

CHAPTER 2 - ANIMALS

ARTICLE I - GENERAL REGULATIONS

The purposes of the Animal Control Programs are as follows: to protect the public health and safety from rabies, dangerous and vicious dogs, educate the public about state and local ordinances, control and impound animals under the City’s jurisdiction, enforce local ordinances and improve the welfare of animals by adhering to the human care of animals act.

2-1-1 DEFINITIONS.

“ACT” The Animal Control Act, 510 ILCS 5/1 through 5/27.

“ADMINISTRATOR” A veterinarian licensed by the state of Illinois and appointed pursuant to this Act, or in the event a veterinarian cannot be found and appointed pursuant to this Act, a non-veterinarian may serve as administrator under this Act.

“ANIMAL” shall mean any animal, other than man, which may be affected by rabies.

“ANIMAL CONTROL WARDEN” means any person appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council to perform duties as assigned by the Mayor to effectuate this Code.

“AT LARGE” Any dog shall be deemed to be at large when it is off the property of his owner and not under the control of a responsible person.

“BREEDABLE FEMALES” Any dog or cat that is six months or older and is not spayed.

“CAT” shall mean any feline, regardless of age or sex.

“COMPETENT PERSON” A human being over the age of fifteen years that is capable of controlling and governing the dog or cat in question and to whose commands the dog or cat is obedient.

“CONFINED” means restriction of an animal at all times by the owner, or his agent, to an escape-proof building or other enclosure away from other animals and the public.

“DANGEROUS DOG” “Dangerous dog” means any individual dog which when either unmuzzled, unleashed, or unattended by its owner, or a member of its owner’s family, in a vicious or terrorizing manner, approaches any person in an apparent attitude of attack upon streets, sidewalks, or any public grounds or places. (See 510 ILCS 5/15(2))

“DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE” means the Department of Agriculture of the State of Illinois.

“DIRECTOR” the director of the Department of Agriculture

“DWELLING UNIT” means a single unit priding complete, independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation.

“ENCLOSURE” a fence or structure of at least six feet in height, forming or causing an enclosure suitable to prevent the entry of young children, and suitable to confine a vicious dog in conjunction with other measures which may be taken by the owner or keeper, such as tethering of a vicious dog within the enclosure. Such enclosure shall be securely enclosed and locked and designed with secure sides, top and bottom and shall be designed to prevent the animal from escaping from the enclosure. Such enclosure must be approved by the administrator.

“FERAL CAT” means a cat that is born in the wild or is the offspring of an unowned or

feral cat and is not socialized or is a formerly owned cat that has been abandoned and is no longer socialized.

“DOG”. Whenever “dog” is used in this Code it shall include any canine, female as well as male dog, regardless of age.

“HAS BEEN BITTEN” means has been seized with the teeth or jaws so that the person or animal seized has been nipped, gripped, wounded, or pierced, and further includes contact of saliva with any break or abrasion of the skin.

“HUMANELY DISPATCHED” means the painless administration of a lethal dose of an agent which shall cause the painless death of an animal as prescribed in the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association. Said methods shall not destroy brain tissue necessary for laboratory examination for rabies. Animal shall be handled prior to administration of the agent in such a manner as to avoid undue apprehension by the animal.

“IMPOUNDED” means taken into custody of the public animal control facility in the city, town or county where the animal is found.

“INOCULATION AGAINST RABIES” means the injection of an anti-rabies vaccine approved by the Department.

“KENNEL” means any structure or premises or portion thereof on which more than three dogs, cats or other household domestic animals, over four months of age are kept or on which more than two such animals are maintained, boarded, bred or cared for in return for remuneration or are kept for the purpose of sale.

“LEASH” means a cord, rope, strap, or chain which shall be securely fastened to the collar or harness of a dog or other animal and shall be of sufficient strength to keep such dog or other animal under control.

“LICENSED VETERINARIAN” “Licensed veterinarian” means a veterinarian licensed by the State in which he engages in the practice of veterinary medicine. (See 510 ILCS 5/2.15)

“OWNER” For the purpose of this Code, the word “owner” means a person having a right of property in a dog or who keeps or harbors a dog, or who has a dog in his care, or who acts as its custodian, or who knowingly permits a dog to remain on or about any premises occupied by him.

“POUND” “Pound” means any facility approved by the Administrator and licensed as such by the Department of Agriculture for the purpose of enforcing this Code and used as a shelter for seized, stray, homeless, abandoned, or unwanted dogs or other animals. (See 510 ILCS 5/2.18)

“REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE” “Registration Certificate” means a printed form prescribed by the Department for the purpose of recording pertinent information as required by the Department under this Code. (See 510 ILCS 5/2.19)

“RESTRAINT”. A dog is under “restraint” within the meaning of this Code if he is controlled by a leash; at “heel” beside a responsible person; within a vehicle being driven or parked on the streets; or within the property limits of his owner or keeper.

“SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY” A physical injury that creates a substantial risk of death or that causes death, serious or protracted disfigurement, protracted impairment of health, impairment of the function of any bodily organ or plastic surgery.

“SHADE” shall mean protection from the direct rays of the sun during the months of June through September.

“SHELTER” as it applies to dogs, shall mean a moisture-proof structure of suitable size to accommodate the dog and allow retention of body heat, made of durable material with a solid floor raised at least two (2) inches from the ground and with the entrance covered by a flexible, windproof material. Such structure shall be provided with a sufficient quantity of suitable bedding to provide insulation and protection against cold and dampness.

“STERILIZED” means the surgical spay of a female animal or castration of a male animal so as to render such animal incapable of reproducing.

“UNOWNED STRAY DOG” “Unowned stray dog” means any dog not on the premises of the owner or keeper or under control by leash or other recognized control methods, and which does not, at that time and place, bear a current rabies inoculation tag issued pursuant to the provisions of this Code, by means of which, by reference to records of current registration certificates, the Administrator or his deputies or assistants may determine the name and address of the owner or keeper thereof, or some other means of identification from which the Administrator or his deputies or assistants may directly determine the name and address of the owner or keeper thereof. (See 510 ILCS 5/2)

“VICIOUS ANIMAL” shall mean any animal which has previously attacked or bitten any person or which has behaved in such a manner that the person who harbors said animal knows or should reasonably know that the animal is possessed of tendencies to attack or bite persons.

