

# Paws to Play Dog Daycare

*We make your pet part of our family*

*Please keep this for future reference, as it contains important information about daycare,  
Important phone numbers and daycare procedures.*

## Hours and phone number

Monday–Friday from 7:00am–5:00pm

Saturday 9:00am – 5:00pm

No Drop off's after 3:00pm

Office number is (509) 545-6761

E-mail address: daycare@pawstoplaypasco.com

## New Dogs:

New dogs (regularly attending for less than 2 months) should be dropped off in the morning and only stay 2-3 hours, slowly increasing the time spent at daycare. No new dogs are allowed after 12:00. This allows them learn the rules and to gain the confidence and endurance for longer days.

No drop off's (even for our regular attendees) are allowed past 3:00 pm as most play activity happens between 7:00 am-2:00 pm. In the afternoon the group is too tired to play with an excited dog entering the group at the end of the day.

## Saturdays:

Saturday daycare attendance is for our experienced daycare dogs only please.

## Fees

“Pay as you go” = \$4.75 per hour per dog (*new dogs*)

Pre-pay Packages: Enjoy the savings!!

- 30 hours for \$135 (\$4.50 per hour) **Save \$7.50**
- 50 hours for \$190.00 (\$3.80 per hour) **Save \$47.50**
- 105 hours for \$375.00 (\$3.58 per hour) **Save \$123.75**

## Drop-off at Daycare Center

Please have your dog on leash. You can use the potty yard next to the entrance to separate dogs during entrance and exit. When you enter the lobby, wait for daycare staff to take your dog to the play area. The play area is for staff only.

## Pick-up at Daycare Center

When you enter the lobby, clock out your dog and have your leash ready to secure your pet.

Do not call and/or whistle to the dogs as your enter or wait for your dog to brought to you. A staff member will process your payment, then bring your dog to the lobby, ask him/her for a sit, then release your dog to you. Please exit with your dog on leash.

## A note about safety

All dogs must enter and exit on leash. A collar or harness with a plastic snap buckle with a name tag is required. (*not a belt buckle style*)

## Behavior Assessment & Trial 2 hours:

Registration for daycare attendance is scheduled in person. Introduction days are Monday thru Friday at 10:00am. Introducing **1 (one)** Saturday a month starting in February 2019. Please check with staff for available scheduling.

Registration is \$15. Please bring a copy of your dog's fecal results, most recent vaccinations and proof of a well pet exam within 12 months. The registration fee covers: A behavior evaluation by a canine behaviorist, introducing your dog to the group one by one and a staff member focused on your dog only for this first day.

Your dog will need to stay for two hours for a full evaluation. Your dog will be allowed to join the play group if no issues arise. If necessary, we will give you a call and place your dog in a holding run until you are able to pick him/her up.

## Watching your dog play

You are welcome to watch your dog play.

- You may go to BlyLee's to view the daycare from the TV monitor in the lobby.
- Find us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram!](#) There are videos and photos on our facebook page of the dogs enjoying their time at the daycare.

## The importance of regularity

Regular attendance is critical to your dog's ability to adjust to the play group routines and allows your dog to become familiar with the other dogs and the staff, making a fun and safe experience. There is not a minimum amount of time required however, we do recommend at least a few hours a week to start.

Basic manners and appropriate play skills are a vital part of healthy interactions with staff and other dogs. All dogs in the daycare are immersed in appropriate shaping of those skills while they are here. This is done with reward based positive reinforcement, verbal markers, redirection, and time-outs as needed.

## Possible reasons for expulsion from Daycare

Sometimes it may be necessary to turn a dog away or inform the owner that their dog is no long able to attend.

Here are some possible reasons:

- Aggressive behavior
- Excessive mounting
- Excessive barking
- Medical issues
- Not a good fit for you or your dog's needs.

We will work with you on identifying and correcting any of these issues, but sometimes it just is not a good fit for the client and their dog.

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## **Daycare Health Requirements**

- We will need to have proof of examination by a licensed veterinarian at least 1 year prior to admittance. Yearly proof of examination is required thereafter.
- A fecal test with a negative result for all internal parasites (*including Giardia*) within six months prior to admittance and every six months thereafter (*must be provided by a licensed veterinarian*).
- All dogs over 4 months of age will be considered. They must also meet the vaccination requirements and pass a temperament test. All dogs must be spayed or neutered by 7 months of age. There is a two week minimum waiting period for healing after surgery, before your dog can return to daycare.

### **Vaccinations:**

4 months to 1 year: Must have a 3 vaccination series against Distemper and Parvo (*with the first vaccine being no earlier than 6 weeks old and the last one at 16 weeks*) given at 3-4 week intervals until a total of 3 vaccines have been given OR a \*titer test showing immunity to Distemper and Parvo prior to admittance. The last vaccination has to be given 10-14 days or more prior to admittance to dog daycare.

Greater than one year: Vaccination against Distemper and Parvo after one year of age (if had vaccination series given at less than six months of age), or a protective blood titer against Distemper and Parvo prior to admittance. If your dog did not have vaccinations before one year of age, then it needs to have a vaccination at least one month prior to admittance or have a blood titer test showing immunity to Distemper and Parvo prior to admittance.

Two years and older: Proof of Distemper and Parvo vaccination every three years OR a protective blood titer for Distemper and Parvo every three years.

Eight Years and Older: Distemper and Parvo vaccinations are not required after eight years of age, but Distemper and Parvo titer are required at eight years or over if there is no previous history of regular vaccination, when first admitted to daycare.

Rabies: Current Rabies certificate required to prove vaccination by six months of age and a Rabies booster at one year after first vaccination. Then every three years in accordance with state law.

- A **titer** is a test done on the blood which indicates levels of immune response against distemper and Parvo. This potentially eliminates the need for vaccination boosters on dogs who are protected.
- Requirements can be waived if health conditions preclude vaccinating. In order for requirements to be waived, a protective blood titer must be shown prior to admittance.