

TOWN OF NORWAY

DOG ORDINANCE

- SEC. 1 - DEFINITIONS AS USED IN THE ORDINANCE.
- A "DOG" - SHALL MEAN BOTH MALE AND FEMALE
- B "OWNER" - SHALL MEAN ANY PERSON OR PERSONS OWNING OR KEEPING, HARBORING, OR IN THE POSSESSION OF, OR HAVING CONTROL OF A DOG.
- SEC. 2 - "AT LARGE" - IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR OWNER OR KEEPER OF A DOG TO PERMIT SUCH DOG TO BE AT LARGE.
- SEC. 3 - "NOISOME" - IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR OWNER OF A DOG TO PERMIT SUCH DOG TO DISTURB THE PEACE OF ANY PERSON BY BITING, CHASING, OR CONTINUED BARKING OR HOWLING OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER OR TO DESTROY THE PROPERTY OF ANY PERSON, OR TIPPING OVER WASTE RECEPTACLE.
- SEC. 4 - "DOG IN HEAT" - IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR THE OWNER OF A FEMALE DOG TO CAUSE OR PERMIT SUCH DOG TO BE BEYOND THE OWNERS PREMISES AT ANYTIME SHE IS IN HEAT UNLESS SUCH DOG IS RESTRAINED BY A LEASH, CORD OR CHAIN. IF SUCH DOG IS WITH THE OWNER OFF THE PREMISES SAID DOG MUST BE CONTROLLED BY A LEASH NOT OVER EIGHT FEET LONG.
- SEC. 5 - "VALIDITY" - IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY THAT EACH SEPARATE SECTION OF THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE DEEMED INDEPENDENT OF ALL OTHER SECTIONS HEREIN AND IT IS FURTHER INTENTIONS OF THE MUNICIPALITY THAT IS ANY PROVISION OF THIS ORDINANCE BE DECLARED INVALID, ALL OTHER SECTIONS THEREOF SHALL REMAIN VALID AND ENFORCEABLE.
- SEC. 6 - "WARNING" - UPON WRITTEN COMPLAINT BY THE PERSON DISTURBED, SIGNED AND SWORN TO, ANY CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF NORWAY OR DULY QUALIFIED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL MAY INVESTIGATE AND MAY GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE OWNER OR KEEPER OF SUCH DOG THAT SUCH ANNOYANCE OR DISTURBANCE MUST CEASE. THE WARNING SHALL BE MADE PART OF THE COMPLAINT.
- SEC. 7 - "PENALTY" - THEREAFTER, UPON CONTINUANCE OF SUCH ANNOYANCE OR DISTURBANCE, SUCH OWNER SHALL BE GUILTY OF A CIVIL VIOLATION AND UPON CONVICTION THEREOF SHALL BE PUNISHED BY A FINE OF \$50.00 FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE. EACH ADDITIONAL CONVICTION AFTER THE FIRST CONVICTION SHALL BE PUNISHED BY A FINE OF AT LEAST \$100.00. ALL FINES SO ASSESSED SHALL BE RECOVERED FOR THE USE OF THE TOWN OF NORWAY THROUGH DISTRICT COURT.

ENACTED: ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 6, 1972

AMENDED: SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OCTOBER 19, 1995.

A True Copy Attest:


Shirley H. Boyce, Town Clerk