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ANIMAL CONTROL - KENNEL ORDINANCE

1801.0 - DEFINITIONS

Unless specified otherwise the following terms shall be defined herein.

Dog: Any domestic animal, male or female, sexed or neutered.

Cat: Any domestic feline animal, male or female, sexed or neutered.

A. **Animal:** "Animal" includes every living (A) warm-blooded creature except farm livestock (swine, cattle, horses, sheep, goats, llama, geese, duck or other poultry) and a human being; (B) reptiles; (C) amphibians.

B. **Owner/Custodian:** The term "owner/custodian" shall mean any person, group of persons or corporation owning, keeping, harboring, having charge or control of, or permitting any animal to habitually be or remain on or be lodged or fed within such persons residence, yard, or premises for a period of five (5) days or longer. This term shall not apply to veterinarians or kennel operators temporarily maintaining on their premises dogs or cats owned by others.

C. **Own:** The term "own" unless otherwise specified shall be deemed to mean keep, have control, charge or custody of an animal for a period of five (5) days or longer. This term shall not apply to dogs or cats owned by others which are temporarily maintained on the premises of a veterinarian or kennel operator.

D. **Dog:** The term "dog" shall apply to canine animals, male or female, altered or unaltered.

E. **Stray:** Shall mean any dog or cat that has wandered beyond the limits of confinement or is lost and does not possess any tags identifications.

F. **At Large:** Any animal that is off the premises or property of the owner and not under the control of a responsible person, unattended, or not on a leash not more than eight (8) feet long, and not confined within a vehicle.

G. **Restraint:** An animal is under "restraint" within the meaning of this Ordinance if it is controlled by a leash, not more than eight (8) feet long or by a competent person and immediately obedient to that person's command or within a vehicle being driven or parked on the streets or roads or within the property lines of its owner.

H. **Notice of Forfeiture:** A citation that may be issued by the Animal Control Officer in lieu of a court summons and made payable to the Hinsdale Town Clerk within ninety-six (96) hours of its issuance.

I. **2nd / Subsequent Offenses:** Offenses that occur within a twelve (12) month period of time of the first offense.

J. Stock / Livestock: Farm animals which include horses, cattle sheep, goats, swine, llama, geese, ducks, and other poultry and animals.

K. Nuisance Animal or Fowl. Any animal or fowl which by frequent and habitual howling, yelping, barking, or other, shall cause serious annoyance or disturbance to person (s) or to a neighborhood or habitually pursues any pedestrian, bicycle or vehicle up on any public street or highway. The provision of this Ordinance shall not apply to duly authorized hospitals or clinics conducted for the treatment of small animals.

L. Dangerous Animal.

1. Any animal which constitutes a physical threat to human beings or to other domestic animals by virtue of a known history to endanger life by an unprovoked assault or bite so as to cause bodily harm.
2. An animal trained, owned, or harbored for the purpose, primarily or in part, of fighting.
3. An animal shall not be deemed dangerous if:
 - (a) It bites, attacks, or menaces anyone assaulting the owner.
 - (b) It bites, attacks, or menaces a trespasser on the property of the owner.
 - (c) It bites, attacks, or menaces any person or other animal that has tormented or abused it.
 - (d) It is otherwise acting in defense of an attack from a person or other animal upon the owner or other person.
 - (e) It is protecting or defending its young or other animal.

M. Abused Animal. Any animal which is:

1. Mistreated, beaten, tormented or teased.
2. Deprived of sufficient and wholesome water, food, or shelter.
3. Is kept under unhealthy conditions.
4. Is trained for fighting other animals.

N. Proper Enclosure. A fence or structure of suitable height, forming or causing an enclosure suitable to prevent the entry of any young children. Such enclosure shall be locked and shall be designed with secure sides to prevent an animal from escaping from the enclosure.

O. Individual Dog Owner. The term "individual dog owner" means an owner of no more than four (4) dogs over the age of five (5) months which dogs are kept on a premise occupied for residential purposes. To qualify as an individual dog owner there may be no more than four (4) dogs kept.