“WILD ANIMAL” shall mean any live monkey or ape, raccoon, skunk, fox, snake, or other reptile, leopard, panther, tiger, lion, lynx or any other animal or any bird of prey which can normally be found in the wild state. **(510 ILCS Sec. 5/24)**

2-1-2 INJURY TO PROPERTY.

(A) Unlawful. It shall be unlawful for any person owning or possessing a dog or cat to permit such dog or cat to go upon any sidewalk, parkway, or private lands or premises without the permission of the owner of such premises and break, bruise, tear up, crush or injure any lawn, flower bed, plant, shrub, tree or garden in any manner whatsoever, or to defecate thereon and if such animal does so, it may be declared a nuisance and the penalties set forth in this Chapter shall apply.

(B) Waste Products Accumulations. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause or permit a dog or cat to be on property, public or private, not owned or possessed by such person unless such person has in his immediate possession an appropriate device for scooping excrement and an appropriate depository for the transmission of excrement to a receptacle located upon property owned or possessed by such person. This Section shall not apply to a person who is visually or physically handicapped. Should such animal do so, it may be declared a nuisance and the penalties set forth in this Chapter shall apply.

2-1-3 MANNER OF KEEPING.

(A) Pens, Yards, or Runs. All pens, yards, runs or other structures wherein any animal is kept shall be of such construction so as to be easily cleaned and kept in good repair.

(B) Fences. Fences which are intended as enclosures for any animal shall be securely constructed, shall be adequate for the purpose, kept in good repair and shall not be allowed to become unsightly.

(C) Animals shall be confined to their own yard or properly restrained so as to not chase

cars. Animals which do so may be declared a nuisance and the procedures and penalties set forth in this Chapter shall apply.

(D) Animals which chase, molest, attack, bite, interfere with or physically intimidate any person while on or off of the premises of the owner, or chase, molest, attack, bite, interfere with other domestic animals while off of the premises of the owner shall be deemed to be a nuisance and the penalties and procedures set forth in this Chapter apply.

2-1-4 KEEPING BARKING DOGS AND CRYING CATS.

(A) Harboring. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly keep or harbor any dog which habitually barks, howls or yelps, or any cat which habitually cries or howls to the great discomfort of the peace and quiet of the neighborhood, or in such manner as to materially disturb or annoy persons in the neighborhood who are of ordinary sensibilities. Such dogs and cats are hereby declared to be a public nuisance.

(B) Petitions of Complaint. Whenever any person shall complain to the Police Department that a dog which habitually barks, howls or yelps or a cat which habitually cries or howls is being kept by any person in the City, the Police Department shall notify the owner of said dog or cat that a complaint has been received and that the person should take whatever steps are necessary to alleviate the howling, yelping or crying.

2-1-5 CRUELTY TO ANIMALS PROHIBITED.

(A) Cruelty to Animals Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully or maliciously inflict unnecessary or needless cruelty, torture, abuse or cruelly beat, strike or abuse any animal, or by an act, omission or neglect, cause or inflict any unnecessary or unjustifiable pain, suffering, injury or death to any animal, whether such animal belongs to such person or to another, except that reasonable force may be employed to drive away vicious or trespassing animals. Any unwanted animals should be delivered to the County Animal Control Facility for proper disposal.

(B) Food and Shelter. It shall be unlawful for any person in charge of any animal to fail, refuse, or neglect to provide such animal with food, potable water, shade or shelter, or to cruelly or unnecessarily expose any such animal in hot, stormy, cold or inclement weather, or to carry any such animal in or upon any vehicle in a cruel or inhumane manner. The terms used in this Section shall comply with **Section 2-1-1**.

2-1-6 EXHIBITING WILD OR VICIOUS ANIMALS.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or permit to be kept on his premises any wild or vicious animal as described in this Chapter for display or for exhibition purposes, whether gratuitously or for a fee. This Section shall not be construed to apply to zoological parks, performing animal exhibitions, or circuses.

(B) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or permit to be kept any wild animal as a pet, unless a permit is granted by the Department of Natural Resources of the State of Illinois.

(C) It shall be unlawful for any person to harbor or keep a vicious animal within the City. Any animal which is found off the premises of its owner may be seized by any police officer or humane officer and upon establishment to the satisfaction of any Court of competent jurisdiction of the vicious character of said animal, it may be killed by a police officer or humane officer; provided, however, that this Section shall not apply to

animals under the control of a law enforcement or military agency nor to animals which are kept for the protection of property, provided that such animals are restrained by a leash or chain, cage, fence, or other adequate means from contact with the general public or with persons who enter the premises with the actual or implied permission of the owner or occupant.

(D) The licensing authority may issue a temporary permit for the keeping, care, and protection of any infant animal native to this area which has been deemed to be homeless.

2-1-7 HEALTH HAZARD.

The Mayor shall have the power to issue an order prohibiting the keeping of any animal, fowl or bird which is deemed to be a nuisance or pose a health hazard to the general public.

2-1-8 LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF DOGS AND CATS KEPT

(A) Nuisance. The keeping of an unlimited number of dogs and cats in the City for a considerable period of time detracts from and, in many instances, is detrimental to the healthful and comfortable life for which such areas were created. The keeping of an unlimited number of dogs and cats is, therefore, declared to be a public nuisance. The terms “dog” and “cat” shall be construed as provided in **Section 2-1-1**.

(B) Limitation; Exception.

(1) It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to keep more than three (3) dogs and/or three (e) cats within the City, with the exception that a litter of pups, a litter of kittens or a portion of a litter may be kept for a period of time not exceeding five (5) months from birth.

(2) The provisions of this Section shall not apply to the three kennels presently operating within the corporate limits as of the date hereof enacted. (5/3/2008)

(3) The City Clerk shall issue a license for the operation of said three kennels presently operating within the City namely: Girth, Greeling and Rice. There shall be no charge for the license. However, no renewal of such license shall be permitted by sale, inheritance or other passage to any other person, firm or operation. It is the intent of the City Council that as each kennel discontinues to operate, said kennel shall not be allowed to re-open, until there shall be no kennels located within the corporate limits of the City.

(C) Kennels. In the areas where kennels are permitted, no kennel shall be located closer than fifteen (15) feet to the boundary of the nearest adjacent residential lot.

2-1-9 ANIMALS, ETC. IN CITY

(A) Certain Prohibitions. Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter no person shall keep within the City any cattle, cows, horses, sheep, swine, goats, chickens, ducks, turkeys, geese, rabbits, or other livestock.

