



RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERS ALLIANCE

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Please contact the elected officials listed below and ask them to “Repeal the provisions in the 2007 Animal Ordinance Revision and Vote No to the new proposals.” Animal Care Services wants Bexar County to adopt the same ordinance provisions countywide. San Antonio is the most anti-pet city in Texas!

All permits are required annually and give Animal Care Services the right to enter and inspect your home and premises at any time without a search warrant. Pets are being dumped in droves due to the 2007 ordinance and the economy. Packs of dogs and stray cats roam the streets getting hit by cars, fighting, biting, terrorizing neighborhoods and spreading disease -- a major public health and safety issue. Rabies is always a threat with our proximity to Mexico. The 2007 ordinance is a documented failure with unintended consequences.

NEW PROPOSALS -- FOR 2010!

- ALL animals must be spayed/neutered except “police dogs, military dogs and competition show dogs.”
- Illegal to sell or give away intact cats and dogs including pet shops. Puppies in violation will be confiscated.
- All tethered dogs must be sterilized. No tethering above 95 F and below 35 F.
- Competition Dog Permit replaces existing “Intact Dog Permit” (a failure). Competition Dog not defined.
- Competition Dogs must have Breeder’s Permit. Be charged for each puppy.
- Breeder Permit replaces existing Litter Permit (a failure).
- Rescuer Permit so city can ensure that rescuers don’t become “hoarders.” Regulations not defined.
- Dangerous Dog Ordinance Changes. (Changes are needed here!)
- No roosters, only non-fertile eggs allowed

EXISTING ORDINANCE: PASSED 2007

- All dogs over 6 months must be spayed or neutered.
- If not sterilized, \$50 Intact Dog Permit plus \$5 Pet License required.
- Unlicensed dogs and cats are subject to seizure and impoundment and shall be humanely euthanized if not timely redeemed.
- \$5 Dog & Cat License required at 4 months.
- Outdoor cats must be sterilized and are no longer subject to Confinement and Restraint Laws.
- \$50 Litter Permit + \$50 Intact Dog Permits + \$5 Pet Licenses required for dogs. Cats need Litter Permit + \$5.
- Litter Permit required for all puppies and kittens for sale, trade, or giveaway and must be displayed in advertisements.
- \$25 Excess Animal Permit if over limit of 5 dogs or 8 cats or 8 aggregate. Can’t be kept exclusively outside, must be sterilized and more.
- \$25 Excess Animal Permit required for more than 3 domestic fowl which includes anything with feathers.
- \$25 Excess Animal Permit required for more than 3 Fowl and 2 Livestock (5 animals aggregate).
- \$150 Horse/Cattle Livestock Permit. \$50 each additional.
- \$75 Hog, Sheep, Goat, etc. Livestock Permit. \$25 each additional.
- \$10 Cat Colony Permit for more than 8 outside cats.

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