As outlined in the Dogs in Open Spaces Strategy, all off-leash areas should include amenities that meet basic user needs or enhance the experience for dogs and owners. Standard and special amenities for off-leash areas are defined below.

Neighbourhood off-leash areas may have fewer amenities, as they serve a smaller population. District off-leash areas may offer more amenities.

**Standard Amenities**

The City can feasibly install and maintain recommended standard amenities at all off-leash areas.

- **Waste Bins** (in-ground are preferred)
- **Waste Bag Dispensers**
- **Signage** (clear and effective for site rules, code of conduct and boundaries)
- **Open Space and Trees** (room to run off-leash, with trees for shade and shelter)

**Special Amenities**

**Addition of special amenities is outside the scope of this pilot project. Once a process is established for enhancing off-leash areas, community groups may be able to fund these amenities.**

- **Seating** (can be fixed or moveable)
- **Drinking Water** (two level drinking fountain or hydrant / hose bib and water dish)
- **Dog Wash Station** (can be a hydrant / hose bib with durable surfacing)
- **Washrooms** (can be seasonal, year-round or simple portapotties)
- **Notice Boards** (stand-alone structures used by the City and the public)
- **Separate Area for Small Dogs** (may also be used by shy, elderly or injured dogs)
- **Shelter Structure** (provides shelter for dog owners during inclement weather)
- **Agility Features** (for training and mental stimulation)
- **Lighting** (can extend the usable hours of off-leash areas, especially in the winter months)