

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNDERLAND

THE CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 2005
The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties, etc.) Regulations 2006

THE DOGS EXCLUSION (CITY OF SUNDERLAND) ORDER 2014

The Council of the City of Sunderland (in this Order called "the Authority") hereby makes the following Order :

1. This Order comes into force on 18th October 2014.
2. This Order applies to the land specified in Schedule 1 below.

Offence

3. (1) A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, during the periods specified in Schedule 2, he takes the dog onto, or permits the dog to enter or to remain on, any land to which this Order applies unless-
 - (a) he 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 his failing to so.
- (2) Nothing in this article applies to a person who-
 - (a) is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948; or
 - (b) is deaf, in respect of a dog trained by Hearing Dogs for Deaf People (registered charity number 293358) and upon which he relies for assistance; or
 - (c) has a disability which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical co-ordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects, in respect of a dog trained by a prescribed charity and upon which he relies for assistance.
- (3) For the purposes of this article-
 - (a) a person who habitually has a dog in his 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; and
 - (b) each of the following is a "prescribed charity"-
 - (i) Dogs for the Disabled (registered charity number 700454);
 - (ii) Support Dogs (registered charity number 1088281);
 - (iii) Canine Partners for Independence (registered charity number 803680)

Penalty

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

Dated 2nd October 2014

THE SEAL of THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF SUNDERLAND was
hereunto affixed in the
presence of:-


Authorised Signatory

62037A SEAL NO.

SCHEDULE 1

(Specification/description of land, or lands, to which the Order applies)

This Order applies to all land maintained by the Authority signed at its entrance(s) or otherwise marked as a "dog exclusion area" (whether the sign uses those particular words or words and/or symbols having like effect) which is:-

- (a) enclosed designated children's play areas;
- (b) enclosed multisports areas (MUGA's), sporting and other recreational facilities; and
- (c) identified areas of the beaches/foreshore and any slope or staircase leading thereto.

SCHEDULE 2

(Specification of times or periods during which the Offence is to apply)

In relation to paragraphs (a) and (b) of Schedule 1 the Offence applies at all times all year round.

In relation to paragraph (c) of Schedule 1 the Offence applies at all times between 1st May and 30th September inclusive in any year.