



# Enrichment Policy & Guidelines

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## Enrichment Policy for Dog Daycare - "Leads & Laces by APG Ltd"

At Leads & Laces by APG Ltd, we are dedicated to providing a safe, stimulating, and enjoyable environment for your furry family members. Our enrichment policy is designed to ensure that every dog in our care receives the mental, physical, and social stimulation they need to thrive, both inside and outside. Here's an expanded version of our enrichment policy:

### Outdoor Enrichment:

- Daily Walks:
  - Every dog at Leads & Laces by APG Ltd will enjoy a minimum of one 60-minute walk per day, outdoors in our secure play area or on designated walking trails.
  - Walks will be conducted in small groups based on size and temperament to ensure safety and socialisation opportunities. No more than six dogs per walker.
  - Walks provide exercise and mental stimulation, allowing dogs to explore new scents and environments.
- Structured Outdoor Playtime:
  - Dogs will have access to our spacious outdoor play areas where they can run, play fetch, and interact with other dogs.
  - Our outdoor areas are equipped with agility equipment, sensory enrichment stations, and water features for added fun and stimulation.
- Swimming Pool (Seasonal):
  - During warm weather months, we offer a secure swimming area for dogs to cool off and enjoy supervised water play. Swimming is a fantastic form of exercise and enrichment.
- Gardening and Sensory Exploration:
  - We have designated sensory gardens where dogs can explore various textures, scents, and natural elements like grass, sand, and rocks.
  - Dogs can engage their senses through these enriching outdoor experiences.

### Indoor Enrichment:

- Indoor Play Zones:
  - Our indoor facility is divided into different play zones, each designed for specific activities such as interactive play, agility exercises, and quiet time.
  - Dogs can rotate between these zones to experience a variety of enriching activities.
- Interactive Toys and Puzzles:
  - Dogs will have access to a wide range of interactive toys and puzzles indoors, providing mental stimulation and entertainment.
  - Staff will regularly rotate and introduce new toys to keep dogs engaged.
- Training and Brain Games:
  - Indoor areas are utilised for training sessions, focusing on basic obedience, tricks, and mental challenges.
  - Dogs will engage in brain games that encourage problem-solving and cognitive development.
- Rest and Relaxation:
  - We provide comfortable indoor resting areas with cozy bedding and soothing music to ensure that dogs have a peaceful space to relax between play sessions.
- Climate Control:
  - Our indoor facility is climate-controlled to ensure that dogs are comfortable regardless of the weather conditions outside.

At Leads & Laces by APG Ltd, we recognise the importance of providing enrichment activities both inside and outside to cater to a dog's diverse needs and preferences. Our staff is trained to create a balanced schedule that incorporates these enriching experiences, ensuring that your dog has a rewarding and enjoyable stay with us.