

## **EXCERPTS from the Animal Control By- Law # 65-08**

### **Dog Licensing, Registration and Regulations**

Every owner of a dog, residing within the City shall cause the dog to be registered and licensed annually on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December in the previous year or within thirty (30) days of becoming and owner of a dog. ( 2.1)

### **Certificate of Anti-Rabies Vaccination**

Upon application for a license the owner of the dog shall be required to produce a certificate signed by a practicing veterinarian that the dog has been inoculated with an anti-rabies vaccine within a period of twenty-four (24) months prior to the date of application for a license (2.2)

### **Licensing Fees**

Every owner of a dog shall pay the license fee prescribed in the City of Cambridge Rate Review document. (2.3)

### **Tag**

On payment of the license fee for a dog, the owner shall be furnished with a dog tag from the city bearing a serial number and the year for which it was issued, for each dog so licensed and registered. (2.6)

### **Removal of Tag**

The owner shall keep the tag securely fixed at all times on the dog for which it is issued except that the collar and tag may be removed while the dog is confined on the property where it is habitually kept. (2.7)

### **Change of address**

Every owner of a dog shall, within thirty (30) days of moving a dog, provide the City with the owner's new address and telephone number. (2.10)

### **Number of Dogs**

Maximum Number of Dogs per Dwelling: No person shall keep or permit to be kept more than **three dogs** within or about any dwelling unit in the City.(2.16)

### **Expiry of License**

Any license issued in a year shall expire on the last day of the calendar year in which it was issued (December 31<sup>st</sup>) (2.21)

## **Owner Requirements**

### **No running at large**

No person shall allow a dog to run at large in the City (2.22)

### **Leash and Control**

Every dog owner shall ensure that his or her dog is under leash and under effective control of an adult person, or under the effective control of a child who has an adult person present with that child at all time, when off the premises of the owner. (2.23)

**Definition of Leash:** means a lead or tether no longer than 2.4 meters (8 feet)

### **Removal and Disposal of Excrement**

Every owner of a dog shall immediately remove and dispose of any excrement left by the dog on any property in the City other than the owner's property. (2.26)

### **Restraint in Moving Motor Vehicle**

No person shall allow a dog to be in a moving motor vehicle in an area that is not enclosed, including the back of a pick up truck or a flat bed truck, unless the dog is:

(a) contained in a ventilated kennel or similar device securely fastened to the bed of the truck, or

(b) securely tethered by a body harness in such a manner that it is not standing on bare metal, cannot jump or be thrown from the vehicle, and cannot reach beyond the outside edges of the vehicle. (2.27)

## **Animals Running At Large (other than dogs, i.e.cats)**

### **Prohibition against running at large**

No owner of any animal, other than a dog, shall allow the animal to run at large (11.1)

### **Prohibition against Trespass**

No owner of any animal, other than a dog shall allow the animal to trespass upon private property. (11.2)

Definitions as pertaining to the By Law #65-08 of the City of Cambridge

- (a) “Adult” means a person eighteen years of age or older.
- (b) “Animal” means a live, non-human vertebrate
- (c) “Animal Control Officer” means a person, servant or agent appointed by the City of Cambridge to enforce this by-law and any servant or agent of this person, including the Poundkeeper, employed for such purposes.
- (d) “Animal Running at Large” means an animal shall be deemed to be running at large when found in any place other than the premises of the owner and not under the control of any person.
- (e) “By-law enforcement Officer” means a person servant or agent appointed by the Council of the City to administer and enforce this by-law.

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