



The following is the Santa Barbara Municipal Code (SBMC) pertaining to Animals on Airport Property as well as reference to SBMC 6.08.020:

18.08.170 Animals.

A. ANIMALS PROHIBITED IN AIRPORT AIRLINE TERMINAL AND ON AIRFIELD. It is unlawful to enter the Airport Airline terminal or Airfield with a domestic or wild animal except for domestic animals allowed in subsection D of this section or without the permission of the Airport Director.

B. HUNTING AND FISHING ON AIRPORT PROPERTY PROHIBITED. It is unlawful to hunt or fish on the Airport property.

C. HORSE RIDING ON AIRPORT PROPERTY PROHIBITED. It is unlawful to ride or walk a horse on the Airport property except as necessary to transport such animal by air.

D. PERMITTED DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

1. Animals Permitted in Airline Terminal or Airfield. Domestic animals may be allowed in the Airline Terminal and on the Airfield in the following circumstances:

- a. An assistance animal for a disabled person;
- b. A person entering the Airline Terminal for the purpose of air travel with a domestic animal that is confined within an approved pet transport;
- c. A person entering the Air Operations Area, for the purpose of air travel via a private or charter Aircraft, with a domestic animal that is restrained by a leash or is otherwise confined so as to be completely under control; or
- d. An animal accompanying a law enforcement officer.

2. Domestic Animals Permitted on the Airport Property Except Airline Terminal and Airfield. Domestic animals may be allowed on the Airport property in the following circumstances:

- a. Domestic animals, if the keeping of domestic animals is specifically permitted by an agreement entered into between the City of Santa Barbara and a person or entity for the rental or other occupancy of the Airport property. Such domesticated animals must be at all times restrained by a leash or confined in a kennel or other appropriate enclosure; or
- b. Domestic animals kept in accordance with Section 6.08.020 of the municipal code.

E. PROPER DISPOSAL OF ANIMAL WASTE. All animal waste must be immediately removed from the Airport property and disposed of properly.

F. ANIMALS MAY BE PROHIBITED BY AIRPORT DIRECTOR. Animals determined by the Airport Director, in his or her absolute discretion, to be an annoyance or a risk to the health and safety of the public shall



be immediately and permanently removed from the Airport property. (Ord. 5390, 2006; Ord. 5203, 2001; Ord. 3480 §2, 1971)

6.08.020 Animals Running at Large and Grazing Prohibited - Exception - Nuisance.

A. **ANIMALS AT LARGE.** It is unlawful for any person owning or having possession, charge, custody or control of any animal, to cause or permit or allow the same to stray or run, or in any other manner to be at large in or upon any unenclosed lot or place. Whenever an animal is found running at large, the same shall constitute prima facie evidence that the owner permitted it to run at large. It shall likewise be unlawful for any person owning or having possession, charge, custody or control of any animal to cause or permit or allow the same to be staked out, or to herd or graze any animal upon any unenclosed private lot or land in such a manner that the rope or other attachment by which such animal is tethered may permit such animal to be or to go beyond the boundaries of the unenclosed private lot or land. Any animal, suffered or permitted to be at large, or otherwise to be within the City in violation of the provisions of this title, is declared to be a public nuisance.

B. **DOGS IN PUBLIC.** No dog is permitted upon a street or other public place unless on a leash not in excess of six feet in length and under the immediate care and control of the owner or other person having the care and custody thereof, except during supervised dog training classes, shows or exhibitions held in City Parks when authorized by a Park Use Permit issued by the Parks and Recreation Department.

C. **OFF-LEASH DOG AREAS IN CITY PARKS AND BEACH.** Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, properly licensed and tagged dogs without vicious, dangerous or aggressive propensities and which are healthy and not in heat may be exercised off-leash within the areas designated in paragraph 2 below if under the care, custody or control of a person responsible for the off-leash dog.

1. **Responsible Person.** A person having possession, charge, custody or control of the off-leash dog must remain present with the off-leash dog at all times, must carry a leash, must leash the dog at the first sign of aggression, must clean up dog feces created by the dog, and bears full responsibility for filling any holes and repairing any damage created by the dog. The person responsible for the off-leash dog must comply with rules and regulations regarding the park, and must remove the dog when the off-leash dog park is closed.

2. **Off-Leash Dog Areas.** Dogs may be exercised off-leash in the following areas:

a. Douglas Family Preserve, within the area posted by the Parks and Recreation Department in accordance with the resolution adopted by the City Council.

b. Elings Park, subject to the rules and regulations of the operator of the park.

c. Hale Park.

d. On the beach from the Shoreline Park Staircase west to the eastern edge of the Arroyo Burro Estuary.



e. MacKenzie Park in fenced designated off-leash area.

D. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION. Any violation of this section will be charged and prosecuted as an infraction. If the person charged hereunder has been previously convicted of violating this section and the animal at large bites, attacks or causes injury to any person or other animal, the violation of this section may be charged and prosecuted as an infraction or a misdemeanor in accordance with Section 1.28.010 of this Code. The Animal Control Supervisor and all animal control officers, park rangers and police officers shall have the duty and the authority to enforce this section. (Ord. 5906, 2019; Ord. 5323, 2004; Ord. 5218, 2002; Ord. 5049, 1998; Ord. 4621, 1990; Ord. 4460, 1987; Ord. 4346, 1985; Ord. 3744, 1975)