

RESTRICTIONS ON KEEPING OF DOGS AND CATS.

(a) Definitions:

At Large. To be off the premises of the owner and not under the control of some person either by leash or otherwise, but a dog or cat within an automobile of any other person with the consent of the dog's or cat's owner shall be deemed to be upon the owner's premises.

Owner. Any person owning, harboring or keeping a dog or cat and the occupant of any premises on which a dog or cat remains or to which it customarily returns daily for a period of 10 days is presumed to be harboring or keeping the dog or cat within the meaning of this chapter.

(b) Restrictions. No person within the Village shall own, harbor or keep any dog or cat which:

1. Habitually pursues any vehicle upon any public street, alley or highway in the Village.
2. Assaults or attacks any person.
3. Is at large within the limits of the Village.
4. Habitually barks or howls to the annoyance of any person or persons.
5. Kills, wounds or worries any domestic animal.
6. Is known by such person to be infected with rabies or to have been bitten by an animal known to have been infected with rabies.

(c) Barking or Howling Animals. A dog or cat is considered to be in violation of par. (b)4. when 2 written, formal complaints are filed with the Police Department within a 4-week period.

(d) Vicious Dogs. No vicious dog shall be allowed off the premises of its owner unless muzzled or on a leash in charge of the owner or a member of the owner's immediate family over 16 years of age. A dog is declared to be vicious within the meaning of this section when it shall have bitten any person or when a propensity to attack or bite human

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beings shall exist and is known, or ought reasonably to be known to the owner or any member of the owner's immediate family over 16 years of age. Any vicious dog which is found off the premises of its owner other than as provided, may be seized by any person and upon delivery to the proper authorities, may, upon establishment to the satisfaction of a court of competent jurisdiction of the vicious character of the dog, by testimony under oath reduced to writing, be killed by the police authorities.

(7) IMPOUNDMENT OF DOG/CAT. (Am. #99-8)

(a) Impounding of Dogs/Cats. The Police Department may seize and impound any dog/cat running at large, or any unlicensed dog/cat at large or upon a person's premises. Upon the impounding of any dog/cat, the Police Department shall notify the owner personally or through the United States mail if such owner be known to the Police Department or can be ascertained with reasonable effort. If after 7 days the owner does not claim such dog/cat, the Police Department

shall dispose of the dog/cat in a proper and humane manner.

(b) Owner May Redeem Dog/Cat. The owner of any dog/cat impounded may redeem his dog/cat within the period above specified upon payment pursuant to the Village Fee Schedule.

(c) Village Not Liable for Impounded Dogs/Cats. The Village shall not be liable for the death of any dog/cat, which has been impounded or disposed of pursuant to this section.

(8) DOGS AND CATS RESTRICTED ON PUBLIC GROUNDS AND CEMETERIES.

No dog or cat is permitted in any school ground, public playground, public park or other public grounds within the village unless such dog or cat is entered in a contest approved by the Village Board or is on a leash.

Dogs and cats are prohibited from being in cemeteries.

Every dog specially trained to lead blind persons shall be exempt from this section.