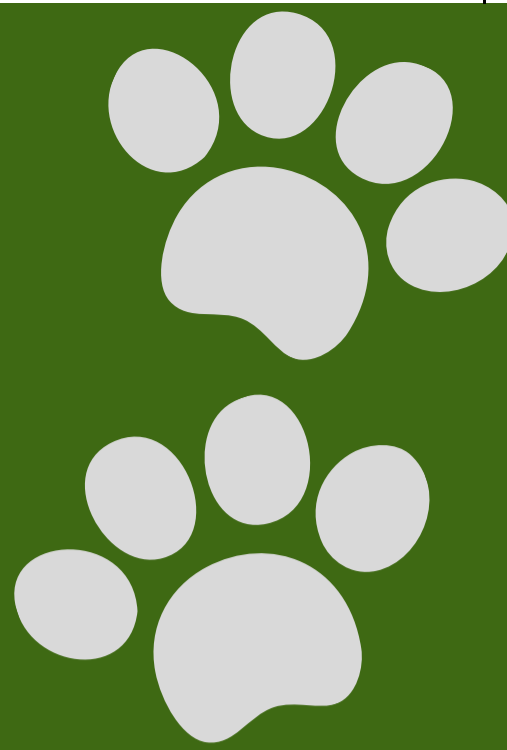


# CONNEMARA NATIONAL PARK & DOGS

Guidelines for a visit with your dog



## PLAN AHEAD AND PREPARE

### Bringing your dog outdoors

Always bringing a lead and a waste bag is essential. Dogs should be on a lead at all times in the Park. Please clean up after your dog and bring your waste home with you.

## OTHER VISITORS IN THE PARK

### Being considerate of others

Being mindful of other visitors with a fear of dogs and other visitors with dogs is important. Having your dog on a lead is necessary, particularly in consideration of other visitors using the trails and around the Visitor Centre.

## WILDLIFE & FARM ANIMALS

### Respecting the surroundings

Keeping your dog on a lead at all times is very important, especially as they may encounter wildlife and/or farm animals in the Park. Using a lead is necessary to prevent your dog running free and potentially chasing or scaring animals in the Park.

## DOG FOULING

### Cleaning up after your dog

Dog faeces can pose a risk of ill health to those that come in contact with it, especially children.

Did you know?

*Toxocara canis* (a roundworm) is a parasite that lives in the small intestines of dogs; eggs are excreted in the faeces. Eggs surviving for years in soil or sand, could be ingested and toxocariasis may develop. This infection can cause blindness, among other ill effects. All dog faeces should be collected and disposed of correctly.



## ENJOY YOUR VISIT

### Being responsible

Keeping your dog under control at all times is your legal responsibility. We ask visitors to have their dog on a lead in the Park. Although dogs are welcome in the Park, only service dogs are allowed inside the buildings.

For more information on being a responsible dog owner please visit:  
<http://www.galway.ie/en/services/more/vet/dogs/>

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