

THE CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 2005

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties, etc) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/1059)

THE DOGS ON A LEAD BY DIRECTION (ROCHFORD) ORDER 2008

The Rochford District Council hereby makes the following Order.

- 1 This Order comes into force on the 11th day of August 2008.
- 2 This Order applies to the land specified in the Schedule
- 3 In this Order 'an authorised officer of the Authority' means an employee of the Authority who is authorised in writing by the Authority for the purpose of giving directions under this Order.

Offence

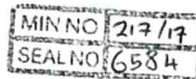
- 4 (1) A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, on any land to which this Order applies, he does not comply with a direction given him by an authorised officer of the Authority to put and keep the dog on a lead, unless:-
 - (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
 - (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his failing to do so.
- (2) For the purposes of this article:-
 - (a) a person who habitually has a dog in his possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog.
 - (b) An authorised officer of the Authority may only give a direction under this Order to put and keep a dog on a lead if such restraint is reasonably necessary to prevent a nuisance or behaviour by the dog likely to cause annoyance or disturbance to any other person (on any land to which this Order applies) or the worrying or disturbance or any animal or bird.

Penalty

- 5 A person who is guilty of an offence under article 3 shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

THE COMMON SEAL OF
ROCHFORD DISTRICT
COUNCIL

hereunto affixed in the presence
of:-



A Law
Assistant Director – Legal
Services

Schedule 1- Dog on leads in specified areas

1. Subject to the exemption in paragraph 2 below:
 - a) Each and every length of road (which term includes pavements or footways) in the Rochford District except public footpaths and bridleways; and
 - b) The following public open spaces –
 - i. Pooles Lane recreation ground, Hullbridge
 - ii. Marylands Nature Reserve, Hockley
 - iii. Kendall Park, Hullbridge
2. Excepted from the description in paragraph 1 above is land that is placed at the disposal of the Forestry Commissioners under section 39(1) of the Forestry Act 1967.