(B) Exceptions. This Section shall not apply in areas of the City that are zoned agricultural in nature nor shall this Section apply to livestock brought in to the City for the purpose of being shipped out of the City.

(C) Powers of Police Chief. The Police Chief shall have the power to issue an order prohibiting the keeping of any animal, fowl, or bird which is deemed to pose a health hazard to the general public

ARTICLE II - DOGS

2-2-1 DEFINITIONS

The terms used in this Article shall comply with **Section 2-1-1** of this Chapter unless otherwise provided in this Article.

2-2-2 DOGS TO BE INOCULATED AND TO HAVE NAME TAGS AFFIXED TO COLLARS

(A) Each calendar year or at such intervals as may hereafter be promulgated by the Department of Agriculture, every owner or keeper of a dog four (4) months or more of age shall cause such dog to be inoculated against rabies. Such owner or keeper of such dog shall cause a serially numbered tag evidencing such inoculation to be attached to a collar or harness worn by the dog.

(B) Every owner or keeper of a dog, regardless of age, shall cause the dog to wear a collar or harness and shall affix thereto a metallic or other suitable tag inscribed with the name, address and phone number, if any, of the owner or keeper of the dog.

2-2-3 INOCULATION TO BE PERFORMED BY LICENSED VETERINARIAN; ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE

The inoculation of dogs required by **Section 2-2-2(A)** shall be performed by a veterinarian duly licensed to practice his profession in this State. Upon performing such inoculation, such veterinarian shall issue to the owner or keeper a certificate showing such fact and shall also deliver to the owner or keeper a metallic or other suitable tag to be attached to the collar or harness of the dog, which tag shall also certify to the fact of the inoculation against rabies.

2-2-4 DURATION OF INOCULATION

The inoculation performed under the provisions of **Section 2-2-3** shall be effective until the expiration of the calendar year in which the vaccination was performed or the expiration of such period of time as may be promulgated by the Department of Agriculture.

2-2-5 SPECIFICATIONS FOR TAG

The tag issued under the provisions of **Section 2-2-3** shall be in such form as shall be determined by the Department of Agriculture.

2-2-6 EXHIBITION OF CERTIFICATE UPON REQUEST

At any reasonable time upon request of any member of the Police Department or City employee, the owner or keeper of any unmuzzled dog shall exhibit his certificate issued under the provisions of **Section 2-2-3**, showing the inoculation against rabies of any dog owned or controlled by him.

2-2-7 RESTRAINT OF DOGS

The owner or keeper of a dog shall keep the dog under restraint at all times and shall not permit such dog to be at large, off the premises of the

property of the owner or keeper, unless the dog is under complete control as defined in Section 2-1-1. (65 ILCS Sec. 5/11-20-9)

2-2-8 IMPOUNDMENT OF DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE OR UNLICENSED DOGS - CITATION OF OWNER OR KEEPER

(A) It shall be the duty of such employees and officers of the Police Department as shall be designated for that purpose by the Mayor to take up and impound in such place as may be designated and set apart for that purpose, any dog found running at large or unlicensed in the City, contrary to any of the provisions of this Chapter or other regulations of the City or the State.

(B) When dogs are found running at large or unlicensed and their ownership is known to the designated employee(s), such dogs may be impounded at the discretion of such employee(s), but the employee(s) may cite the owner of such dog to answer charges of violation of this Chapter.

(C) Any dog permitted to run at large within the City is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

(D) Any impounded dog which shall not be redeemed within seven (7) days shall be humanely destroyed or otherwise disposed of by the pound keeper.

(E) The City Council may establish a reasonable fee by motion for each day that a dog is housed in the pound.

(F) The owner shall pay into the pet population control fund an additional public safety fine to be returned if it's the dog or cat's first impoundment and the owner has the animal spayed or neutered within seven days.

(G) the owner will pay for the dog or cat to be microchipped, not to exceed \$15.00 per animal if not already done.

(510 ILCS Sec. 5/10)

2-2-9 NOTICE AND CITATION TO OWNER OR KEEPER OF IMPOUNDMENT

In case of impounding and where the owner or keeper of such dog is disclosed by any tax or license tag worn by it or is otherwise known to the officers impounding the same, the designated official shall make reasonable attempts to contact the owner, informing him of the impounding of his dog and shall cite the owner or keeper of such dog to answer charges of violation of this Chapter.

2-2-10 OBSTRUCTING POUNDMASTER

Any person(s) who shall bring any dog into the City for the purpose of causing the same to be impounded or any person who shall resist, hinder or molest the pound master or dog catcher or police officer while engaged upon the duties imposed upon them by this Chapter or any person who shall break into the dog pound and release or deliver any dog therefrom without having first paid the fees herein specified, or any owner or keeper of any dog who shall permit any dog to run at large within the corporate limits of the City, upon conviction of any part of this Chapter shall be fined according to Section 1-1-14.

2-2-11 IMPOUNDMENT OF DOGS WHICH HAVE BITTEN PERSONS

Any dog which shall have bitten or otherwise injured any person so as to cause an abrasion of the skin shall be immediately taken, impounded and kept separated from

other dogs for ten (10) days. If, during that period, such dog develops symptoms of illness, a veterinarian shall be called to diagnose its condition. If the symptoms disclosed are such as to indicate the presence of rabies, such dog shall be destroyed in such a manner, however, as to preserve intact the head, which shall thereupon be detached and immediately sent to the diagnostic laboratory of the Department of Agriculture. In case such dog cannot be safely taken up and impounded, it may be shot, care being taken to preserve the head intact which shall thereupon be immediately detached and be delivered to the diagnostic laboratory of the Department of Agriculture.

If, at the expiration of the ten (10) days no symptoms of rabies have developed in such dog so impounded, the same may be redeemed by the owner upon payment of the redemption fees and charges specified by this Chapter; provided, however, that in case any dog so impounded for biting a person shall have previously bitten any person, such dog shall be humanely destroyed by the pound keeper.

After having been notified that his dog has bitten or otherwise injured any person, the owner or keeper thereof shall not, under any circumstances, permit such animal to be at large unless securely muzzled.

2-2-12 IMPOUNDMENT PROCEDURES

Those persons charged with the duty of enforcing this Chapter may employ any method found practical and humane in capturing and impounding any dog found running at large.

