FROM: Terry Miller - PDGA WI State Coordinator

To: Manitowoc Parks & Recreation Dept. REF: Dogs allowed at disc golf courses

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Regarding dogs in parks that offer disc golf, there are a number of disc golf courses around the state of Wisconsin that do allow dogs. As the State Coordinator for the PDGA, I have not seen any significant problems allowing dogs at disc golf courses in the state. We do not, however, allow dogs on the fairways during PDGA sanctioned events due to the possible distraction that dogs may cause with the competitive players.

My concern has always been the responsible clean up after the dogs which can be very unsightly if not enforced. Your local disc golf club has assured me that they will be diligent in offering numerous clean up opportunities in the parks with bags, waste receptacles and signage. In a multi-use park environment such as Silver Creek and Indian Creek, dogs would add another use to the park without impacting existing park uses. With that said, dogs should not be allowed beyond the control of their owner. If a dog is under the control of its owner who is aware of the responsibility to clean up after his/her dog, I do not see any conflict with the disc golf community.

Discover Eastern Wisconsin Disc Golf has always been a proactive and innovative group encouraging disc golf development and cooperation with other park users. This allows all park users the opportunity to enjoy our disc golf parks. Thank you for your time and energy in developing some of Wisconsin's finest disc golf venues. We appreciate having the variety of disc golf courses that you offer in Manitowoc and look forward to future PDGA events in your area!

Cordially,

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PARTIAL LISTING OF DISC GOLF PARKS THAT ALLOW DOGS			
Boyceville	Axle Dog Acres Disc Golf	Manitowoc	Lower Cato Falls
Eau Claire	Tower Ridge Recreation Area	Manitowoc	South End of Indian Creek Park
Germantown	Spassland Park	New Berlin	Valley View Park
Highbridge	Highbridge Hills Disc Golf Complex	Reedsville	Rollin' Ridge Disc Golf Course
Howard	Akzo Nobel Sports Complex	Rhinelander	Almon Park
Lac du flambeau	Sandy Point Disc Golf Ranch	Rhinelander	Sugar Camp Disc Golf
Madison	Capitol Springs County Park	Saukville	Tendick Nature Preserve
Madison	Elver Park	Sparta	Justin Trails Resort
Madison	Token Creek County Park	Stevens Pt.	Standing Rocks County Park
		Wales	Wales Community Park