

OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

REMOVAL OF CANINE FAECES FROM PLEASURE GROUNDS ("POOP SCOOP")

Byelaws made by the Oxford City Council under Section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875 with respect to pleasure grounds.

EXTENT

1. (1) These byelaws apply to the pleasure grounds named in the schedule and hereafter referred to as "the grounds".
- (2) Notice of the effect of these byelaws shall be given by signs placed in conspicuous positions in or near each of the grounds.

INTERPRETATION

2. (1) In these byelaws:

"the Council" means the Oxford City Council.
- (2) For the purpose of these byelaws the keeper of the dog shall be deemed in charge thereof, unless at the time when the dog fouled the grounds it had been placed in or taken into the charge of some other person.
- (3) In paragraph (2) above "the keeper" shall include the owner of the dog or any person who habitually has it in his possession.

REMOVAL OF CANINE FAECES

3. Every person (other than a registered blind, person) in charge of a dog which is in the grounds who, without reasonable excuse, fails to remove forthwith from the grounds any faeces deposited by the dog shall be guilty of an offence.
4. For the purposes of compliance with byelaw 3 the following provisions shall apply:
 - (a) it shall be a sufficient removal from the grounds if the faeces are deposited in a receptacle within the grounds which has been provided for that purpose by the Council;
 - (b) without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing it shall not be a reasonable excuse that a person in charge of a dog did not have with him

any means of removal of the faeces.

REMOVAL OF OFFENDERS

5. Any person offending against byelaw 3 may be removed from the grounds by any officer of the Council or any police officer.

PENALTY

6. Any person offending against byelaw 3 shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding Level 2 on the standard scale.

SCHEDULE

The "Grounds" referred to in Byelaw 1 are as follows:-

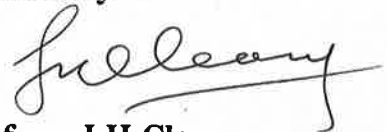
<u>Name of Ground</u>	<u>Position of Ground</u>
Hinksey Park	Abingdon Road, Oxford
Margaret Road Recreation Ground	Margaret Road, Headington, Oxford

THE COMMON SEAL of THE)
OXFORD CITY COUNCIL)
was hereunto affixed by order)
of the Council this 15th day of)
September 1994 in the)
presence of:-)

Joanna C. Davis
Head of Legal and Committee Services

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The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Environment and shall come into force on 1 January 1995



Signed by authority of
the Secretary of State
26th November 1994

J H Cleary
An Assistant Secretary in the
Department of the Environment