2-2-13 REDEMPTION OF IMPOUNDED DOG

(A) Any dog impounded under the provision of this Code, except such as may have bitten any person, as specified in section 2-2-11 of this Code, shall, unless sooner redeemed, be held for the period of seven (7) days in order to afford opportunity to the owner or keeper thereof to redeem the same. Any such owner or keeper desiring to redeem his impounded dog shall pay one or more of the following fees:

- (1)** Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) for picking up and transporting the dog to the City holding facility.
- (2)** Five Dollars (\$5.00) for boarding fees per day or any portion thereof.
- (3)** The fee of the Macoupin County Humane Department for pick up and transportation to the county facility. In case such dog has not been inoculated for rabies for the current year, such owner shall advance the fee to have such dog inoculated by a duly licensed veterinarian as he shall elect. No dog shall be released without having been inoculated for the current calendar year, or in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Agriculture. Upon payment of the incurred charges, the dog shall thereupon be released to the owner or keeper.
- (4)** Fees and fines enumerated in Section 2-2-8 and 2-2-13.

(B) After the expiration of seven days, except Sundays and holidays, an unclaimed dog or cat, which has been deemed suitable for adoption by the animal control officer or Administrator, may be adopted by any person other than the owner upon payment to the animal control officer the inoculation fee, adoption fee and sterilization fee and/or deposit and microchip fee. No animal shall be adopted unless sterilized at the cost of the new owner. Any owner who fails to sterilize his/her adopted animal pursuant to the terms of

the agreement shall be in violation of the law. Ownership of any adopted animal not sterilized shall revert to the animal control facility and the animal is subject to immediate impoundment by the animal control officer or Administrator.

2-2-14 CITY POUND DESIGNATED

The City Council shall designate a City Pound. Macoupin County Animal Control is herein appointed as the agency in charge of animals impounded by and in the City of Bunker Hill, Illinois.

2-2-15 DISPOSITION OF DOGS DEEMED NUISANCES

Any dog which may, in any manner, continually disturb the quiet of any person or neighborhood or shall destroy or in any manner injure any animal, plant, shrub or other property not on the premises of its owner or keeper is hereby declared to be a nuisance, and such dog shall be taken up and impounded and may be redeemed or disposed of in the manner provided for under this Code.

2-2-16 DANGEROUS DOG - FEMALE DOG AT LARGE

It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of any fierce or dangerous dog or of any female dog, while in heat, to allow the dog to run at large within the limits of this City.

2-2-17 FEMALE DOG WITH OTHER DOGS

No person in control or possession of a female dog or permitting the same to remain upon his or her premises, shall permit any such female dog, while in heat, to consort with any other dog or dogs in an indecent manner in any place of public view, whether upon his own or any other premises.

2-2-18 RIGHT OF ENTRY; INSPECTIONS; REFUSAL TO DELIVER ANIMAL

The administrator, or his authorized representative, or any officer of the law may enter upon private premises to apprehend a straying dog or other animal, a dangerous dog or other animal, or a dog or other animal thought to be infected with rabies. If, after request of the administrator or his authorized representative, the owner of such dog or other animal shall refuse to deliver the dog or other animal to the officer, the owner shall be in violation of this Act. **510 ILCS 5/17**

2-2-19 HARBORING STRAY ANIMALS

No person shall Harbor, keep, care for, feed or allow to remain on their property any stray domestic animal without notifying the administrator or any of his representatives within 48 hours.

2-2-20 DISEASED OR INJURED ANIMALS

Any animal which does not exhibit a valid vaccination or registration tag and which reveals the symptoms of an injury or disease, clearly not those of rabies, as determined by the administrator for his designated agent, may be subjected to disposal as provided in this Code at the earliest possible time by the shelter personnel.

2-2-21 VIOLATIONS, PENALTIES AND SETTLEMENT OPTIONS

(A) Any person violating or aiding the violation of this code or counterfeiting or forging any certificate, permit or tag, or making any misrepresentation in regard to any matter prescribed by the act, or resisting, obstructing or impeding the administrator or any authorized officer in enforcing the act, or who removes a tag from a dog for purposes of destroying or concealing its identity, shall pay a penalty of not less than \$75 and not more than \$750 dollars for the first violation, not less than \$100 and not more than \$750 dollars for the second violation occurring within a 12 month period and not less than \$200 and not more than \$750 dollars for the third and each successive violation within a 12 month period. Each day a person fails to comply constitutes a separate offense.

(B) The administrator or any law enforcement officer may issue a ticket in those instances where an owner violates this chapter by permitting his animal to run at large; by failing to register his animal; or by failing to have his animal wear evidence of current rabies inoculation; or harboring a barking dog. The ticket would allow the owner to satisfy the violation without a court appearance by a written plea of guilty and payment of the minimum fine prescribed in this Chapter, along with the applicable costs. If the person wishes to contest the violation charged, he may enter a plea of not guilty on or before the court appearance date found on the ticket. Where the offense charged is for an animal not currently inoculated against rabies, not registered or not wearing evidence of current rabies inoculation, the owner of the animal must, in addition to payment of the fine and costs, present evidence that the animal has been inoculated against rabies.

(C) Any county officer failing, refusing, or neglecting to carry out the provisions of this chapter or the act shall be guilty of a petty offense and shall be fined not less than \$25 or more than \$100 dollars for each offense.

2-2-22 COLLECTION OF MONIES

The administrator shall have him perform the following duties enumerated in the section, in cases involving violations of the sections of this article:

(A) Accept payment of designated fines, penalties and fees and issue receipt for the same.

(B) Maintain records of all violations of the provisions of this Chapter which each person has been guilty during the preceding 24 months whether such guilt was established in court or by payment of a fine into the animal control fund.

(C) Whenever any person charged with an offense which is payable at the animal control facility shall fail to appear and pay his fine in the time prescribed, the Administrator shall cause a complaint filed against a person for such violation in accordance with arrest procedures.

2-2-23 FINES AND FEES PAID INTO ANIMAL CONTROL FUND

All fines, penalties and fees collected as a result of the enforcement of this Chapter shall be paid into the Animal Control Fund. **510 ILCS 5/7**

2-2-23 MACOUPIN COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL

(A) The City of Bunker Hill, Illinois adopts the Animal Ordinances of Macoupin County, Illinois, both those Sections enumerated in this Code and those which are not printed in

this Code. (Adopted on or about 3/1/2009)

(B) The City of Bunker Hill, on most occasions, will turn impounded animals over to the County Animal Control as soon as is practicable and the County shall complete the administration of the impoundment and disposal or return of the animals to their owners.

