



The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties, etc.) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012 No. 114)

The Dogs on Leads (Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council) Order 2025

Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council makes the following Order -

Commencement

1. This Order comes into operation on **1st January 2026**

Application

2. This Order applies to the land specified in Schedule

Offence

3. (1) Any person in charge of a dog is guilty of an offence if, at any time, on any land to which this Order applies the person does not keep the dog on a lead, unless;
(a) the person has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
(b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to the person failing to do so.

(2) For the purposes of this Article a person who habitually has a dog in their possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog.

Penalty

4. A person guilty of an offence under Article 3 is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

Revocation

5. From and after the date on which this Order comes into operation, the following Orders relating to the control of dogs on leads in designated areas shall be and are hereby revoked:-
 - (a) The Dogs on Leads Order made by Antrim Borough Council on 10th day of October 2013
 - (b) The Dogs on Lead Order made by Newtownabbey Borough Council on 24^h day of March 2014

Dated this 9th day of **December 2025**

The Common Seal of Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council

Affixed hereto in the presence of: -



Richard Baker

Chief Executive



Leah Kirkpatrick

The Mayor of Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council

SCHEDULE

This Order applies to the following lands within the Borough of Antrim and Newtownabbey:

Land	Extent to which restriction applies
Allotments	All allotments owned or maintained by Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council.
Anderson Park Play Park, Doagh	All green areas within the park to the perimeter of defined play areas. <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Antrim Castle Gardens, Antrim	Parterre Gardens Burial Ground Pleasure Gardens Ancient Motte Clotworthy House Platinum Jubilee Clockwork Garden Car Parks <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Antrim and Newtownabbey Crematorium, Newtownabbey	All grounds within the perimeter of the Crematorium including car park
Antrim Forum, Antrim	All green areas within the park to the perimeter of defined play areas including car park <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Antrim Stadium, Antrim	Pathway to the rear of the Antrim Stadium Grandstand leading from Lough Road, Antrim to the Six Mile Riverside Walk. <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this area)</i>
Ballyclare War Memorial Park, Ballyclare, Newtownabbey	All pathways and green areas within the park, to the perimeter of defined play areas, with the exception of the "Kick About Area" which is excluded. <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Ballyduff Community Centre , Ballyduff, Newtownabbey	All grounds within perimeter of the Community Centre
Ballynure War Memorial Park, Ballynure, Newtownabbey	All paths and green areas within the park to the perimeter of defined play areas, with the exception of the "Kick About Area" which is excluded. <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Burns Memorial Park, Crumlin	All paths, Green Areas and associated car park within the park and Leisure Centre area

	<p>to the perimeter of defined play areas.</p> <p><i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i></p>
Car Parks	All car parks owned or maintained by Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council.
Cemeteries /Burial Grounds	All cemeteries and burial grounds within the Borough of Antrim and Newtownabbey owned and maintained by the Council
From Mossley Mill (Carnmoney Road North entrance) to Manse Road	<p>All grounds and car parks within the perimeter fence of Mossley Mill (Carnmoney Road North entrance to Manse Road) with the exception of the "Courtyard," green area beside the Theatre at the Mill, which is excluded.</p> <p><i>(Dogs can be exercised off-lead in field lying between railway and Threemilewater adjacent to Newtownabbey Way)</i></p>
Council Grounds at Antrim Civic Centre, Antrim	All grounds and car parks within the perimeter fence of Antrim Civic Centre
Greystone Community Centre, Ballycraigy Road, Antrim	All grounds within the perimeter fence of the community centre and associated car parks
Hazelbank Park, Newtownabbey	<p>The Coronation Garden Car Parks</p> <p><i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i></p>
Jordanstown Loughshore Caravan Park. Jordanstown , Newtownabbey	All grounds within the perimeter of the Caravan Park
Six Mile Caravan Park, Antrim	All grounds within the perimeter of the Caravan Park
Lough Shore Park, Marina and Carpark, Lough Road, Antrim	<p>All grounds and car parks within the perimeter of Lough Shore park</p> <p><i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i></p>
Monkstown Community Centre, 3G and Grass Pitches, Monkstown, Newtownabbey	Grounds within perimeter fence of Community Centre including Northern Ireland Centenary Garden and Monkstown Community Garden and area surrounding playing fields
Mossley Pavilion Park and Community Centre, Mossley, Newtownabbey	<p>Grounds within perimeter of Community Centre and associated car park.</p> <p>Pathway leading from Manse Way to Carnmoney Road North</p>

	<i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Muckamore Community Centre, Ballycraigy Road, Antrim	Grounds within perimeter of community centre and associated car park
Neillsbrook Community Centre, Neillsbrook Road, Randalstown	Grounds within perimeter of community centre and associated car parks <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Parkhall Community Centre, Seacash Drive, Antrim	Grounds within perimeter of community centre and associated car park
Rathenraw Community Centre, Ballygore Road, Antrim	Grounds within perimeter of community centre and associated car park
Sixmile Leisure Centre, Ballyclare	Grounds within perimeter of community centre and associated car park
Sixmile Leisure Centre Conservation and Wildlife Area, Ballyclare, Newtownabbey	All paths and green areas within the conservation and wildlife area and associated car parks <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Sixmile Park car-park at Mill Road, Ballyclare, Newtownabbey	Car-park area from Mill Road entrance to bridge crossing to main park
Stiles Community Centre, Fountain Hill, Antrim	Grounds within perimeter of community centre and associated car park
The Diamond, Rathcoole, Newtownabbey	All open space surrounding the grass pitches within "The Diamond" area. <i>(NB: Dogs are excluded from all playing surfaces)</i>
Threemilewater Park, Newtownabbey	Car park area (off Doagh Road) and all ground to perimeter of Grass Sports Pitches, MUGA and Tennis Courts <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
V36	All car parks associated with V36 <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Valley Leisure Centre	Grounds within perimeter of Leisure Centre and associated car park
Valley Park, Newtownabbey	Car park at O'Neill Road entrance <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>

Wallace Park, Lylehill Road, Templepatrick, Antrim	All paths and ground to perimeter of play park and 3G Pitch including car park, with the exception of the kick about area which is excluded <i>(NB: Dog exclusion areas exist in this park)</i>
Whiteabbey Green, Whiteabbey, Newtownabbey	All paths and green areas within the area including car park