P. Private Dog Kennel or Group License. The term "Private Dog Kennel" means a place where there are five (5) but less than eight (8) dogs over the age of five (5) months are kept and where the keeping of such animals is incidental to the occupancy of the premises and is not the primary source of income of the occupant or owner of the property. Owner of a Private Kennel also must be a town resident. Private Dog Kennels are allowed in the Rural Agricultural District on land of two (2) acres or more, and are subject to Site Plan Approval with the Hinsdale Planning Board and shall apply annually and prior to expiration, in the case of an existing permitted kennel, for a Private Kennel License to the Board of Selectmen.

Q. Commercial Dog Kennel. Commercial Dog Kennels are allowed in the Industrial District on land of two (2) acres or more, and are subject to Site Plan Approval with the Hinsdale Planning Board and shall apply annually and prior to expiration, in the case of an existing permitted kennel, for a Commercial Kennel License to the Board of Selectmen.

R. Wild Animal. Any animal other than domesticated household pets such as dogs, cats, mice, gerbils, hamsters, turtles, and non-poisonous snakes and lizards, and other farm animals include fur-bearing animals, game, game animals and game birds.

S. Exotic Animal. Any animal not native to New Hampshire or to the United States. Exotic animals include but are not limited to tigers, lions, and pandas.

T. Town. The term "town" as used in this Ordinance shall mean the Town of Hinsdale, Cheshire County, New Hampshire.

U. Animal Shelter. Any premises designated by the action of the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen for the purposes of impounding and caring for all animals found in violation of this Ordinance. Cheshire County Humane Society is the current designated animal shelter for the Town of Hinsdale.

V. Animal Control Officer. The "Animal Control Officer" shall be the person appointed by the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen to enforce this Ordinance, and may include the Town Health and Code Officer, a representative of the Humane Society of Cheshire County, any officer of the Hinsdale Police Department, elected Town Officials, and any other agent (including veterinarians) who may be appointed from time to time by the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen to enforce this Ordinance.

1802.0 AUTHORITY.

The Animal Control Officer, Health and Code Officer, or any Hinsdale Police Officer, shall have the authority to enforce the observance of the Hinsdale Town Ordinances relating to Animal Control.

The Hinsdale Board of Selectmen shall empower the duties of the Animal Control Officer and Health and Code Officer to serve notice of forfeiture (citation) relating to Animal Control and it shall also empower the Animal Control Officer and Health and Code Officer to investigate all reports of violations involving animals in this Chapter and the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated.

1803.0 LICENSE AND FEES

The owner of a dog owned, kept, harbored or maintained in the Town of Hinsdale shall license and register the dog as specified under NH RSA 466:1. The license fees set forth in NH RSA 466:4 are hereby increased by the sum of one (\$1) dollar as permitted by NH RSA 466:39. License and fee schedule shall be available in the Town Clerk's Office.

1804.0 LATE FEES

In addition to the license fees provided in Section 1803.0, "License and Fees," there shall be a charge of one (\$1) dollar for each month or any part thereof that the fees remain unpaid if said fees are not paid before May 1 in each year.

1805.0 FORFEITURE FOR UNLICENSED DOGS

Whoever the owner is of a dog contrary to Section 1803.0, "License and Fees", shall forfeit twenty-five (\$25) dollars to the Town of Hinsdale. If said forfeiture is not made to the Town Clerk within ninety-six (96) hours of notice of forfeiture, the case will be disposed of in the Keene District Court. The forfeiture shall not preclude proper licensing of the dog as required by this Chapter.

1806.0 ANIMALS AT LARGE

No dog or stock/livestock shall run "at large" at any time within the Town of Hinsdale. This section shall not apply to dogs in use with their owners during lawful hunting.

School Grounds: No dog shall be, at any time, in a school or on a school grounds unless leashed.

Parade and/or Town Sponsored Public Events: No animal shall be, at any time, permitted at parades and/or town sponsored public events. This section does not apply to Hearing and/or Sight-Impaired guide dogs, Handicap Assisting dogs, animals permitted to be there by the town, or dogs owned, or employed by or on the behalf of Law Enforcement.

Cemetery Areas: No dog shall be on land owned and/or used by the Town of Hinsdale or any of its Departments for cemetery purposes unless authorized by the Parks and Recreation Director or his or her designee unless leashed. This section does not apply to Hearing and/or Sight Impaired Guide Dogs, Handicap Assisting dogs, or dogs owned, or employed by or on behalf of Law Enforcement during official duties.

