



Exploring the local area

- When exploring further afield, please ensure your dog is kept under control at all times, so it does not scare or disturb farm animals, roaming animals or wildlife. For your and your dog's safety, do not allow your dog to approach sheep or cattle as, no matter how harmless your dog, other animals can easily be 'spooked' by him. Familiarise yourself with the 'You and Your Dog in the Countryside' leaflet, which forms part of the Countryside Code and provides advice on how to manage your dog in the countryside, available at www.caravanclub.co.uk/dogs.
- Never let your dog out of your sight when on a walk, and ensure it is trained to come back immediately when called.
- Be sensitive to notices in the countryside requesting your dog be kept on a lead at certain times or when around certain animals. Please also respect signs asking you to keep your dog away from certain areas. Dogs do not have to be put on a lead on public footpaths, although it is recommended they are if their obedience cannot be relied upon. In open countryside, the law requires dogs to be kept on a lead of no more than 2 metres between 1 March - 31 July, and at all times near farm animals.

- Always clean up after your dog and dispose of waste in designated dog bins for the health and safety of all. When walking in the countryside ensure you carry waste bags and dispose of these in dog bins. Never leave used waste bags behind – if necessary, take them with you to the nearest designated dog bin or general litter bin.
- Be considerate to other people enjoying the same area, particularly children at play and picnickers.

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For more information, you can also contact:

- RSPCA at www.rspca.org.uk or on **0300 1234 555**
- Dogs Trust (formerly National Canine Defence League) at www.dogstrust.org.uk or on **020 7837 0006**
- Natural England and the Countryside Code at www.naturalengland.org.uk

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Visiting Club Sites with Dogs



Helping you and your dog enjoy your stay





Choosing which sites to visit

Caravan Club sites are particularly suitable for holidays with pets, and many have specific dog walks on site or very close by. Please use the 'UK site search & book' function at www.caravanclub.co.uk or your Sites Directory & Handbook to find one of these sites. Although there is no compulsion to only use sites with dog walks when travelling with your pet, this is one way in which The Club can add to the enjoyment of your holiday.

Getting there safely

- Please ensure that your dog is safe and secure whilst travelling in your car or motor caravan, for the safety of you, your dog and passengers. If you do not have an estate or hatchback with a dog guard, a range of folding mesh wire cages and seat belt harnesses is available from quality pet stores.
- Do ensure your dog always wears its collar and tag in case it runs away from your car or motor caravan.
- Stop every few hours to give your dog a drink and exercise.

Around a third of Caravan Club members own dogs and enjoy their company whilst caravanning. Dogs are welcome on all Club sites, which make ideal destinations when holidaying with pets, at no extra charge. This leaflet provides guidance for all dog owners visiting Club sites to follow, for the safety and enjoyment of everyone on site.

Good behaviour by dogs on site is a requirement of the Club Site Rules (number 13), which can be found at www.caravanclub.co.uk/siterules or in The Caravan Club Sites Directory & Handbook. All visitors are expected to abide by these rules and to respect the comfort and convenience of other site users in line with Club Site Rule 4, and should be aware that Wardens are entitled to take appropriate action if they do not.

Responsible behaviour on site

- Please ensure your dog is kept under control at all times.
- Do not let your dog foul the pitch or the site in any way. Should this be unavoidable, or when using the dog walk, please clean up afterwards using a dog bag and place the waste into one of the dog bins located around the site.
- Please keep your dog on a lead at all times while on site, except in designated dog walk areas where free roaming is permitted. Leads should be no longer than 3 metres (10 feet).
- Keep your dog secured on your pitch whilst you are there, with a cage (floorless acceptable), or with a lead or tether no longer than 3 metres (10 feet), to ensure it cannot stray on to adjacent pitches or inconvenience other people.
- Please avoid leaving your dog alone in your car, outfit, awning or tent at any time, especially on hot days when temperatures can quickly build up and become extremely dangerous or even fatal for animals.
- Ensure your dog has access to shade and water at all times.
- Make sure your dog does not disturb others by discouraging barking and other forms of anti-social canine behaviour. Be aware that not everyone else is as fond of your dog as you are, so please make sure it does not pester or jump up at people.
- Do not take your dog to the toilet blocks, laundry rooms, dishwashing or vegetable preparation areas or swimming pools (where applicable). Only assistance dogs (guide dogs and hearing dogs) are permitted in the blocks.



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Caravan Club Site*