



# HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

Doggy Base (Meopham) Ltd is committed to providing a safe, clean and supervised environment for all dogs, staff and visitors.

We follow best practice to ensure welfare, hygiene, and risk prevention at all times.

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## 1. Supervision & Group Management

All dogs are supervised at all times by trained staff. Group sizes are carefully managed, and dogs are grouped according to size, temperament, and play style to reduce stress and risk.

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## 2. Cleanliness & Hygiene

Our premises are cleaned and disinfected daily using pet-safe products.

Food bowls, water bowls, toys, and equipment are sanitised after use, and waste is removed promptly to maintain a healthy environment.

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## 3. Illness & Infection Control

Dogs must be fully vaccinated and in good health to attend.

Any dog showing signs of illness will be isolated and the owner contacted immediately.

Outbreaks will be managed in line with veterinary advice.

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## 4. Fire, Emergency & Evacuation

Emergency exits are clearly marked and kept clear at all times.

Emergency contact details for all dogs are kept on file, and staff are trained in evacuation and emergency procedures.

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## 5. Accidents & First Aid

A canine first aid kit is available on site at all times.

All accidents or incidents are recorded, and owners are notified as soon as possible.

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## 6. Premises & Equipment Safety

All fencing, gates, play equipment, and walking areas are checked regularly to ensure they remain safe and secure.

Any hazards are addressed immediately.

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## **7. Staff Training & Awareness**

All staff are trained in dog handling, behaviour awareness, health and safety procedures, and emergency response.

Only authorised staff may handle dogs.

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## **8. Review & Continuous Improvement**

This policy is reviewed annually and after any serious incident to ensure ongoing safety and improvement.