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**§2-101. Running at Large Prohibited**

It shall be unlawful for any person who owns or keeps any dog to permit such dog to run at large in the Borough in violation of the provisions of the Dog Law of 1982, 3 P.S. §459-101 et seq. Any dog running at large in violation of said law shall be subject to seizure, detention and disposal as provided therein.

(Ord. 380, 11/24/1980, §1; as amended by Ord. 494, 11/27/2000)

**§2-102. Disturbing the Peace Prohibited**

It shall be unlawful to own, possess, harbor, control or keep in custody any animal or bird which makes any noise continuously and/or incessantly for a period of ten minutes or makes such noise intermittently for one-half hour or more to the disturbance of any person any time of the day or night regardless of whether the animal or bird is physically situated in or upon private property, said noise being a nuisance.

(Ord. 380, 11/24/1980, §2; as amended by Ord. 518, 8/23/2004)

**§2-103. Warnings to Owners of Disturbing Dogs**

1. Any person may request the Borough Police Department to warn any person who shall own, harbor or keep in custody any dog which disturbs the peace by barking, howling or making other loud noise to the annoyance and discomfort of persons in the Borough.
2. Any such request shall be in writing and shall identify and specify the residence of the owner, keeper or custodian of the dog or other animal shall identify and specify the residence of the person making the request. Upon receipt of such request, the Borough Police shall mail a copy of this Part to the person identified as the owner, keeper or custodian of the dog or other animal. [Ord. 455]
3. A violation of this Part shall be deemed to have occurred upon a second or subsequent violation of §2-102 above, after the date of delivery of the warning.

(Ord. 380, 11/24/1980, §3; as amended by Ord. 455, 10/28/1996)

**§2-104. Injury to Humans**

It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog to permit said dog to injure any human being by biting, jumping on, knocking down or attacking said human being.

(Ord. 380, 11/24/1980, §4)

**§2-105. Nuisances**

No person owning, harboring, keeping or in charge of any dog shall cause, suffer or allow such dog to soil, defile, defecate on or commit any nuisance on any common thoroughfare, sidewalk, passageway, bypath, play area, park or any place where people congregate or walk, or on any public property whatsoever, or on any private property without the permission of the owner of said property. The restriction in this Section shall not apply to that portion of the street lying between the curblines, which may be used to curb such dog under the following conditions:

- A. The person who so curbs such dog shall immediately remove all feces deposited by such dog by any sanitary method.
- B. The feces removed from the aforementioned designated area shall be disposed of in a sanitary manner by the person owning, harboring, keeping or in charge of any dog curbed in accordance with the provisions of this Part.

(Ord. 380, 11/24/1980, §5)

**§2-106. Number of Dogs Limited**

It shall be unlawful to keep more than four dogs, 6 months of age or older, on any premises, regardless of the number of owners; provided, however, that this Section shall not apply to any premises for which a kennel license has been obtained pursuant to the Dog Law of 1982, 3 P.S. §459-101 et seq.

(Ord. 380, 11/24/1980, §6; as amended by Ord. 494, 11/27/2000)

**§2-107. Unlawful to Allow Dogs to Run at Large**

The owner or owners of every dog shall keep such dog at all times confined or secured so such dog cannot run at large.

Dog owners shall be defined as any person, firm or company, who or which owns, possesses, maintains, houses or keeps any dog, whether for compensation or otherwise.

It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog, or for any other person permanently or temporarily having the possession or custody of any dog, to permit such dog to run at large within the Municipality. A dog shall be deemed to be running at large when:

- A. It is off the premises of its owner and is not on a leash, tether, chain, rope or similar device, the overall length of which (including the hand grip) does not exceed 6 feet in length and which is held by a person able to control such dog. This provision shall not apply to a dog while participating in an arranged dog training class, trial or exhibition.
- B. It is left unattended on a leash, tether, chain, rope or similar device, which is tied or otherwise fastened to any tree, parking meter, sign post or other item within the public limits of any street, alley or other public property and the person in charge of such dog is not immediately adjacent to it and in a position to control the actions and conduct of such dog.

(Ord. 614, 09/22/2014)

**§2-108. Violations and Penalties**

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part shall be, upon conviction thereof, sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$600 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. Each day that a violation shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 380, 11/24/1980, §7; as amended by Ord. 424, 8/3/1993, Art. I, §1; and by Ord. 494, 11/27/2000)

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**§2-201. Permission Required to Harbor; Conditions; Revocation**

No person, firm or corporation, without special permission of the Borough Council, as hereinafter provided, shall harbor or keep any livestock or fowls at any place within the Borough. "Livestock" as used in this Part, shall include horses, donkeys, mules, ponies, cattle, sheep, pigs, hogs, llamas and alpacas. Permission to keep or harbor livestock or fowls may be granted by the Borough Council, at its discretion, in special cases where the Council considers that the keeping or harboring of such animals or fowls is not likely to become a source of annoyance to anyone in the Borough or a health hazard. Such permission may be granted upon conditions prescribed by the Council, such conditions to include such matters as:

- A. Limitation of the number and kind of animals or fowls to be kept or harbored on the premises.
- B. The type of shelter or pen to be provided and the location thereof.
- C. Sanitary standards to be adhered to.
- D. Any other factors deemed pertinent by the Council.

At any time, with or without cause, the Council may revoke a permission granted under this Section, and within 30 days after such revocation, the person, firm or corporation previously keeping or harboring any livestock or fowls under the permission thereby revoked shall cease to keep or harbor such livestock or fowls at any place within the Borough.

(Ord. 216, 6/29/1953, §1; as amended by Ord. 518, 8/23/2004)

**§2-202. Violations and Penalties**

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part shall be, upon conviction thereof, sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$600 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 216, 6/29/1953, §2; as amended by Ord. 424, 8/3/1993, Art. I, §1; by Ord. 455, 10/28/1996; and by Ord. 494, 11/27/2000)