
Sec. 3-110. Animals in residential areas; limitations.

- (a) The owner and any person having control over any animal or fowl shall keep the same confined within a building or adequate fencing at all times.
- (b) It shall be unlawful to permit any animal to:
 - (1) Roam, wander upon or remain upon any public property or street, while unattended by the owner or person having control; or
 - (2) Go upon or remain upon any private property without the consent of the owner of the property.
- (c) Any owner or person having control of any animal or fowl shall keep all hay, grain and feed used in connection with the maintenance thereof enclosed in such manner that the same is not accessible to rats, flies, mosquitoes or other rodents or insects.

(Ord. No. 1675, § 2, 1-7-14)

Sec. 3-240. Public nuisances.

No person shall willfully or knowingly keep or harbor on his premises or elsewhere any animal, livestock, or fowl of any kind that makes or creates an unreasonable disturbance to the neighbors or the occupants of adjacent premises or persons living in the vicinity thereof. Unreasonable disturbance includes, but is not limited to, animal making or creating prolonged noises by howling, barking, bawling or otherwise. It shall create a presumption that a person has knowledge that the animal under their control is making or creating an unreasonable disturbance if such person shall have been notified by the Animal Control Officer or any peace officer of such disturbance and:

- (a) Failed or refused to correct such disturbance; or
- (b) Prevent its recurrence.
 - (1) It shall be unlawful for any owner of any animal to maintain yards, pens, stables, sheds, coops, or other enclosures in which any animal is confined in such a manner as to give off odors offensive to persons of ordinary sensibilities residing in the vicinity, or to breed or attract flies, mosquitoes, or other noxious insects or rodents, or in any manner to endanger the public health, safety or welfare, or to create a public nuisance.
 - (2) Manure and droppings shall be removed from pens, stables, yards, coops, and other enclosures regularly and handled or disposed of in such a manner as to keep the premises free of any nuisance.
 - (3) Mound storage of droppings of manure between such removals shall be permitted, only under such conditions as to protect against the breeding of flies, rodents, and to prevent the migration of fly larvae (maggots) into the surrounding soil.
 - (4) The feeding of vegetables, meat scraps or garbage to livestock shall be done only in impervious containers or on an impervious platform.
 - (5) Watering troughs or tanks shall be provided by the owner, which shall be equipped with adequate facilities for draining the overflow so as to prevent the breeding of flies, mosquitoes, or other insects.
 - (6) No putrescible material shall be allowed to accumulate on the premises; and all such material used to feed which is unconsumed shall be removed and disposed of by sanitary means.

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- (7) It shall be unlawful for any person to maintain any animal which repeatedly trespasses on public property, attacks other animals, or causes damage to public or private property.
 - (8) No person shall willfully or knowingly allow a stray animal to remain on their premises. Any person willfully or knowingly who feeds or waters stray animals, or in any way encourages a stray animal to remain on their property, shall be in violation of this chapter. All provisions of this chapter shall apply to that person.

(Ord. No. 1675, § 2, 1-7-14)

Sec. 3-420. Livestock.

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep on premises under the person's control any livestock without providing adequate fences or barriers that will prevent such livestock from leaving the property of the person having control of such animal.

(Ord. No. 1675, § 2, 1-7-14)

Sec. 3-430. Livestock at large; impoundment.

The animal control officer shall take into custody any livestock found at large in the city. The animal control officer shall have the discretion of impounding the livestock and transporting to a storage facility or containing the livestock at the location until the owner of the livestock can be located and recover the livestock. Discretion shall be based on such practical considerations as number of livestock, apprehension, containment and hazards to the community.

Due to such considerations as number of livestock involved, size and difficulty of livestock handled, and transportation requirement, the animal control officer may use a livestock collection and holding service franchised with the City of Keller or a Tarrant County constable to collect and hold livestock found at large. Disposition of the livestock will be determined by the Tarrant County constable.

(Ord. No. 1675, § 2, 1-7-14)

Sec. 3-450. Places prohibited to livestock.

It shall be unlawful for any person to ride or allow any type of livestock upon any public school grounds, college grounds, public park, property or municipal grounds within the city, except those designated as bridle paths or other designated riding or exhibiting areas for livestock or with the effective consent of an employee with the power and authority to authorize such activity. On streets, horses shall be ridden as close as possible to the curb, and in no event shall horses be allowed on state highways. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride or allow any type of livestock upon the property of another within the city, except with the express consent of the owner or person in charge of such property obtained prior thereto.

(Ord. No. 1675, § 2, 1-7-14)