### **ORDINANCE NO. 700-2025**

# AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR LOYALTY PARK IN THE CITY OF SPANISH FORT, ALABAMA

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor and City Council believe that it is in the best interest of the City to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens by establishing certain rules and regulations for the recreational facility known as "Loyalty Park".

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPANISH FORT, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** The following Rules and Regulations shall apply at Loyalty Park:

#### A. General Rules and Regulations:

- 1. Patrons shall obey all posted signage including, but not limited to, parking, handicap and traffic control signs.
- 2. No motorized vehicles on sidewalks or grass.
- 3. No bicycles, skates, skateboards, rollerblades, wheeled shoes or scooters.
- 4. No tobacco products.
- 5. No profanity.
- 6. No alcoholic beverages or illegal substances.
- 7. No archery or shooting sports.
- 8. No golf activities or hitting of golf balls.
- 9. Patrons assume all risk of injury, damage or loss sustained while on the premises.

### B. <u>Dog Park Specific Rules</u>

- 1. You and your dog enter at your own risk.
- 2. The dog park is for dog and owner/handler recreational activities only. Other forms of play and sporting activities are prohibited.
- 3. The City of Spanish Fort accepts no liability for any loss, damages or injury to any person or dog while visiting the park.
- 3. No children under the age of sixteen (16) are permitted in the park without direct adult supervision.
- 4. People are prohibited from running/jogging with dogs in the park, and people should not shout or yell at dogs in the park.
- 5. Dogs under the age of six months are prohibited in the park.
- 6. Owners/Handlers must have visual contact with their dogs at all times.
- 7. No more than two (2) dogs per handler allowed.
- 8. All dogs must have visible current rabies tags and be current on all vaccinations. A collar and tag are required for all dogs.
- 9. Dogs must be leashed when entering or exiting the park, and owners should carry a leash at all times. Gates must be securely closed when entering and exiting the dog park.
- 10. Owners/handlers are legally and financially responsible for their dog's behavior and any injuries or damages caused by them.
- 11. Dogs that are sick or injured may not enter the park.
- 12. Flea treatment is highly recommended.
- 13. Aggressive, vicious or dangerous dogs are prohibited in the park. Dogs who show any type of aggressive, vicious or dangerous behavior must be immediately leashed and removed from the park.
- 14. No toys allowed.
- 15. All human and pet food and treats are prohibited.
- 16. Only dogs twenty-five pounds (25 lbs.) and under ("small dogs") are allowed in the area designated for small dogs. Small dogs are allowed in the large dog area, but large dogs are prohibited in the small dog area.
- 17. Smoking, vaping and all use of tobacco in any form is prohibited in all areas of the park.
- 18. All owners/handlers must stop their dog(s) from digging and fill any holes made by their dog(s).
- 19. Choke chains, pronged training collars and stud or spiked collars are prohibited.
- 20. Female dogs in heat are prohibited in the park.

- 21. Unneutered male dogs over one year of age must be leashed at all times.
- 22. Always clean up after yourself and your dog. Owners/handlers are responsible for cleaning up and properly disposing of waste.
- 23. These rules are for the protection and safety of all people and dogs. Please be courteous and do not allow unacceptable behavior to ruin the enjoyment and safety of others, whether dog or person.
- 24. Failure to abide by these rules may result in loss of privileges.

For assistance or questions during normal business hours call 251-626-4884 or after hours call 251-626-4914.

**SECTION 2. Penalties**. Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$500.00 and said person shall pay all remedial costs incurred by the City, or any other agency, involved in restoring the facility if found in violation of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** Repealer Clause. Ordinance No. 669-2024 is hereby repealed in its entirely. Any other ordinance heretofore adopted by the City Council of the City of Spanish Fort, Alabama, which is in conflict with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict

**SECTION 4. Severability Clause.** If any part, section or subdivision of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed to invalidate or impair the remainder of this Ordinance, which shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding such holding.

**SECTION 5. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption or as otherwise required by state law.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this	day of, 2025.
	Michael M. McMillan Mayor
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Rebecca A. Gaines, CMC City Clerk	