

DOG ORDINANCE NO. 80.9

Notice is hereby given to all Town of Schleswig residents of the new Licensing and Rabies Vaccination requirements under Chapter 289, laws of 1979 to include the following.

I. License Fees

- A. \$2.00 neutered male dog or spayed female dog.
- B. \$5.00 unneutered male dog or unspayed female dog.
- C. Failure to pay dog license fees with taxes will result in a \$5.00 fine plus the license fee.
- D. Kennel license fee \$25.00.

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II. Rabies Vaccination and Tag Requirements

- A. All dogs must be vaccinated by a veterinarian within 30 days after the dog reaches four months of age (in other words, by age five months) and re-vaccinated within 1 year after the initial vaccination. A continuing re-vaccination program is required at specific intervals.
- B. The veterinarian must issue a certificate of vaccination to the owner and keep a record of the information on file. The veterinarian must issue a rabies vaccination tag to the owner bearing the same serial number as the certificate. The vaccination tag must be worn on the dog's collar at all times except during show competition or while hunting.

III. Quarantine of Dogs

- A. Dogs suspected of having bitten a person may be ordered quarantined. Those with proof of current rabies vaccination may be quarantined on the owner's premises. Dogs not currently vaccinated against rabies will be quarantined in an isolation facility for a 10-day observation period. The veterinarian ~~may~~ may extend this period to 170 days if he deems it necessary.

IV. Penalties for Vaccination and Quarantine Violation

- A. An owner who fails to vaccinate his dog against rabies may be fined from \$50.00 to \$100.00. An owner who refuses to comply with an order of quarantine may be fined from \$100.00 to \$1,000.00 or imprisoned for 60 days or both.

V. Restraining Action

- A. Restraining action may be taken against a dog causing injury to a person or livestock if off the dog owner's premises. Irresponsible pet owners who allow their dogs to run at large, in packs, or untagged, are subject to penalty.

VI. Penalty for Restraining Action Violation

- A. An owner who violates the restraining action provision of the law is subject to a ~~\$25.00 to \$100.00~~ variety of forfeitures ranging from \$25.00 to \$200.00 depending on the number of offenses.

VII. Impounding and Killing of Dogs

- A. Any dog impounded by a town constable will be held for seven days. If the owner fails to claim dog at this time, the constable, at his discretion, can:
  - 1. Turn the dog over to the Humane Society.
  - 2. Kill the dog.
- B. In the event a constable is called the second time to the same residence for a dog disturbance, the owner of the dog will be faced with a \$25.00 fine. Any subsequent offenses thereafter will result in the same fine.