

CHAPTER 3

ANIMALS

SECTION:

- 6-3-1: Definitions
- 6-3-2: Cruelty to Animals
- 6-3-3: Prohibited Animals; Exceptions
- 6-3-4: Dangerous Animals
- 6-3-5: Killing Dangerous Animals
- 6-3-6: Noises
- 6-3-7: Diseased Animals
- 6-3-8: Penalty

6-3-1: DEFINITIONS:

ANIMAL shall mean any animal, poultry, bird, reptile or any other dumb creature.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER shall mean the Chief of Police or his authorized representative.

HEALTH OFFICER shall mean the Village President or his authorized representative.

6-3-2: CRUELTY TO ANIMALS: Any person who shall be guilty of cruelty to any animal in any of the ways set forth in the following provisions of this Section shall be punished as provided in Section 6-3-8 of this Chapter.

(A) By overloading, overdriving, overworking, cruelly beating, torturing, knowingly allowing the same to be done.

(B) By unnecessarily failing to provide any animal in his charge or custody as owner or otherwise with proper food, drink, shelter and air.

(C) By abandoning any old, maimed, infirmed, sick or disabled animal.

6-3-3: PROHIBITED ANIMALS; EXCEPTIONS: No person shall keep any cattle, sheep, horses, goats, swine, rabbits or poultry at any place or upon any premises, situated in the Village without written approval of the Health Officer and the consent of the Board of Trustees. Exceptions shall include approved sale barns, railroads and transient trucks. (Ord. 286, 5-18-70)

6-3-4: DANGEROUS ANIMALS: It shall be unlawful to permit any dangerous animal or any vicious animal of any kind to run at large within the Village; exhibitions or parades of animals which are ferae naturae in the eyes of the law may be conducted only upon securing a permit from the Chief of Police. This Section as applying to dogs shall include any dog or dogs which act in a dangerous or vicious manner by charging, barking, growling, snarling or acting in a belligerent manner, when in close proximity to any person, thereby

causing such person undue alarm. Any person in the pursuit of legitimate business while entering upon any private property shall not be subjected to the action or actions of any dog or dogs as herein described. Any dog acting as herein described shall be declared a public nuisance. (Ord. 186, 4-6-57)

6-3-5: KILLING DANGEROUS ANIMALS: The members of the Police Department or any other person in the Village, are authorized to kill any dangerous animal of any kind when it is necessary for the protection of any person or property. (M.C. 1949, Sec. 423)

6-3-6: NOISES: It shall be unlawful to harbor or keep any animal which disturbs the peace by loud noises at any time of the day or night. (M.C. 1949, Sec. 421)

6-3-7: DISEASED ANIMALS: No domestic animal afflicted with a contagious disease or an infectious disease shall be allowed to run at large, or to be exposed in any public place whereby the health of man or beast may be affected; nor shall such diseased animal be shipped or removed from the premises of the owner thereof, except under the supervision of the Health Officer.

It is hereby made the duty of the Health Officer to secure such disposition of any diseased animal and such treatment of affected premises as to prevent the communication and spread of contagion or infection, except in cases where the State Veterinarian is empowered to act. (M.C. 1949, Sec. 424)

6-3-8: PENALTY: Any person violating any of the provisions of this Chapter shall be subject to a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00); and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues. (M.C. 1949, Sec. 426; amd. Ord. 286, 5-18-70; amd. Ord. 338, 1-3-77)