

## **CHAPTER 3 ANIMALS**

### **Part 1 Control of Animals**

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#### **§101. Definition and Interpretation.**

The word "person" as used in this ordinance shall mean any person, partnership, association, firm or corporation who or which is the owner or keeper of any animal or fowl, as referred to in this ordinance. In this ordinance, the singular shall include the plural, the plural shall include the singular, and the masculine shall include the feminine and the neuter.

#### **§102. Unlawful to Permit Any Animal or Fowl to Run at Large; Effect on Dog Law of 1965.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any animal or fowl, which shall mean and include any livestock, domestic or farm animal or household pet, to be or run at large upon any public thoroughfare, upon any public ground, or to be or run at large on any private property other than the land and/or property of the owner or keeper of such animal or fowl, without the express permission of the owner or occupier of such private property. Provided: nothing herein shall be construed so as to deal with the same subject matter or to supplant or supersede any provision of any law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania dealing with strays, or of the Dog Law of 1965, as amended and supplemented.

#### **§103. Nuisances.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any animal or fowl, which shall mean and include any livestock, domestic or farm animal, or household pet, to soil, defile, defecate upon, any premises, including the premises of such person, under circumstances or to a degree which will have the effect of creating noxious odors to the annoyance of neighboring persons or passersby.

#### **§104. Penalty for Violation.**

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part or Ordinance shall, upon being found liable in a summary offense proceeding, pay a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 for each violation, plus court costs and such other costs and expenses as permitted by law, or upon default in payment of such fine and costs, undergo imprisonment to the extent allowed by the law for punishment of summary offenses. In addition to the other powers set forth herein for violation, the Township of Sewickley may institute proceedings in courts of equity to compel the

cessation of violation and, further, to collect all costs, charges and expenses incurred in the enforcement process.

**§105. Severability.**

In the event that any provisions, sections, sentences, clauses or parts of this ordinance shall properly be determined to be invalid or illegal, such invalidity or illegality shall not affect or impair any remaining provisions, sections, sentences, clauses or parts of this ordinance, it being the intent of the Township of Sewickley that such remainder shall be and remain in full force and effect, and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.