

Chapter 54

ANIMALS

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Montoursville as indicted in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

ARTICLE I

Dogs

[Adopted 5-20-1963 by Ord. No. 188; amended in its entirety 9-6-1982 by Ord. No. 280]

§ 54-1. Definitions.

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

PERSON — An individual, partnership, corporation, agency or institution owning, harboring, keeping or in charge of any dog.

§ 54-2. Running at large. [Amended 7-6-2020 by Ord. No. 486]

It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of any dog, whether such dog be licensed or unlicensed, to suffer or permit such dog to run at large, either upon public streets of the Borough or upon property of other than the owner or keeper, unaccompanied by the owner or keeper. This section shall not prohibit the unleashing of a dog while it is within any enclosed area of the Borough designated by Borough Council as a dog park, so long as the owner or keeper remains within or immediately outside the enclosure. At all such times, the dog shall remain in the care, custody and control of the owner or keeper.

§ 54-3. Unauthorized dogs on private property prohibited.

No person shall cause, suffer or allow any dog to be upon the private property of another within the Borough of Montoursville without the express authority or permission of the owner of that property.

§ 54-4. Unauthorized defecation prohibited.

No person shall cause, suffer or allow a dog to defecate upon any property within the Borough of Montoursville without the express authority or permission of the owner of that property, except as hereinafter set forth in § 54-4.

§ 54-5. Removal of feces required.

A person may cause, suffer or allow dogs to defecate in that area of any street or alley between the curblines or, where there are no curbs, in the paved area in the berm of any street or alley and in that area between the curbline and the berm and the sidewalk, provided that said person shall immediately after the dog has deposited his feces remove or cause to remove in a sanitary

manner any such feces so deposited and provided that said feces shall be wrapped or enclosed and deposited in said person's garbage or some other place approved by the Health Officer of the Borough of Montoursville in such a manner so as not to cause an odor or hazard to the borough.

§ 54-6. Disturbances unlawful. [Amended 8-7-2000 by Ord. No. 385]

It shall be unlawful to own, harbor or keep in custody any dog which disturbs the peace by barking, howling or making other loud noises to the annoyance and discomfort of any person in the Borough of Montoursville.

§ 54-7. Violations and penalties. [Amended 11-17-1986 by Ord. No. 310; 3-3-1997 by Ord. No. 370]

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this article shall, upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding, be subject to the penalty as set forth in Chapter 1, General Provisions, Article II, General Penalty.