

Thornton Pet Owners



This is a reminder to all owners of animals within City limits.

4-1-2 LICENSE. Every owner of a dog or cat over the age of three (3) months shall procure a license from the City Clerk on or before the first day of May of each year and at any time for a dog or cat which has come into the possession or ownership of the applicant or which has reached the age of three (3) months after said date.

The annual license fee shall be \$10.00 for each male dog or cat, \$10.00 for each female dog or cat, and \$5.00 for each neutered or spayed dog or cat.

The term "at large" shall mean any licensed or unlicensed animal found off the premises of the owner and not under the control of a competent person, restrained within a motor vehicle, housed in a veterinary hospital or kennel, on a leash or "at heel" beside a competent person and obedient to that person's command.

Any dog or cat found running at large without the license tag attached to its collar or harness shall be deemed unlicensed & may face a Municipal fine.

4-1-3 IMMUNIZATION. All dogs and cats, six (6) months or older shall be vaccinated against rabies. Before issuance of the license the owner shall furnish a veterinarian's certificate showing that the dog or cat for which the license is sought has been vaccinated, and that the vaccination does not expire within six (6) months from the effective date of the license. It shall be a violation of this Ordinance for any dog not be vaccinated against rabies. This is the Law of the State of Iowa. A tag showing evidence of proper vaccination shall be worn by every dog or cat when not confined. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.33)

4-1-7 DANGEROUS ANIMALS. Dangerous Animals Prohibited. No person shall keep, shelter, or harbor for any purpose within the City limits, a dangerous animal.

4-1-8 KEEPING A VICIOUS ANIMAL. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to harbor or keep a vicious animal within the City. A vicious animal is deemed so when it shall have attacked or bitten any person without provocation, or when the propensity to attack or bite persons or other animals shall exist and such propensity is known or ought reasonably to be known to the owner thereof.