

CITY OF MELBOURNE BOWLS CLUB

Pet Management Policy



Purpose

This policy sets out how pets are managed at City of Melbourne Bowls Club (CoMBC). The purpose of this policy is to ensure that members manage their pets for the safety and enjoyment of all who attend the club. City of Melbourne Bowls Club is committed to the safety of staff, members and guests who attend CoMBC. This policy applies any time a pet enters the CoMBC premises.

Compliance

This policy places the owner in charge of their animal and responsible for its behaviour. Pets must be placed in an area where they do not pose a trip hazard. Any pet attending CoMBC must comply with the rules below:

- All pets must be on a lead and under the control of their owner.
- No pets are permitted inside the club house.
- The club has a zero tolerance for pets displaying anti-social or aggressive behaviour.
- No pets permitted for non-members.

N.B: Exemptions apply to assistance animals in line with the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and Equal Opportunity Act 2010.

All members with pets are expected to ensure their pet is compliant with these rules.

Under Venue Manager direction:

- **Any pet that does not comply with these rules will be removed from the premises until further guidance is provided by the Board.**

Under CoMBC Board direction:

- **Any pet that does not comply with these rules will be permanently removed from the premises.**
- **Any pet displaying anti-social or aggressive behaviour will be banned from CoMBC.**

This policy is in line with City of Melbourne dog policy for Flagstaff Gardens. Flagstaff gardens is not a dog off lead park/gardens. This approach provides a consistent application of animal management.

Policy Review and Document Control

This policy will be reviewed biennially to ensure it remains relevant to club operations and reflects both community expectations and legal requirements. Next policy review date is January 2024.

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Approval

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