**ARTICLE III
VICIOUS AND DANGEROUS DOGS**

2-3-1 DEFINITIONS.

As used in this Article:

(A) “Vicious dog” means:

- (1)** Any individual dog that when unprovoked inflicts bites or attacks a human being or other animal either on public or private property.
- (2)** Any individual dog with a known propensity, tendency or disposition to attack without provocation, to cause injury or to otherwise endanger the safety of human beings or domestic animals.
- (3)** Any individual dog that has a trait or characteristic and a generally known reputation for viciousness, dangerousness or unprovoked attacks upon human beings or other animals, unless handled in a particular manner or with special equipment.
- (4)** Any individual dog which attacks a human being or domestic animal without provocation.
- (5)** Any individual dog which has been found to be a “dangerous dog” upon three (3) separate occasions. No dog shall be deemed “vicious” if it bites, attacks, menaces a trespasser on the property of its owner or harms or menaces anyone who has tormented or abused it or is a professionally trained dog for law enforcement or duties. Vicious dogs shall not be classified in a manner that is specific as to breed. If a dog is found to be a vicious dog, the dog shall be subject to enclosure.

(B) “Dangerous dog” means any individual dog which when either unmuzzled, unleashed, or unattended by its owner, or a member of its owner's family, in a vicious or terrorizing manner, approaches any person in an apparent attitude of attack upon streets, sidewalks, or any public grounds or places.

(C) “Enclosure” means a fence or structure of least six (6) feet in height, forming or causing an enclosure suitable to prevent the entry of young children, and suitable to confine a vicious dog in conjunction with other measures which may be taken by the owner or keeper, such as tethering of a vicious dog within the enclosure. Such enclosure shall be securely enclosed and locked and designed with secure sides, top and bottom and shall be designed to prevent the animal from escaping from the enclosure.

(D) “Impounded” means taken into the custody of the public pound in the City or town where the vicious dog is found.

(E) “Found to Be Vicious Dog” means:

- (1)** that the Administrator, Animal Control Warden, or a law enforcement officer has conducted an investigation and made a finding in writing that the dog is a vicious dog as defined in paragraph (1) of Subsection (A) and, based on that finding, the Administrator, an Animal Control Warden, or the Director has declared in writing that the dog is a vicious dog, or
- (2)** that the circuit court has found the dog to be a vicious dog as defined in paragraph (1) of Subsection (A) and has entered an order based on that finding.

2-3-2 Unlawful to Maintain a Vicious Dog

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or maintain any dog which has been found to be a vicious dog unless such dog is at all times kept in an enclosure. The only times that a vicious dog may be allowed out of the enclosure are:

- (A) If it is necessary for the owner or keeper to obtain veterinary care for the dog or
- (B) To comply with the order of a court of competent jurisdiction, provided that the dog is securely muzzled and restrained with a chain having a tensile strength of three hundred (300) pounds and not exceeding three (3) feet in length, and shall be under the direct control and supervision of the owner or keeper of the dog. Any dog which has been found to be a vicious dog and which is not confined to an enclosure shall be impounded by the Animal Control Warden, or the police and shall be turned over to a licensed veterinarian for destruction by lethal injection.

2-3-3 Owner's Responsibility

If the owner of the dog has not appealed the impoundment order to the circuit court in the County in which the animal was impounded within seven (7) working days, the dog may be humanely dispatched. A dog found to be a vicious dog shall not be released to the owner until the Administrator, an Animal Control Warden, or the Director approves the enclosure as defined in this Section.

2-3-4 Dog Permitted To Leave Premises

It is unlawful for any person to maintain a public nuisance by permitting any dangerous dog or other animal to leave the premises of its owner when not under control by leash or other recognized control methods. Guide dogs for the blind or hearing impaired, support dogs for the physically handicapped, and sentry, guard, or police-owned dogs are exempt from this Section; provided, an attack or injury to a person occurs while the dog is performing duties as expected. To qualify for exemption under this Section, each such dog shall be currently inoculated against rabies in accordance with this Code. It shall be the duty of the owner of such exempted dog to notify the Administrator of changes of address. In the case of a sentry or guard dog, the owner shall keep the Administrator advised of the location where such dog will be stationed. The Administrator shall provide police and fire departments with a categorized list of such exempted dogs, and shall promptly notify such departments of any address changes reported to him.

2-3-5 Injunction

The Administrator, the City Attorney, or any citizen of the City in which a dangerous dog or other animal exists may file a complaint to enjoin all persons from maintaining or permitting such, to abate the same, and to enjoin the owner of such dog or other animal from permitting same to leave his premises when not under control by leash or other recognized control methods. Upon the filing of a complaint in the circuit court, the court, if satisfied that this nuisance may exist, shall grant a preliminary injunction with bond in such amount as the court may determine enjoining the defendant from maintaining such nuisance. If the existence of the nuisance is established, the owner of such dog or other animal shall be in violation of this Act, and in addition the court shall

enter an order restraining the owner from maintaining such nuisance and may order that such dog or other animal be humanely dispatched. (510 ILCS Sec. 5/17)

2-3-6 Liability Of Owner Or Dog Attacking Or Injuring Person

If a dog, or other animal, without provocation, attacks or injures any person who is peaceably conducting himself in any place where he may lawfully be, the owner of such dog or other animal is liable in damages to such person for the full amount of the injury sustained. (510 ILCS Sec. 5/16)

2-3-7 Right Of Entry - Inspections

For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Code and making inspections hereunder, the Administrator, or his authorized representative, or any officer of the law may enter upon private premises to apprehend a straying dog or other animal, a dangerous dog or other animal, or a dog or other animal thought to be infected with rabies. If, after request therefor, the owner of such dog or other animal shall refuse to deliver the dog or other animal to the officer, the owner shall be in violation of this Code. (510 ILCS Sec. 5/17) (510 ILCS Sec. 5/24)

ARTICLE IV

RABIES CONTROL

2-4-1 Inoculation of dogs and cats

(A) Every owner of a dog or cat four (4) or more months of age shall cause such dog or cat to be inoculated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian annually or at such intervals as hereafter may be promulgated by the department. Evidence of such inoculation shall be entered upon a certificate, the form of which shall be approved by the county board, and the certificate shall be signed by the licensed veterinarian administering the vaccine.