Commercial Areas: Unless on a leash not over eight (8) feet long, no dog shall be in the commercial area of the Town of Hinsdale. The commercial areas are hereby defined and described as any area zoned “Business” under the Town of Hinsdale Zoning Ordinance. The prohibition in the case of streets shall be for the entire right-of-way, including paved areas, shoulder or gutter, grass plot and sidewalks, whether paved or not.

Restaurants and Food Stores: No person shall bring any animal into any restaurant or any store that sells food. This section does not apply to Hearing and/or Sight –Impaired guide dogs, Handicap Assisting dogs, or dogs owned, or employed by or on behalf of Law Enforcement during official duties.

1807.0 EXCEPTIONS

1. Hospitals, clinics, and other premises operated by licensed veterinarians exclusively for the care and treatment of animals are exempt from provisions of this Ordinance, except where such duties are expressly stated.

A. The licensing requirements of this Ordinance shall not apply to any dog belonging to a non-resident and kept within the Town for less than thirty (30) days, provided that all such dogs shall at all times be kept under restraint.

B. Any dogs owned, kept or harbored by an individual or corporation holding either a private or Commercial Kennel License need not be individually licensed.

C. Every dog specially trained to lead blind or deaf person or to provide support for mobility impaired person is exempt from dog license fee and every person owning such a dog shall receive annually a free dog license.

D. There shall be two (2) types of Kennel Licenses issued:

1. Private Dog Kennel
2. Commercial Dog Kennel

1808.0 DOG KENNELS

1808.1 PRIVATE KENNEL LICENSE

1. Any premises with where there are five (5) and no more than eight (8) dogs over the age of five (5) months is required to have a Private Kennel License issued by the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen. A Private Kennel License shall not be issued unless the application for such license is accompanied by the written approval thereof by the occupants of all privately owned real estate abutting the premises on which such kennel is to be located or unless the applicant's kennel is 300 feet or more from any adjacent owner's property line. Approval of abutting property owners is necessary only for the initial licensing. Private Dog Kennels shall be located in the Rural Agricultural District on land of two (2) acres or more. Private Dog Kennels shall be subject to Site Plan Approval by the Hinsdale Planning Board. Kennel Owners shall apply annually and prior to expiration, in the case of an existing permitted kennel, for a Private Kennel License to the Board of Selectmen.

2. In circumstances requiring a Private Kennel License under this Ordinance, no dogs may be kept on the premises until the Private Kennel License is issued and the fee is paid.

3. The fee for a Private Dog Kennel (Group License) shall be twenty (\$20.00) dollars per year payable to the Town Clerk.

4. Where a kennel would otherwise be a Private Kennel, but the licensee breeds and sells pups, then the kennel must comply with all regulations of a commercial kennel, including licensing fees, exception of need to occupy in the Industrial District.

5. Where the licensee is not the owner of the premises, the owner of the premises shall be subject to the rules and regulations of this Ordinance pertaining to permitted number of dogs and all other health, welfare and safety regulations pertaining to dogs or enacted for the general welfare of the public, and no license shall be issued to a non-owner licensee unless the owner of the premises acknowledges in writing he/she is subject to the provisions of this Ordinance.

6. The Hinsdale Board of Selectmen of the Town of Hinsdale may grant a Private Kennel License only following approval of a Site Plan required by the Hinsdale Planning Board.

1808.2 COMMERCIAL DOG KENNEL LICENSE

1. Any place with more than eight (8) and no more than twenty-five (25) dogs over the age of five (5) months shall be required to have a Commercial Dog Kennel license.

2. The Hinsdale Board Selectmen has the authority to grant a commercial dog kennel license following Site Plan Approval. A Commercial Dog Kennel shall not be located within one thousand and five hundred (1,500) feet of a private residence. It shall be located in the Industrial District on land of two (2) acres or more. Commercial Dog Kennels shall be subject to Site Plan Approval by the Hinsdale Planning Board. Kennel owner/operator shall apply annually and prior

to expiration, in the case of an existing permitted Commercial Kennel, for a Commercial Dog Kennel License to the Board of Selectmen.

