

KENT COUNTY

A. VETERINARY HOSPITALS OR CLINICS, RESEARCH FACILITIES WHERE BONAFIDE MEDICAL OR RELATED RESEARCH (DENTAL, VETERINARY, PHARMACEUTICAL OR BIOLOGICAL) IS BEING CONDUCTED, HUMANE SHELTERS AND OTHER ANIMAL ESTABLISHMENTS OPERATED BY STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OR WHICH ARE LICENSED BY FEDERAL LAW ARE EXCLUDED FROM KENNEL LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ORDINANCE.

B. THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ORDINANCE SHALL NOT APPLY TO ANY DOG BELONGING TO A NON-RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY AND KEPT WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE COUNTY FOR NOT LONGER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS, AND WHILE KEPT WITHIN THE COUNTY MEET ALL OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ORDINANCE.

C. OWNERS OF DOGS USED AS SEEING EYE DOGS OR AS GOVERNMENTAL POLICE DOGS ARE EXEMPT FROM THOSE FEE REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY SECTION C OF THIS ORDINANCE.

SECTION H - INVESTIGATION

THE DOG CONTROL WARDEN SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO ENTER UPON ANY PREMISES AT ALL REASONABLE TIMES FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCHARGING THE DUTIES IMPOSED UPON HIM BY THIS ORDINANCE WHERE THERE IS REASONABLE BELIEF THAT A VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE HAS BEEN COMMITTED.

SECTION I - RECORDS

IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE DOG CONTROL WARDEN TO KEEP: (A) ACCURATE AND DETAILED RECORDS ON THE LICENSING, IMPOUNDMENT, AND DISPOSITION OF ALL DOGS COMING INTO HIS CUSTODY; (B) ACCURATE AND DETAILED RECORDS ON ALL REPORTED BITE CASES AND INVESTIGATIONS FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS; (C) ACCURATE AND DETAILED RECORDS ON ALL MONIES COLLECTED AND EXPENDED IN THE OPERATION OF THE FUNCTIONS OF HIS OFFICE. ALL RECORDS REQUIRED BY THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE SUBJECT TO INSPECTION BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR KENT COUNTY OR THEIR DESIGNATED AGENTS.

SECTION J - PENALTY

ANY PERSON VIOLATING ANY PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE DEEMED GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND UPON CONVICTION THEREOF BEFORE THE DISTRICT COURT OF KENT COUNTY OR IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF KENT COUNTY SHALL BE FINED A SUM OF NOT LESS THAN \$25.00 NOR MORE THAN \$100.00.