Help us protect the sensitive coastal ecosystems at the Crane Estate. Unfortunately, “dogs being dogs” can harm local wildlife, and dog poop can contaminate shellfish and other marine species living near shore. We want to make sure that your experiences here are safe and enjoyable, while at the same time respecting our conservation efforts.

Facing persistent violations, we are working with the Town of Ipswich to evaluate our dog policy at the Crane Estate. Please help us to continue to offer the “No Leash Zone” by:

- Sticking to the mapped zones and rules (see reverse)
- Encouraging other visitors with dogs to play by the rules
- Reporting violations to a ranger, gate attendant, or other Trustees staff member

NOTE: Visitors who violate the regulations are subject to removal from the property, and may also be subject to citation and fine under Town of Ipswich Bylaws.

To report a violation of the dog regulations, call the Crane Beach Front Gate at 978.412.2589
Crane Estate Dog Regulations

- One person may walk no more than two dogs, each with their own leash
- Dogs are not allowed on dunes, trails, or at Castle Hill
- Dogs must remain in sight at all times
- Dog waste must be picked up and properly disposed of
- The Trustees may require all dogs be leashed for all or part of the day if the area is crowded
- Per state and federal law, service dogs are allowed at the Crane Estate (does not include comfort or emotional support animals outside of the regulations)

Inside the No Leash Zone
- Dogs must be close enough to obey voice command
- Dogs must not approach other visitors unless invited

Outside the No Leash Zone
- Dogs must be leashed at all times, including in the parking area and boardwalks
- Dogs must remain below the high tide line at all times
- Electronic leashes may not be substituted for a physical leash

Off-Season Dog Zones at the Crane Estate
Valid October 1 - March 31

No dogs allowed April 1 - September 30