

Dog Walking on Upton Heath

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Whilst walking with your dog on Upton Heath please follow the traffic light system below. Where these symbols are displayed, on gates and posts, please adhere to them.

Why has this system been implemented?

- Protect wildlife: Ground nesting birds and reptiles are vulnerable to disturbance from dogs.
- Livestock grazing: Dogs can easily worry or spook grazing animals.
- Visitors: Dorset Wildlife Trust is committed to ensuring all visitors are safe to enjoy their nature reserves.



Red = No dogs

Sensitive areas for wildlife so dogs are not permitted.



Amber = Dogs on leads

Ground nesting birds and/or grazing animals are present so please keep your dogs on a lead to avoid disturbance and for your own safety.



Green = Dogs under close control

Please ensure that if your dog is off the lead that it is in sight and close to you to. This will avoid disturbance for wildlife and other visitors.

ALWAYS PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG

Please take your dog waste away with you and dispose of it safely. The nature reserve is used by a wide variety of users including children. Dog waste may cause harm to livestock and be to the detriment of wildlife.