

**CHAPTER 6
ANIMAL CONTROL**

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7-6-1 **BEEKEEPING**

Bees and beehives shall be only be permitted in Agricultural zoning.

7-6-2 **KEEPING ANIMALS**

No person shall keep any animal, other than domestic pets, on any premises in the Village, except for those properties zoned agricultural. No person and no family or household may keep more than three (3) domestic pets at any time on any premises in the Village, except that puppies or kittens may be kept for three (3) months after birth. “Domestic pets” means only dogs or cats, and no other kind or type of animal.

It shall be illegal to maintain in a residentially zoned neighborhood any livestock with the exception of hens. A maximum of four (4) hens per property may be kept in single-family residential zoning district only. “Livestock” means bison, cattle, swine, sheep, goats, equidae, hens or geese.

7-6-3 **DUTIES OF POLICE DEPARTMENT**

It shall be the duty of the Police Department to enforce the provisions of this Chapter.

7-6-4 **INOCULATION FOR RABIES**

All dogs in the Village shall be inoculated for rabies, and the owner of any dog in the Village shall procure and have a certificate of a veterinarian licensed by the State of Illinois that the dog has been so inoculated for rabies. He shall exhibit such certificate when requested by Village authorities having jurisdiction in the premises.

7-6-5 **CRUELTY TO ANIMALS**

No person shall inhumanely, unnecessarily or cruelly beat, injure or otherwise abuse any animal.

7-6-6 NOISY DOGS

On complaint being made to the Police Department of any dog within the Village which shall be barking, biting, howling or in any other way or manner disturbing the quiet of any person, the Police Department, on being satisfied of the truth of such complaint, shall give notice thereof to the person keeping or permitting such dog to remain in or on the premises. In case such person shall, after such notice, neglect to prevent the disturbance, he shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than five-hundred dollars (\$500.00).

7-6-7 REMOVAL OF DEFECATION

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause or permit a dog to be on any property, public or private, not owned or possessed by such person unless such person has in his immediate possession a device for the removal of excrement and a depository for the transmission of excrement to a receptacle located upon property owned or possessed by such person.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person in control of, causing or permitting any dog to be on any property, public or private, not owned or possessed by such person to fail to remove excrement left by such dog to a proper receptacle located on property owned or possessed by such person.

7-6-8 CONFINEMENT

The owner of a vicious animal shall not suffer or permit the animal to go unconfined.

7-6-9 LEASH AND MUZZLE

The owner of a vicious animal shall not suffer or permit the animal to go beyond the premises of the owner unless the animal is securely muzzled and restrained by a chain or leash, and under the physical restraint of a person. The muzzle shall be made in a manner that will not cause injury to the animal or interfere with its vision or respiration but shall prevent it from biting any human or other animal.

7-6-10 SIGNS

The owner of a vicious animal shall display in a prominent place on his or her premises a clearly visible warning sign indicating that there is a vicious animal on the premises. A similar sign is required to be posted on the pen or kennel of the animal.

7-6-11 PENALTIES

Whoever violates any provision of this Chapter shall be fined an amount of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00).