(B) The veterinarian administering the vaccine shall cause the certificate of inoculation to be distributed as follows:

- (1) One copy shall be given to the owner at the time of inoculation;
- (2) One copy shall be filed with the office of the administrator, or such place as the county board shall designate, within thirty (30) days after the date of inoculation;
- (3) One copy shall be retained by the veterinarian administering the inoculation for a period of five (5) years, or such period as set by the department or the county board.

(C) The type and brand of rabies vaccine used shall be licensed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and approved by the department.

(D) Every owner of a dog or cat shall comply with the provisions in this ordinance. Each day a person fails to comply constitutes a separate offense. If an animal is not inoculated and registered after its owner has been found to be in violation of this section or sections on (A) inoculation tags; (B) confinement of animal which has bitten someone; or (C) duties of owners of rabid or biting animals, two (2) times within a twelve-month period, said animal shall be impounded by the Administrator or his/her delegate and may be redeemed or disposed of in accordance with the provisions of this Code.

(E) Anyone that owns a dog or cat that is not vaccinated for rabies, will be issued a written warning and will be given 7 days to get the dog or cat vaccinated for rabies. If owner doesn't comply, the owner will be issued a \$50 ticket and dog or cat will be impounded.

510 ILCS 5/8

2-4-2 Inoculation tags

(A) The owner of a dog or cat shall, within ten (10) days after such dog or cat has been inoculated against rabies, procure an inoculation tag from the county. The cost of the tag shall be determined and set by the county board. The owner of a dog or cat shall cause the inoculation tag to be attached to a collar or harness to be worn by the animal whenever the animal is not confined in a secure enclosure place. Valid rabies inoculation tags and certificates from other counties shall be honored while the animals in transit or until the dog or cat owner has established residence in this county.

(B) A licensed veterinarian may procure serially numbered inoculation tags from the county or city, at a fee set by the board, and issue one tag with each inoculation certificate

at the time of inoculation. A licensed veterinarian shall collect such tag fee from the owner at the time the inoculation tag is dispensed.

2-4-3 Confinement of animal that has bitten someone

(A) When the administrator receives information that any person has been bitten by a dog or other animal, the administrator, or his/her authorized representative, shall have such dog or other animal confined under the observation of the county animal control facility or at a licensed veterinarian for a period of ten (10) days. Such veterinarian shall report the clinical condition of the dog or other animal immediately, with confirmation in writing to the administrator within twenty-four (24) hours after the dog or other animals is presented for examination, giving the owner's name, address, the date of confinement, the breed, description, age and sex of such dog or other animal, on appropriate forms approved by the department. The administrator shall notify the attending physician or responsible health agency. At the end of the confinement period, the veterinarian shall submit a written report to the administrator advising him/her of the final disposition of such dog or other animal on appropriate forms approved by the department.

(B) When evidence is presented that such dog or other animal was inoculated against rabies within the time prescribed by law, it may be confined in the house of its owner, or in a manner which will prohibit it from biting any person for a period of ten (10) days, if the administrator, adjudges such confinement satisfactory. At the end of the confinement period, such dog or other animal shall be examined by the administrator, or another licensed veterinarian. **510 ILCS 5/13**

2-4-4 Duties of owners of rabid or biting animals

(A) The owner of any dog or other animal which exhibits symptoms of rabies and any dog or other animal in direct contact with such dog or other animal, whether or not such dog or other animal has been vaccinated, shall immediately notify the administrator, and shall promptly confine such dog or other animal, or have it confined, under suitable observation, for a period of at least ten (10) days, unless officially authorized by the administrator, in writing, to release it sooner.

(B) It is unlawful for any person having knowledge that any person has been bitten by a dog or other animal to refuse to notify the administrator promptly. It is unlawful for the owner of such dog or other animal to euthanize, sell, give away, or otherwise dispose of any such dog or other animal known to have bitten a person, until it is released by the administrator, or his/her authorized representative.

(C) It is unlawful for the owner of such dog or other animal to refuse or fail to comply with the written, or printed instructions made by the administrator, or his/her authorized representative. If such instructions cannot be delivered in person, they shall be mailed to the owner of such dog or other animal by regular mail, postage prepaid. The affidavit or testimony of the administrator, or his authorized representative, delivering or mailing such instructions is prima facie evidence that the owner of such dog or other animal was notified of his/her responsibilities.

(D) Any expense incurred in the handling of any dog or other animal under this section shall be borne by the owner.

(E) For the purpose of this section, the word "immediately" means by telephone, in person, or by other than use of the mail.

(F) The owner of a biting animal must also remit to the state Department of Public Health, for the deposit into the Pet Population Control Fund, a \$25 public safety fine within 7 days after _____ notice.

(G) Any dog or cat that bites a person will be microchipped before the animal is released to the owner or if the animal is already rabies vaccinated and quarantined at home, the animal will need to be microchipped after the 10 day quarantine period is finished. The owner is responsible for the microchip expense, not to exceed \$15 fee. If owner doesn't comply, the dog or cat will be impounded and owner charged for the impoundment fee, any boarding fees, and the microchip fee.

510 ILCS 5/12

2-4-5 Reimbursement to animal bite victims

The city is not obligated to pay to any person or resident of the city from the animal control fund any amount for the purchase of human rabies antiserum, the purchase of human vaccine, any costs for the administration of the serum or vaccine or any amount for medical care which may have been provided to human bite victims.

2-4-6 Registration fees

The registration fee to be charged to the owner of animals in the city shall be:

(A) For an annual registration, five dollars (\$5.00) for each animal which is neutered or spayed;

(B) For an annual registration, fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for each animal which is not neutered or spayed.

2-4-7 Dangerous animals

Any animal running at large within the county whose capture endangers or threatens the safety of an animal control officer, police officer, sheriff or deputy sheriff, or endangers the safety of any person within the county, may be slain by an animal control officer, police officer, sheriff, or deputy sheriff.

ARTICLE V

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

2-5-1 Humane care of animals

No owner shall fail to provide his/her animal(s) with:

- (1) Sufficient, nutritious food.
- (2) Fresh, clean water at all times.
- (3) A shelter which has four sides, a roof, floor, and bedding. The shelter shall be of sufficient size to permit such animal to stand up and turn around inside when fully grown and allow retention of body heat. The shelter shall be placed to provide shade from the sun and protection from the weather.
- (4) Regular and sufficient veterinary care to prevent suffering and maintain health.