3. In circumstances requiring a Commercial Dog Kennel license no dogs may be kept on the premises until a Commercial Kennel License is issued by the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen and the fee is paid.

4. The fee for a Commercial Dog Kennel License (Group License) shall be twenty (\$20.00) dollars per year payable to the Town Clerk.

5. Where the licensee is not the owner of the premises, the owner of the premises shall be subject to the rules and regulations of this Ordinance pertaining to permitted number of dogs and all other health, welfare and safety regulations pertaining to dogs or enacted for the general welfare of the public, and no license shall be issued to a non-owner licensee unless the owner of the premises acknowledges in writing he/she is subject to the provisions of this Ordinance.

1808.3 DOG KENNEL LICENSE ISSUANCE AND REVOCATION

1. All dog kennel licenses shall be issued for one (1) year beginning on January 1. Application for licenses may be made sixty (60) days prior to the start of the licensing year and thereafter during the licensing year.

2. Applications for dog kennel licenses shall be made to the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen.

3. The application must include proof that all dogs kept at the premises have been given all vaccinations required by law.

4. From time to time during the term of the license, the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen, its agents or the Animal Control Officer may inspect the premises and animals kept there at. Thereupon the owner shall cooperate in all manners with the said Hinsdale Board of Selectmen, its agents or the Animal Control Officer in allowing an inspection of the premises.

5. All owners of dog kennel license shall maintain complete set of records for all dogs, including but not limited to, date of birth; acquired from, date and price; sale date; sales price and purchaser; pedigree, vaccinations; parasite control; worming records, veterinary records, surgeries. Such records shall be open and available for inspection at all times. Dogs in temporary custody of kennel for two (2) weeks or less may be exempt from this provision.

6. A dog kennel license may be revoked by reason of any violation of this Ordinance or by reason of the violation of any application health or nuisance ordinances, or other applicable order, state law or regulation as may be determined by the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen.

7. Before revoking a dog kennel license, the licensee shall be given notice of the meeting at which such a revocation shall be considered and the basis for the proposed revocation. If the licensee is present at such meeting, he/she shall be first given an opportunity to be heard. Notice of such meeting shall be given to the licensee in writing, mailed to the address of the licensee as

set forth in the license application for the dog kennel at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting.

1808.4 STANDARD FOR CARE AND HOUSING OF ANIMALS

A. All dog kennels shall be kept in a clean and healthful condition and at all reasonable times shall be open to inspection by the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen, any Health Officer, Animal Control Officer or other person (s) charged with the enforcement of this Ordinance or any health or sanitary regulation order, rule or statute of the Town of Hinsdale, Cheshire County, New Hampshire.

B. All commercial dog kennels shall be insulated to serve as noise abatement. All dogs shall be confined to indoors at night from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. in individual pens. During daylight hours, dogs may be let out into individual fenced areas known as "runs".

1809.0 FORFEITURES FOR ANIMALS AT LARGE

Whoever owns a dog or stock/livestock that is found to be at large shall forfeit twenty-five (\$25) dollars to the Town of Hinsdale. For the second/subsequent offense the owner shall forfeit fifty (\$50) dollars to the Town of Hinsdale. If said forfeiture is not made to the Hinsdale Town Clerk or his or her designee within ninety-six (96) hours of notice of forfeiture, the case will be disposed of in Keene District Court. Any person who pays may not pay the civil forfeiture as specified in this Section, two (2) times within a year, according to the records of the Town Clerk, may not pay the civil forfeiture for subsequent violations of this Section in that year, but shall have those cases disposed of in Keene District Court.

1810.0 IMPOUNDING OF DOGS

Any dog found are large or unrestrained within the Town of Hinsdale may be restrained and impounded by the Animal Control Officer. A dog so impounded may be confined in a suitable animal shelter for not more than seven (7) days. Any impounded dog not claimed by the owner within seven (7) days may be humanely disposed of by the Town of Hinsdale, the Animal Control Officer or the Hinsdale Police Department or its designee. If the impounded dog is licensed by the Town of Hinsdale, the Animal Control Officer shall make a reasonable attempt to notify the owner of the impounded dog prior to being humanely disposed of. The Police Chief and Animal Control Officer or his or her designee, shall select a suitable animal shelter for the place of confinement for animals held under the suspicion of rabies after biting or dogs impounded under this Section.

