PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDERS

Some PSPOs contain restrictions on the consumption of alcohol or access to areas of public highway by means of alleygating.

These can be found by visiting:
www.eastriding.gov.uk

This means that you are not allowed to drink alcohol in the area. If an officer from Humberside Police asks you to stop drinking and pour away the alcohol or asks you to give it to them you should do this. If you have sealed containers of alcohol with you and the officer thinks that you may drink this in the area, he may also ask you to pour it away or hand it over to him so he can dispose of it. If you do not, you may receive a £75 Fixed Penalty Notice or, upon summary conviction, a fine not exceeding £500.

If a person enters an area to which access is prohibited or restricted by a Public Spaces Protection Order during any specified times, they may receive a £75 Fixed Penalty Notice or, upon summary conviction, a fine not exceeding £1,000.

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INTRODUCTION

Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs) assist in dealing with nuisance in relation to the control of dogs, consumption of alcohol or access to certain public areas that are detrimental to the local communities way of life, by imposing conditions on the use of that area which apply to everyone. They are designed to ensure the law-abiding majority can use public spaces, safe from anti-social behaviour.

When considering the introduction of the Orders East Riding of Yorkshire Council has taken into account the needs of those in charge of dogs and the interests of those affected by dogs with emphasis, in particular, placed on the needs of children to have access to dog free areas and also the need for those in charge of dogs to have access to areas where they can exercise their dogs without unnecessary restrictions.

THE FOULING OF LAND BY DOGS

This makes it an offence if a dog defecates at any time on any land in the open air within the East Riding of Yorkshire to which the public have access (with or without payment) and the person who is in charge of the dog at that time fails to remove the faeces forthwith.

In the first instance this offence may be dealt with by way of a fixed penalty notice of £75. Failure to pay the fixed penalty notice may result in further legal action being taken against the person who was in charge of the dog at the time.

It is a defence if a person in charge of a dog has been given permission to enter and remain on land by the owner, occupier, other person or authority who has control of that land. It is also a defence if a person in control of a dog at the time.

Nothing in the Orders (with reference to dog fouling) apply to a person who is registered as a blind person or has a disability for which he relies upon an assistance dog trained by a prescribed charity.

DOGS ON LEADS

These Orders include cemeteries and churchyards in various areas in the East Riding of Yorkshire which are included in the Orders which is available on the East Riding of Yorkshire Council website www.eastriding.gov.uk or can be requested by telephoning (01482) 393939.

This makes it an offence for a person in charge of a dog to fail to keep the dog on a lead, at any time, on any land from which dogs not on a lead are excluded.

In the first instance this offence may be dealt with by way of a fixed penalty notice of £75. Failure to pay the fixed penalty notice may result in further legal action being taken against the person who was in control of the dog at the time.

It is a defence if a person in charge of a dog which is not on a lead has been given permission to enter and remain on land by the owner, occupier, other person or authority who has control of that land. It is also a defence if a person in control of a dog at the time.

Nothing in the Orders (with reference to dog fouling) apply to a person who is registered as a blind person or has a disability for which he relies upon an assistance dog trained by a prescribed charity.

DOG EXCLUSION

This makes it an offence for a person in charge of a dog to take the dog onto or allow the dog to enter or remain on land from which dogs are excluded.

The Public Spaces Protection Orders apply to beaches, children’s play areas and grounds of educational establishments as set out as follows. The order applies to the following beaches from 1 May to 30 September:

- Bridlington North Beach (between the northern end of North Marine Promenade and the north-eastern face of the North Pier).
- Bridlington South Beach (between the southern face of the South Pier and the eastern face of Princess Mary Promenade Sea Wall).
- Hornsea Beach (between the concrete ramp at Headland View and the steps south of Sands Lane).
- Withernsea Beach (between the first groyne north of the access ramp opposite Seaside Road and the beach access steps at Pier Tower).

The orders apply at all times to all enclosed children’s play areas which are, or form part of, land included in the Orders which is available on the East Riding of Yorkshire Council website: www.eastriding.gov.uk or can be requested by telephoning (01482) 393939.

The orders apply at all times to all grounds of educational establishments within the administrative area of East Riding of Yorkshire Council included in the Orders which is also available on East Riding of Yorkshire Council website or by calling the above number.

In the first instance this offence may be dealt with by way of a fixed penalty notice of £75. Failure to pay the fixed penalty notice may result in further legal action being taken against the person who was in control of the dog at the time.

It is a defence if a person in charge of a dog has been given permission to enter and remain on land by the owner, occupier, other person or authority who has control of that land. It is also a defence if a person in charge of a dog has a reasonable excuse for entering or remaining on that land.

Nothing in the Orders apply to a person who is registered as a blind person or has a disability for which he relies upon an assistance dog trained by a prescribed charity.