2-5-2 Abandonment of animal unlawful

It shall be unlawful for any person to abandon any animal within the City.

2-5-3 Acts of cruelty to animals prohibited

Unless justifiable in defense of person or property, no person shall:

- (1) Kill, wound, or attempt to kill or wound, or poison any domestic animal.
- (2) Put to death any domestic animal except by euthanasia under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian of the State of Illinois.
- (3) Beat, cruelly ill-treat, torment, overload, overwork or otherwise abuse a domestic animal.
- (4) Cause, instigate, permit, or attend any dogfight, cockfight, bullfight, or other combat between animals and humans.
- (5) Crop an animal's ears, an animal's tail or perform similar surgeries except as a licensed veterinarian of the State of Illinois.
- (6) Allow any animal to remain unattended in a motor vehicle by a competent person when the animal's life, health, or safety is threatened.

2-5-4 Impoundment of victimized animals; owner's appeal

(A) In the event that the administrator, animal control officer, or any law enforcement officer finds a domestic companion animal(s) to be a victim of cruelty, neglect, or abandonment as defined by sections with animal cruelty, he/she shall have the right to forthwith remove or cause to have removed any such animal(s) to a safe place for care or to euthanize said animal(s) when necessary to prevent further suffering, all at the owner's expense. Return to the owner may be denied or withheld until the owner shall have made full payment for all expenses incurred. Treatment of an animal by any method specified herein does not relieve the owner of liability for violations and for any accrued charges.

(B) The owner of an animal that has been impounded may appeal, in writing, the impoundment to the States Attorney within seven (7) days of impoundment. After proper notice, a hearing shall be held to determine if said animal was the victim of cruelty, neglect or abandonment.

(C) The States Attorney may find that the animal is a victim of cruelty, neglect or abandonment if:

- (1) Said animal was abandoned;
- (2) Said animal was not provided by the owner (or agent) with sufficient water, proper food, shelter to provide protection from the weather, or veterinary care to prevent suffering; or
- (3) Said animal was a victim of an act cited in Section 2-5-3 and 2-5-5.

(D) The States Attorney may find that the animal is a victim of cruelty, neglect, or abandonment, then he or she shall order appropriate remedies, including, but not limited to, proper veterinary care, humane destruction of the animal, or refusal to return said animal to the owner and shall assess all costs to the owner for enforcement of the appropriate remedy, and for impoundment and boarding of the animal.

(E) Any owner convicted of aggravated cruelty charges, or any of the cruelty charges listed in section 2-5-3, will not be allowed to own or reside in a household where there are any animal(s) as long as they live in the city.

(F) Any one that violates this section will be prosecuted and the animal(s) will be impounded. **510 ILCS 70/10**

2-5-5 Animals for use in entertainment

(A) No person may use, own, capture, breed, train or lease any animal which he or she knows is intended for use in any show, exhibition, program, or other activity featuring or otherwise involving a fight between such animal and other animal or the intentional killing of any animal for the purpose of sport, wagering, or entertainment.

(B) No person shall own, possess, offer for sale, ship, or transport any equipment or device which such person knows or should know is intended for use in connection with any show, exhibition, program, or activity featuring or otherwise involving a fight between two (2) or more animals or the intentional killing of any animal for purposes of sport,

(C) No person shall make available any site, structure, or facility, whether enclosed or not, which he or she knows or should know is intended to be used for the purpose of conducting any show, exhibition, program, or other activity involving a fight between two (2) or more animals or the intentional killing of any animal.

(D) No person shall attend or otherwise patronize any show, exhibition, program, or other activity featuring or otherwise involving a fight between two (2) or more animals or the intentional killing of any animal for the purposes of sport, wagering, or entertainment.

2-5-6 Seizure and disposition of animals and other items illegally used in entertainment

(A) Law enforcement officers and the Administrator shall seize and impound any and all animals and seize any equipment, money, or other proceeds utilized in or directly related to any violation of the sections on animals used in entertainment. Animals and other items impounded or seized shall be held for evidence and for final disposition by the Court.

(B) The county shall give notice to the person from whom the animals, equipment, money or other proceeds were seized pursuant to paragraph (A) above, or to the person in possession as owner, or lessee of the premises where said items were found, or if the names of any of these persons are unknown to the county, by posting notice upon the outer door of the premises. The notice shall be directed to any person claiming interest in

the property or money, to come before the Court on a specified date, not less than three (3) days from the date of the notice, and to show cause, if any, why the items should not be sold at public auction as contraband or otherwise be forfeited as contraband to the county for disposition as authorized herein.

(C) If in the Court's opinion, after a full hearing, or upon the default of those notified to appear, it appears to the Court that the items seized are in fact contraband, the Court shall order disposition of said items in one or more of the following ways:

- (1) Any animal(s) forfeited under this section shall be either humanely euthanized, offered for adoption, or otherwise disposed of in accordance with any controlling city ordinances, or provisions of state law.
- (2) Any money forfeited under this section shall be forfeited to the city treasury.
- (3) Any other items forfeited under this section shall be sold at a public auction to the highest bidder for cash, and the proceeds paid to the city treasury.
- (4) No equipment used for training, fighting, or killing the animals will be sold at auction, it shall be retained and made available for use in training peace officers in detecting and identifying violations of Animals used in entertainment.

2-5-7 Diseased and injured animals

(A) No diseased or sickly horse, cow, hog, dog, cat or other animal nor any that has been exposed to any disease that is contagious among such animals shall be brought into the county unless under veterinary care.

(B) Any animal, being in any street, highway or public place within the county, appearing, in the estimation of the administrator, animal shelter manager, or animal control warden, to be injured or diseased and past recovery for any useful purpose, and not being attended and properly cared for by the owner or some proper person to have charge thereof for the owner, and not having been removed to some private premises or to some place designated by such officer or animal control officer within an hour after being found or left in such condition, may be deprived of life by such officer, or as he/she may direct.

(C) No person, other than the Administrator or law enforcement officers, animal control wardens, or persons authorized by contract or otherwise, shall in any way interfere with the removal of such dead, sick or injured animal in such street or place. No person shall skin or wound such animal in any street, highway, or public place, unless to terminate its life as herein authorized, except that the owner or person having control of such animal may terminate the life thereof in the presence and by the consent of a law enforcement officer, or the administrator, animal shelter manager or animal control warden.