1811.0 IMPOUNDMENT FEES

Any owner or individual claiming a dog impounded by the Hinsdale Police Department or Hinsdale Animal Control Officer shall forfeit a pickup fee of twenty (20) dollars for the dog, plus a five (\$5) dollars boarding fee if the dog is held for more than twelve (12) hours and an additional ten (\$10) dollars for each additional day the dog is impounded. These fees are

payable to the Town Clerk or his or her designee and the fees do not preclude any other fees, fines, or forfeitures associated with the impounding or boarding.

1812.0 NUISANCE, MENACE, OR VICIOUS DOGS

No dog shall be permitted, whether or not leashed or restrained, to be a nuisance, a menace, or vicious to persons, property or other animals.

Nuisance Dogs: A dog is determined to be a nuisance:

1. If it barks for sustained periods of more than ½ hour, or during the night hours so as to disturb the peace and quiet of a neighborhood or area.
2. If it digs, scratches, excretes, cause property damage, or causes waste or garbage to be scattered on property other than the owners.

Menace Dogs: A dog determined to be a menace:

1. If it growls, snaps at runs after or chases any person.
2. If it runs after, chases pedestrians, bicycles, motor vehicles, motorcycles, or other vehicles being driven, pulled, or pushed on the public ways of the Town of Hinsdale.

Vicious Dogs: If it, whether alone, or in a pack with other dogs, bites, attacks, or preys on game animals, domestic animals, fowl or human beings.

Whoever owns a dog that violates Section 1810.0, “Nuisance, Menace, or Vicious Dogs,” and his or her dog is determined to be either a nuisance, menace, or vicious, shall forfeit the following to the Town Clerk:

Nuisance Dog	1 st Offense	\$25
	2 nd /Subsequent Offense	\$50
Menace Dogs	1 st Offense	\$50
	2 nd /Subsequent Offense	\$100
Vicious Dogs	1 st Offense	\$100
	2 nd /Subsequent Offense	\$200

1813.0 FORFEITURES FOR NUISANCE, MENACE, OR VICIOUS DOGS

The forfeitures shall be made within ninety-six (96) hours from the time of notice to the Town Clerk. Any person making the forfeiture shall have deemed to have waived their rights to have

the case heard in Keene District Court and they shall be prosecuted or found guilty of a violation of NH RSA 466:31. Any person who does not pay the civil forfeiture shall have the case disposed of in Keene District Court. Any person who does not pay the civil forfeiture as specified in this Section, two (2) times within a year, according to the records of the Town Clerk, may not pay the civil forfeiture for subsequent violations of this Section in that year, but shall have these cases disposed of in Keene District Court. In the case of a vicious dog, where its behavior represents such a threat to public safety, immediate District Court proceedings may be initiated in lieu of the civil forfeiture.

1814.0 INTERFERENCE WITH THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

No person shall hinder or interfere with the Animal Control Officer or such person as may be appointed as agents in the performance of any duty within this Chapter. Any person in violation of this shall be prosecuted under NH RSA 642:1 Obstructing Governmental Administration.

1815.0 ORGANIZED ANIMAL FIGHTING PROHIBITED

No dog fighting, cock fighting, bull baiting, bear baiting or other setting of or other fighting of one animal against another shall be permitted in the Town of Hinsdale, per NH RSA 644 8-a, Title LXII Criminal Code.

1816.0 ABANDONMENT OR ABUSE OF ANIMALS

It shall be unlawful for anyone to knowingly abandon or abuse any animal. Each person who does abandon or abuse knowingly or willingly permits this abandonment or cause or aids in the abandonment or abuse of any animal shall be in violation of this Ordinance and shall be subject to the penalties as herein provided, per NH RSA 644:8, Title LXII Criminal Code.

1817.0 DUTIES OF ALL ANIMAL OWNERS

A. It shall be the duty of every owner of any animal or anyone having an animal in their possession or custody, to exercise reasonable care and to take all necessary steps and precautions to protect other people, property, and animals from injuries or damage which might result from their animal's behavior, regardless whether such behavior is motivated by mischievousness, playfulness, or ferocity. Animals at Large as specified in 1806.0.

