

§53-9 General Regulations

- A. Any dog which is six months or older shall be licensed by the Township and have a valid Township license tag attached to its collar.
- B. Only the owner or his authorized agent may remove any valid license tag from a dog in the Township.
- C. A person who owns or harbors a dog in the Township shall be required to produce proof of a valid dog license upon request of any person who is authorized to enforce this article.
- D. Any dog six months or older must be immunized against rabies.
- E. No person shall own, keep or harbor a fierce or vicious dog.
- F. Every animal shall be confined upon the premises of its owner except when the animal is leashed and otherwise under the reasonable control of the owner except as allowed by this chapter.
 - 1. No dog or animal shall be permitted at any time to be on a public highway or street, or in a public park, public building, sidewalk, any other public place, common area of any residential development or in any place to which the public is generally invited, or in any retail, commercial or industrial developments, except when restrained by and under the reasonable control of the owner thereof, or when confined in a shipping receptacle or vehicle, or when on the premises of a duly-authorized dog training facility or dog park.
 - 2. It shall be unlawful for any owner of a dog or animal to allow or permit the animal to enter onto the private property of another without the express permission of the landowner or occupant of the private property.
 - 3. Owner shall be defined as the person who owns the dog or animal or any person having the care, custody or control of the dog or animal at the time of offense.
 - 4. The penalty for the first violation of section 53-9(F) shall be a municipal civil infraction with a fine of \$150.00 plus costs as assessed by the court. Any subsequent violation shall be a misdemeanor punishable by up to 90 days in jail and/or up to a \$500.00 fine plus costs as assessed by the court.