

115-8-10. Pets; provisions and restrictions. (a) Pets shall be allowed but shall not be permitted to enter into any of the following:

(1) Areas that are posted as swimming beaches or swimming areas that are delineated by buoys or other markers;

(2) public buildings, except designated public-use department cabins; or

(3) public structures.

(b) Pets shall be controlled at all times by using any of the following:

(1) Hand-held lead not more than 10 feet in length;

(2) tethered chain or leash not more than 10 feet in length. The pet shall be under the direct observation of and control by the owner; or

(3) confined to a cage, pen, vehicle, trailer, privately owned cabin, or designated public-use department cabin.

(c) The requirements of subsection (b) shall not apply to dogs while being used during and as a part of any of the following acts or activities:

(1) Hunting during open hunting seasons on lands or waters open for hunting;

(2) authorized field trial events;

(3) noncommercial training of hunting dogs subject to any provisions or restrictions as established by posted notice;

(4) special events or activities as authorized by the department; or

(5) working as a “guide dog,” “hearing assistance dog,” or “service dog,” as defined in K.S.A. 39-1113 and amendments thereto.

(d) Guide dogs, hearing assistance dogs, and service dogs shall not be restricted by the requirements of subsection (a). (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Dec. 4, 1989; amended Sept. 12, 2008; amended Nov. 14, 2011.)