B. It shall be the duty of every owner of any animal, or anyone having any animal in their possession or custody, to ensure that the animal is kept under restraint and that reasonable care and precautions are taken to prevent limits of its' owner, possessor or custodian. Animals at Large as specified in 1806.0.

C. It shall be the duty of the owner of any animal or anyone having an animal in their possession to keep the animal under restraint and control at all times while the animal is off the real property limits of the owner, possessor, or custodian. Animals at Large as specified in 1806.0.

D. Failure to keep any animal confined or under restraint as provided for in this Section shall be unlawful and shall be punishable as herein provided. Animals at Large as specified in 1806.0.

E. No person shall keep or harbor any nuisance dog, nor shall any person keep or harbor any animal or fowl which by frequent or habitual howling, yelping, barking, crowing, or making of other noises shall cause serious annoyance or disturbances to person (s) or to a neighborhood. Nuisance Animal as specified in 1812.0.

F. No exotic animals may be kept within the Town of Hinsdale except upon issuance of a permit by the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen, provided that wild animals and exotic animals may be kept for exhibition purposes by circuses, zoos, or educational institutions, in accordance with such regulations as shall be established by the Hinsdale Board of Selectmen. The Hinsdale Board of Selectmen may place conditions on such permit, as it deems necessary or advisable under the circumstances.

G. Removal of feces as specified in 1818.0, 1818.1, 1818.2, and 1819.0.

1818.0 REMOVAL OF DOG FECES

1818.1 REMOVAL FROM PUBLIC PROPERTY

Any owner or person having custody of any dog shall not be permit said dog to defecate on any public property including public streets, alleys, sidewalks, parks, or any other public grounds within the Town of Hinsdale unless said owner or person in control has in his or her possession a mechanical or other device for the removal of excrement; nor shall said owner or person in control fail to expeditiously, remove any such excrement deposited by said dog in any such place. This section does not apply to Hearing and/or Sight-Impaired guide dogs, Handicap Assisting dogs, or dogs owned, or employed by or on the behalf of Law Enforcement during official duties.

1818.2 EXCRETING AND DEFECATING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Any owner or person having custody of any dog shall not permit said dog to excrete or defecate on any private property other than the premises of the owner or person having custody of said dog.

1819.0 FORFEITURE FOR REMOVAL OF DOG FECES

Any person found in violation of Section 1812.0 and 1813.0 shall forfeit ten (\$10) dollars to the Town of Hinsdale. For second/subsequent offenses the owner of said dog shall forfeit twenty-

five (\$25) dollars to the Town Clerk of Hinsdale. If said forfeiture is not made to the Town Clerk or his or her designee within ninety-six (96) hours of the notices of forfeiture, the case will be disposed of in the Keene District Court. Any person who pays a civil forfeiture as specified in this Section, two (2) times within a year, according to the records of the Town Clerk, may not pay the civil forfeiture for subsequent violations of this Section in that year, but shall have these cases disposed of in the Keene District Court.

1820.0 WARNING SIGNS, GUARD DOGS AND DANGEROUS DOGS

All owners, keepers, or harborers of any guard or officially determined dangerous dog shall display in a prominent place on their premises and at each entrance or exit to the area where such a dog is confined, a sign easily readable by the public using the words: "BEWARE OF DOG".

1821.0 ADMENDMENTS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Section</i>
April 24, 1995	1801.01, 1804.0, 1805.0, 1807.0, 1810.0, 1813.0
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July 28, 2003	1806.0
July 16, 2012	1801.0, 1803.0, 1807.0, 1808.0, 1808.1, 1808.2, 1808.3, 1815.0, 1816.0, 1817.0, 1820.0, 1821.0

HINSDALE ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT
HINSDALE, NEW HAMPSHIRE, 03451
(603)336-5723

UNLICENSED DOG NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

Name: _____ Address: _____
DOB: _____ SS#: _____ Phone: _____
Expired License #: _____ Rabies Expiration Date: _____
Veterinarian: _____

Our records indicate that you own a Dog(s) which has not been licensed as required by RSA 466:1. Pursuant to RSA 466:13 you are hereby required to pay a civil forfeiture, to the Hinsdale Town Clerk within ninety-six (96) hours of the date of the time of notice given. Any person who fails to pay the forfeiture within the allotted time will be issued a summons to Keene District Court.

