

TOWN OF STANLEY
CODE OF ORDINANCES
Chapter 4: DOG CONTROL

The Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Stanley, Barron County, does ordain as follows:

4.1 TITLE/PURPOSE

This ordinance is entitled "Dog Control Ordinance". The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the people living or visiting in or around the Town of Stanley from harm and annoyance of dogs within the Township. It is also meant to protect the property of persons residing in the Town of Stanley from stray dogs.

4.2 AUTHORITY

The Town Board of the Town of Stanley has the specific authority, powers, and duties, pursuant to Chapter 174, (1988-1989) WI Statutes and this ordinance to regulate the licensing and keeping of dogs in the Town of Stanley.

4.3 ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The Town Board of the Town of Stanley has, by adoption of this ordinance, confirmed the specific statutory authority, powers and duties noted in the specific sections of this ordinance and has established, by these sections and this ordinance, the regulation, control and enforcement of dogs that may affect public safety and public order within the Town of Stanley.

4.4 GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. License Required

Every person residing in the Town of Stanley who owns a dog that on January 1 is at least five months old, shall annually, at the time and in the manner prescribed by law for the payment of personal property taxes, seek and obtain a dog license for his or her dog from the Town of Stanley. The fee for the license shall be established annually, by the Barron County Board of Supervisors.

B. Application/License

The application for the dog license shall include a certificate of inoculation from a qualified veterinarian showing that the dog has been inoculated for rabies and distemper within two years of the application. The application shall contain the following:

- 1) the name of the person who owns or leases the property where the dog normally resides
- 2) the address where the dog normally resides
- 3) the name of the dog owner
- 4) the address of the dog owner
- 5) the business and residential telephone number of the dog owner
- 6) the name, of the dog
- 7) the sex of the dog
- 8) the conditions of the dog as to whether the dog is or is not spayed.

C. Cost of license

- 1) male dog \$ 8.00
- 2) female dog 8.00
- 3) neutered male dog 3.00
- 4) spayed female dog 3.00

License fees are subject to change at the discretion of the Barron County Board and/or the Town of Stanley

D. Kennel Licenses

In lieu of individual dog licenses, a kennel license may be obtained from the Town Treasurer. The fee for a kennel license is \$35.00* for up to 12 dogs, and \$3.00* for each additional dog. Licensed kennels are subject to periodic inspections by a humane officer.

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E. No License Without Fee and Application

No dog license shall be issued or re-issued until the appropriate fee has been paid and until a properly and fully completed application form has been submitted to the Treasurer of the Town of Stanley. The application form shall be developed and provided by the Town of Stanley.

F. Dogs at Large/Prohibited Dogs

No person residing or visiting in the Town of Stanley shall allow his or her dog, nor a dog of any person living or staying with them, nor allow a dog left in their care:

- 1) To run at large in the Town of Stanley beyond the property owned or leased by that person unless accompanied by and under the absolute control of a responsible person;
- 2) To habitually pursue vehicles on highways, roads, streets and alleys;
- 3) To assault, physically attack, or bite persons;
- 4) To habitually bark or habitually howl to the disturbance and annoyance of others;
- 5) To cause serious injury to animals or livestock;
- 6) To be unlicensed or is not wearing a valid town license tag on its collar.

G. Surrender of Dogs

Dogs will be surrendered by the owner or by any other person in the Town of Stanley upon demand by the Town Chairman, Constable, Law Enforcement Officer or other Official elected or appointed by the Town of Stanley for violation of the provisions of this ordinance.

H. Impoundment

- 1) Dogs that have been apprehended and confined for violations, shall be kept by the Town of Stanley for at least seven (7) days at the Humane Society of Barron County. After this seven day period, if the dog has not been claimed by the owner, the dog will be either sold for the cost of its inoculation, apprehension, confinement and care, or it will be destroyed in a humane manner.
- 2) The owner or their representative may claim the dog prior to the dog's further disposition but not until:
 - a) showing proof, by way of receipt, that all fines and costs incurred have been paid in full and
 - b) paying the Impound Facility for any and all of their fees and costs that have been incurred.

4.5 ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Any constable or law enforcement officer elected or appointed by the Town of Stanley, the Town Chair or any person designated in writing by the Town Chair or the Town Board shall enforce this ordinance.

4.6 PENALTIES

A. For the violation of any part of this ordinance, a citation shall be served upon the owner of the violating dog or upon the adult who is responsible for the supervision of the violating dog at the time of the violation and shall be fined with a forfeiture, as specified below.

- 1) 100.00 dollars for the first offense within one calendar year (January 1 – December 31)
- 2) 150.00 dollars for second offense within one calendar year
- 3) 200.00 dollars for third offense within one calendar year
- 4) All fines listed above will be increased by \$50.00 for multiple dogs in violation of sec. 4.4. F.4

The offending dog may also be impounded at the Humane Society of Barron County animal shelter and all impoundment costs will be charged to the owner, pursuant to WI Statute 174.042.

B. Dogs that cause injury or death to a person or to domestic animals, may be killed by a humane officer acting under a court order.

C. In lieu of, or in addition to, enforcement by citation, this ordinance may be enforced in any other manner permitted by Statute.

4.7 SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this ordinance is invalid or unconstitutional, or if the application of this ordinance to any person or circumstances is invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provision or application.

4.8 EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and posting or publication or posting as provided by law. The foregoing ordinance was adopted at a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stanley on the day of May, 2004.

Town of Stanley
Barron County, Wisconsin

ORDINANCE #2011-01
Amendment to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 4: Dog Control

Section 4.4 C, Cost of License, shall be amended to read as follows:

The Town of Stanley shall collect, in addition to the fee charged by Barron County, \$2.00 for each individual dog license. The fees currently charged by the county are \$10.00 for each whole dog and \$5.00 for each spayed/neutered dog.

License fees are subject to change at the discretion of the Barron County Board and/or the Town of Stanley.

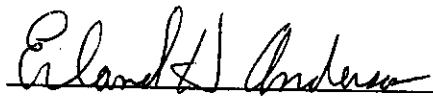
Section 4.4 D, Kennel Licenses, shall be amended to read as follows:


In lieu of individual dog licenses, a kennel license may be obtained from the Town Treasurer. The Town of Stanley shall collect, in addition to the fee charged by Barron County, \$5.00 for the kennel license, for up to 12 dogs, and \$2.00 for additional dog licenses. The fees collected by Barron County are currently \$35.00 for a kennel license and \$5.00 for each additional dog license. Licensed kennels are subject to periodic inspections by a humane officer.

License fees are subject to change at the discretion of the Barron County Board and/or the Town of Stanley.

Effective Date: Collection of 2012 Dog License Fees

Adopted this 9th day of February, 2011.

 Erland Anderson, Town Chair

 John Nielsen, Supervisor

_____ Arlen Mortensen, Supervisor

 Attest: Jim Hessel, Town Clerk