TRAINING TASK: ANIMAL COMPLAINTS

TASK # 24

Purpose

The officer will recognize and enforce animal ordinances Destruction of sick and injured animals.

Preceding Task:

Minor Misdemeanor Citation

I. Statute and City Ordinances

A. Chapter 618 of City Ordinances

II. Policy and Procedure

- A. G.O. 42.2.1 Barking Complaints
- B. Training Bulletin: Police Procedure #15 Control and Quarantine of Bite Animals
- C. Bark Folder

III. Operational Procedure

- A. Recognition of Enforcement
 - 1. Barking dogs
 - 2. Dogs and cats at large
 - a. Impound hold periods
 - b. Vicious dogs
 - 3. Dog bites
 - a. Must fill out Animal Complaint Card
 - 1. List victim information and dog description
 - 2. Fill out card even if owner or family member are bitten
 - b. Inform owner of quarantine of 10 days (fill out quarantine card)
 - 1. May be quarantined at owners house
 - 2. Officer may remove animal and take it to Montgomery County Animal Shelter if not assured it will be quarantined

- 3. Any stray domestic animal must be removed and quarantined at Montgomery County Animal Shelter
- c. Wildlife bites
 - 1. Animal must be humanely destroyed and tested for rabies
 - a. Must notify Combined health District or MCAS
 - b. Do not damage brain
 - c. Keep carcass cool for testing (not frozen)
 - 2. At this time biting squirrels are not destroyed or tested for rabies
- 4. Dog Licensing
- 5. Rabies control
 - a. Vaccinations required for dogs and cats
- 6. Exotic animals
- 7. Removal of Defecation
- 8. Decision
 - a. Issue minor misdemeanor citation
 - 1. Wording: Owner, harborer, keeper, or person having custody or control
 - 2. Preferable to cite the registered owner
 - b. Warning
 - 1. Fill out animal complaint card
- B. Lost and Found Animal File in dispatch
- C. Injured or sick wild animals
 - 1. Destroy with 410 shotgun or other appropriate weapon
 - a. Notify supervisor
 - b. Fill out Discharge of Firearm to Destroy Sick/Injured Animal Form
 - c. Dispose of body at Street Garage
 - 2. Can house in cage at KPD or transport to Montgomery County Animal Shelter - keys to van can be obtained through dispatch or a supervisor, if necessary
- D. Domestic Injure/Sick Animals
 - 1. Locate owner
 - 2. Transport to Montgomery County Animal Shelter or local vet:

NOTE - The City will not pay the bill

- 3. House in van cages
- E. Available equipment
 - 1. Control pole--in van
 - 2. Snare
 - 3. Live traps

I acknowledge that I received training in the skills and knowledge necessary to perform in the above Training/Task Topics, and I am able to perform at an acceptable level.

Probationary Officer Date

Supervisor Date

FTO Date