At the time that the forfeiture is paid you will also be required to obtain a license for the dog(s). Pursuant to RSA 466:1 – a, and 466:4 a current vaccination and either a spaying or neutering certificate, if appropriate, will be required. Documentation regarding the above can be obtained through your veterinarian.

The Town Clerk's office hours are: **Mondays:** 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. & 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Tues – Wed – Thurs: 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. & 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Closed All State Holidays & Federal Holidays

FEE SCHEDULE

\$10.00 Male or Female
\$7.5 Neutered Male or Spayed Female
\$2.00 Owner of 65
\$1.00 per month late charge, after May^{1st}
\$25 Civil Forfeiture, after June 1st

To be paid on or before

() Served in hand () Left as last know Residence

Officer: _____ ID # _____

**HINSDALE ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT
HINSDALE, NEW HAMPSHIRE, 03451**

(603)336-5723

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

Name: _____ Address: _____
 DOB: _____ SS#: _____ Phone: _____
 Dog(s) License #: _____ Breed: _____
 Color: _____ Name: _____
 Location of Violation: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

You have been found in violation of the Hinsdale Town Ordinance relating to dogs. You are required to pay a civil forfeiture to the Town of Hinsdale within ninety-six (96) hours from the date and time notice was given. Any person who fails to pay the forfeiture within the allotted time will be issued a summons to appear in Keene District Court.

Any person, who pays a civil forfeiture two (2) times in a calendar year according to Town Records, must have subsequent violations disposed of in Keene District Court.

VIOLATIONS OF HINSDALE TOWN ORDINANCE CHAPTER 1800

		1 st Offence	2 nd Offence
_____	Unlicensed dog (Dog(s) must be licensed at time of forfeiture is paid)	\$25.00	\$50.00
_____	Restraint of dog(s) – General	\$25.00	\$50.00
_____	Restraint of dog(s) – School Grounds	\$25.00	\$50.00
_____	Restraint of dog(s) – Cemetery Grounds	\$25.00	\$50.00
_____	Restraint of dog(s) – Commercial Grounds	\$25.00	\$50.00
_____	Removal of dog(s) feces	\$10.00	\$25.00
_____	Excreting/Defecating on Private Property	\$10.00	\$25.00
_____	Nuisance	\$25.00	\$50.00
_____	Menace	\$50.00	\$100.00
_____	Vicious	\$100.00	\$200.00

To be paid within ninety-six (96) hours of notice:

Pickup Fee of \$25.00 \$ _____
 Boarding Fee of \$10.00 per day \$ _____
 Total Boarding/Pick up Fee \$ _____
 TOTAL DUE TO TOWN CLERK \$ _____
 TOTAL PAID TO TOWN CLERK \$ _____
BALANCE DUE \$ _____

Date notice issued: _____ Date payment due: \$ _____

Officer: _____ ID #: _____

Form Distribution 1) Town Clerk 2) Violator/Owner 3) Animal Control Officer

HINSDALE ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT
HINSDALE, NEW HAMPSHIRE, 03451

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ANIMAL CONTROL
HOME CONFINEMENT AGREEMENT

Owners who are required to confine their animals for a period of ten (10) days may be authorized to confine their animals at home if the following conditions are met and agreed to:

1. The animal has a current rabies vaccination.
2. The owner agrees to confine the animal in an animal proof building or pen that can be locked.
3. The owner shall keep animal on a leash while temporarily out of the above certified enclosure.
4. If the animal shows any symptoms of sickness, abnormal behavior, or if the animal escapes, the Animal Control Officer will be notified immediately.
5. In the event the animal dies for any reason during the observation period, the carcass whereof shall immediately be turned over to the Animal Control Officer for compulsory rabies examination.
6. The animal must be examined by a licensed veterinarian.

Owner's Signature: _____ Address: _____

Signature witnessed by me this _____ day of _____ 20____ Time: _____

Animal Control Officer's Signature: _____

Veterinary Examination Fee Paid. Date: _____ Time: _____