






# Taking care of your dog in the New Forest

Your dog cannot tell you how it is feeling. Here are a few tips to keep you and your dog happy in the forest:

-  In summer avoid exercising your dog in the hottest part of the day
-  On very hot days remember that pavements and sand can burn your dog's paws
-  Keep your exercise consistent. If your dog isn't used to much exercise it may struggle to run with you on a bike ride around the Forest
-  Have clean water available for your dog to drink
-  Know the signs of heatstroke and watch out for them
-  Make sure your dog's tag and microchip data is up to date. Always use a collar and ID tag when out.

If you lose your dog ring the Dog Warden on 023 8028 5000 and report it to NFDORG on 07775 252640 who will spread the word to members who may be able to help.

# Walking Your Dog

## Please enjoy the New Forest responsibly

-  Do not allow your dog to chase livestock or wildlife
-  Always keep your dog under control and within sight. For safety it must be trained and return immediately when called
-  Use a lead if necessary
-  Keep to the main tracks when birds are nesting on the ground (usually March to July)
-  Pick up after your dog and dispose responsibly
-  Be considerate to other forest users

Any accident involving livestock must be reported by law to the Police.

Please also report any incidents, urgently in the case of injured livestock, to the Verderers (Mon-Fri 9-5) on 023 8028 2052 or Forestry England (24 hours) on 0300 067 4600.

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