

BE A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER

KNOW THE RULES.



THE TOWN OF

GRAND BANK

ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATIONS

ENSURING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT AND de QUALITY EXPERIENCE FOR ANIMALS, OWNERS, RESIDENTS AND VISITORS.

This Brochure provides information on how to be a responsible pet owner and the role of the Town of Grand Bank in regards to their Animal Control Regulations.

While dogs and cats make great pets and loving companions, there are responsibilities associated with owning a pet. Dogs and cats require daily feeding and exercise, continual access to fresh water, grooming, annual vaccinations and health check ups by a veterinarian.

No person shall keep an animal in an unsanitary condition. An animal is kept in an unsanitary condition where it is exposed to:

- (i) an accumulation of fecal matter;
- (ii) an odour;
- (iii) insect infestation; or
- (iv) rodent attractants

The Scoop on Dog Poop:

You must pick up all defecation produced by your dog both on and off your property. This includes on any highway, street, sidewalk, public park, open space, or private property within municipal boundaries.

Every owner of a dog shall immediately remove from his or her property any feces left by such animal, so as not to disturb the enjoyment, comfort or convenience of any person in the vicinity of the property.

Besides smelling foul and looking unsightly, dog feces also poses a health issue. Eggs of internal parasites found in dog feces can be transmitted to people and other pets.

Responsible dog owners always carry a plastic bag when walking, their pet on a leash. They should immediately pick up poop and deposit it in an appropriate garbage container. These containers will be

located in the following areas:

- Intersection Blackburn & Elizabeth
- Main Street Lions Park & Hospital Grounds
- Intersection of Riverside East & Highway
- Marine Drive by Stoodley Park
- Water Street end of Harris House Grounds
- Riverside West next to Fire Hall
- Highway Emberley's Intersection & Fortune Intersection

The fine for not picking up your dog's poop is \$75.



Pets at Large:

According to the Town's regulations, dogs and cats are not allowed to be "at large". This means they need to be under the control of their owner at all times. The fine for an "at large" dog or cat is \$50.

Ensure that your fence or dog run is intact and gate secured, so your dog or cat cannot get out of the yard. A dog or cat that is out without the owner is considered "at large".

Responsible pet owners always keep their pets on a leash, which can not be more than 3 meters (10 feet), when walking them. The fine for an "unleashed" dog or cat is \$50.

Dogs and Barking:

Whether we like it or not, barking is instinctive to dogs. Dogs bark out of boredom, to communicate.

with other dogs, alert their owners of possible threats and to protect their property. Barking, like other behavioural problems, can easily be changed with a little assistance from dog owners

Keeping your dog indoors will prevent barking from disturbing your neighbours. Responsible dog owners ensure their dog's barking is not disturbing neighbours and that their dogs are adequately exercised and stimulated to prevent boredom. The fine for "nuisance barking" is \$50.

Dangerous Dog:



Any dog who tends to attack, harass or bite other domestic animals or humans without provocation, or is any type of Pit Bull Terrier or other dog specifically bred or trained for fighting, must be muzzled when off it's owner's property. When at home the dog must be securely confined to a structure which will keep young children from entering and the dog from leaving.

The dangerous or vicious dog shall not be allowed on any streets or in any public place or any other place that is not owned or controlled by the owner unless the animal is on a substantial chain or leash not exceeding 1.5 metres in length, and under the control of a responsible person over the age of eighteen (18), and muzzled in a manner that will not cause injury to the animal or interfere with its vision or respiration but will prevent the animal from biting another animal or human.

No More Than 2 Dogs or 2 Cats Allowed:

No person shall keep or permit to be kept on any land or in any building in any area of the Town designated as residential or apartment more than two dogs or two cats at any one time, except under the following conditions:

- newborn puppies
- special permits
 - I. licensed Newfoundland & Labrador kennel breeders:
 - П. Unregistered breeders complying with SPCA standards:
 - III. Owners with more than two household pets that comply with SPCA standards

Offences:

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Every person who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of these regulations for which no other penalty is prescribed is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) or in default of payment to a period of imprisonment not exceeding ninety (90) days or to both such fine and period of imprisonment.

Every person who violates any of the provisions of these regulations shall be guilty of an offense and shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty as prescribed by these regulations.

SEIZING AND IMPOUNDING FEES

The following fees shall be paid by the owners of animals:



Seizing or Impounding - 1 st Offence \$50.00
Seizing or Impounding - 2 nd Offence \$75.00
For each subsequent offence
\$100.00 Daily fee for each animal held in pound
\$10.00
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All monies must be receipted at the Town Office before an animal is released.

VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

The following penalties shall be paid by the owners of the animals:

Defecating and not removed	\$75.00
Barking	\$50.00
Failure to keep animal on leash	\$50.00
Dangerous/Vicious Animal at Large	\$500.00
Complaints.	

Complaints:

To file a complaint or concern about an issue with an animal, contact the Town Office at 832-1600.

For detailed information on the Animal Control Regulations, please visit the Town Office.



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