2-5-8 Keeping animals other than domesticated pets

(A) No person shall keep, harbor, or allow to be kept within the county any lion, tiger, leopard, ocelot, jaguar, cheetah, margay, mountain lion, lynx, bobcat, jaguarundi, bear, hyena, wolf, wolf- hybrid, venomous reptiles, or other animal normally wild and dangerous to human life. It is no defense to a violation of this section that the owner or keeper of the animal has attempted to domesticate the animal.

(B) Animals maintained by a zoological park, animal control facility, federally licensed exhibit, veterinary hospital, or educational institutions shall not be regulated by the provisions of this chapter.

2-5-9 Dead animals prohibited

No person shall:

(A) Allow the body, or any part thereof, of any dead animal to decompose and putrefy by remaining on his property.

(B) Skin, dismember, butcher, dress, or exhibit any dead animal in view of the public in areas of the county which have been subdivided for residential purposes.

The owner of an animal shall be responsible for the immediate disposal of such animal's remains on its death from whatever cause and regardless of the location of such animal's remains.

2-5-10 Live animals for research prohibited

No live animals in the possession of the animal shelter shall be released, sold, or given to any institution or private firm or individual for the purposes of medical or scientific research.

2-5-11 Multiple-pet license

(A) Multiple-pet owners must obtain an annual license from the county upon payment of a fee of \$25.00. Such license shall be obtained no later than 30 days after assuming

ownership of a sixth animal and must be renewed annually by January 1st. The annual renewal fee shall be \$10 if the owner receives an inspection of excellent. Payment by a multiple-pet owner shall not exempt such licensee from payment of county registration fees for each dog or cat owned by him/her.

(B) Multiple-pet ownership without obtaining such license shall be in violation of law for which, upon conviction thereof, such owner shall be penalized not less than \$50.00 and not more than \$500.00.

(C) If someone has five or more "breedable females" (dogs or cats) and are selling the offspring and/or the adults, the owner of the animals would need to be licensed with Illinois Department of Agriculture. If the owner has a license with the Department, they would not need a multiple-pet license with the county. The owners will still have to comply with county ordinances in regards to rabies vaccination and registration of the animals. Anyone found in violation of this section would be charged with operating a kennel without a license.

2-5-12 Multiple pet-owner licensee requirements

An applicant for a multiple-pet license shall consent to the inspection of the premises where his animals are kept or maintained. Such inspection shall be performed before issuance of the license or upon receipt of a complaint. Annual inspections may be required for multiple-pet owners with marginally acceptable standards. Such inspection may be performed by the Administrator. Failure to comply with a request for inspection is a violation of this article. Holders of multiple-pet licenses shall conform to the following requirements:

(1) All dogs and/or cats over four months of age must be inoculated against rabies and registered pursuant to this article.

(2) All dogs and/or cats must be provided with a continuous supply of fresh water, sufficient food to maintain acceptable body weight, proper shelter, protection from the weather and sufficient veterinary care to prevent suffering.

- (3) If the dogs and/or cats are kept or maintained within a structure or building, such building shall:
 - a) Be kept clean, free of feces and urine.
 - b) Not constitute a nuisance or danger to the health or welfare of its inhabitants nor surrounding residents.
 - c) Be well ventilated and maintain appropriate temperature (follow USDA guidelines) to prevent suffering.
- (4) If the dogs and/or cats are kept or maintained outside a building;
 - a) A shelter of sufficient size to permit such animal to stand up and turn around inside when fully grown shall be provided at all times
 - b) The shelter shall have four sides, a roof, floor, bedding, and an opening large enough for the animal to enter the shelter. The shelter shall be placed to provide shade from the sun and protection from the weather.
 - c) The shelter shall be placed at least ten feet from all property lines except where there is an alley.
 - d) A dog shall be deemed to be housed outside if said dog is outside for more than eight hours in the aggregate during any 24-hour period or is outside for more than 30 minutes between the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.
- (5) The dogs and/or cats shall be prevented from running at large.
- (6) The dogs and/or cats shall be prevented from causing a nuisance pursuant to section 2-5-16 of this act.
- (7) The owner's property shall be kept free of all feces and urine to prevent its accumulation from constituting a health hazard or an odorous nuisance.
- (8) The applicant shall not have been found guilty of more than three violations of the animal control ordinance within the previous three years from the date of application.
- (9) The owner shall immediately notify the Animal Control Administrator of any change in the animals governed by the multiple pet license including the rabies vaccination and registration required pursuant to this article.

2-5-13 Revocation of multiple-pet license

(A) Upon conviction of a second violation of the requirements pursuant to this article, the administrator shall revoke the multiple pet license for a period of not less than three months not more than five years, the length of the revocation period to be determined by the number and severity of the violations. After expiration of the revocation period, the license shall not be automatically reinstated. The former licensee must reapply for the license and show an ability to conform to the existing ordinances before he may be issued a multiple pet license.

(B) Upon revocation of the license, the owner shall relinquish ownership of his/her animals to the Administrator.

2-5-14 Impoundment of multiple pets

(A) The Administrator may impound the dogs and/or cats of any multiple-pet owner if such owner does not hold a multiple-pet license.

(B) Such animals shall be redeemed by the owner upon payment to the Administrator the lawful fees accrued pursuant to this chapter and after application and approval for a multiple-pet owner license.

2-5-15 No feral cat colonies are allowed

No person shall feed, keep, harbor, permit, or start up any feral cat colonies in the county. The cats will be impounded and euthanized.

2-5-16 Female dogs and cats in heat

Every owner of a female dog or cat shall cause such dog or cat to be confined in a secure enclosure while in heat.

2-5-17 Responsibility of owner of rental property

Owner of rental property who rents to a person who owns an animal that attacks another person or companion animal will be responsible for damages if renter has no insurance to cover the costs of damages.

2-5-18 Normal husbandry practices

Nothing in this division affects normal, good husbandry practices utilized by any person in the production of food, companion or work animals, or in the extermination of undesirable pests. In case of any alleged conflict between this division, and the Wildlife Code of Illinois (520 ILCS 5/1.1 et seq.), or "An Act to define and require the use of humane methods in the handling, preparation for slaughter, and slaughter of livestock for meat or meat products to be offered for sale" (510 ILCS 75/1 et seq.), approved July 26, 1967, as amended, the provisions of those acts shall prevail.

2-5-19 Violations; penalties

Any person found guilty of a violation of this chapter, in a court of law shall pay a fine of not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75.00), nor more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00). A penalty under this section shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any action taken.

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