

## 5.1. Open Space Provision

Open space provision must meet the requirements of the proposed development and its residential population as well as ensure there is a minimum level of service that is proportional to the total area of the development, regardless of land use.

Open space must constitute 10% of the total land area of the master plan. The types of open space included in this provision are further explained in Section 5.2.

Open space must also meet the requirements of Dubai Municipality Community Facilities Standards corresponding to the proposed residential population as outlined in Chapter 4.

## 5.2. Open Space Classification

Open space can be classified to two types:

- Primary open space; and
- Secondary open space.

The minimum required provision of open space must consist of primary open space types only.



**10%** of total  
land area  
must be primary open space

## Primary Open Space

Primary open space is defined as accessible and usable parks and open spaces including spaces within plot areas.

The primary open space provision must be calculated as below (This percentage must be equal to or more than 10%):

$$\frac{\text{Total area of all primary open space}}{\text{Total land area of the master plan}}$$

Primary Open Space	
DDA Land Use	DM Community Facilities
Pocket Park	Local Plaza
District Park	District Park
Neighborhood Park	Neighborhood Park
Community Park	Community Park
Playground	Playground Tot Lot
Landscape	N/A
Promenade	N/A
Beach	N/A
Sikka	N/A

Table 5.1: DDA primary open space categories aligned to DM community facility types

## Secondary Open Space

Secondary open space is defined as open space or other land uses with a significant open space provision that have unique or niche programs and functions and may provide environmental and social benefits. Secondary open spaces are typically privately owned and therefore must not be calculated as part of the primary minimum.

For example, canals, lakes and water bodies contribute to the quality and experience of open spaces they are adjacent to, but must not be recognized as contributing to open space and are therefore categorized separately.

Secondary Open Space
Break Water
Water Body
Buffer Zone
Conservation Area
Sports Facility
Golf Course
Equestrian Center
Zoo
Marina

Table 5.2: DDA secondary open space categories