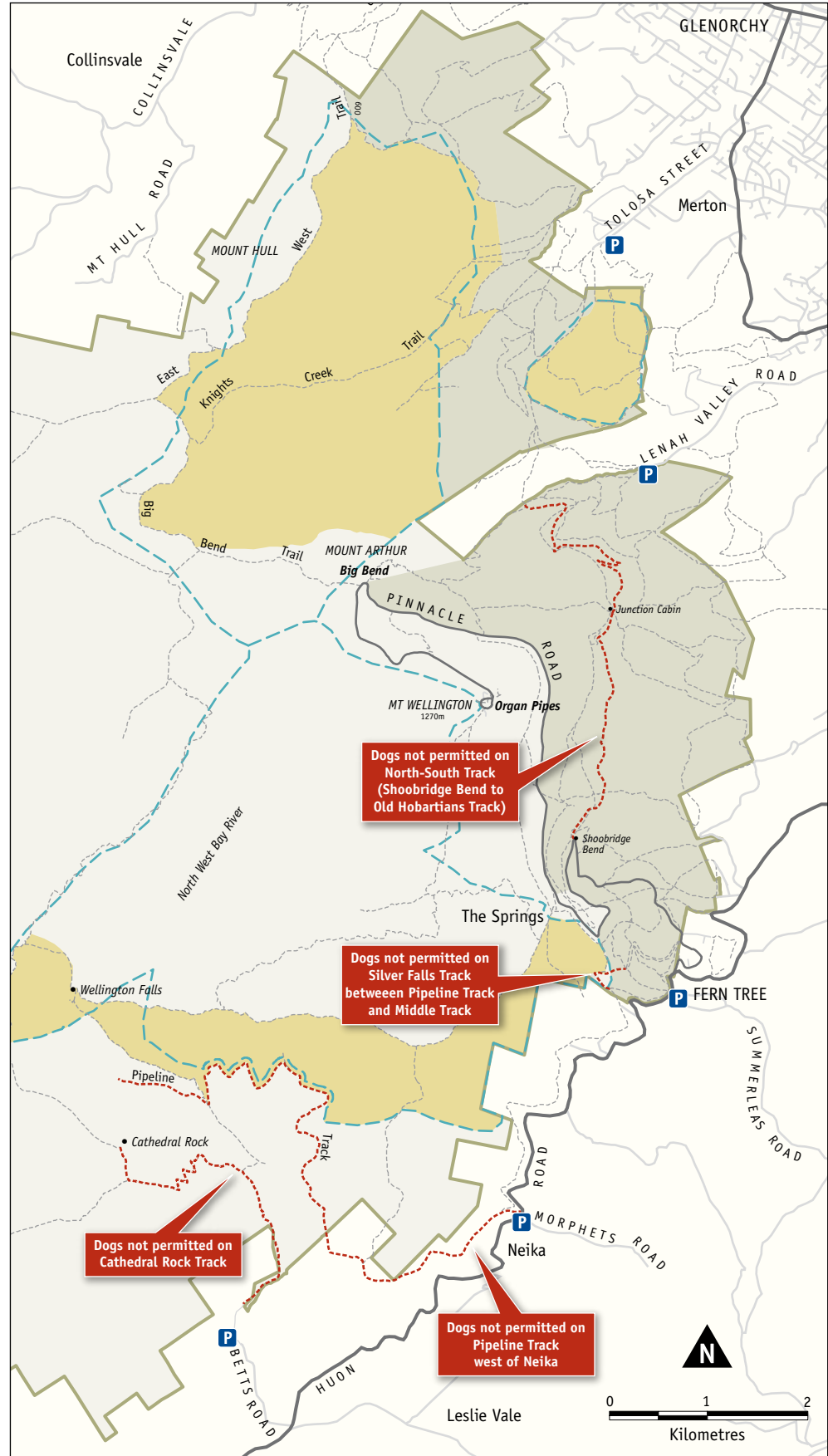
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**KEY**

- Recreation Zone (Dogs permitted on lead)
- Restricted Area (no public access)
- Park boundary
- Drinking Water Catchment Zone
- Walking tracks/fire trails

**Dogs are permitted on-lead only:**

- On tracks and trails in the 'Wellington Park Recreation Zone' (unless otherwise signposted or notified)
- On Radfords Track
- On the Pipeline Track ONLY between Fern Tree and Neika
- To the Pinnacle (Mt Wellington) if confined in a vehicle
- Springs parking area ONLY to gain access to surrounding permitted tracks



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