

Subchapter 310. Control and Licensing of Dogs

- 310.1. **PURPOSE** This ordinance is adopted for the control and licensing of all dogs within the Town of Presque Isle.
- 310.2. **LICENSES**
- (1). Every person who owns, harbors, or keeps a dog more than five (5) months of age on January 1 of any year, or five (5) months of age within the license year, will annually pay the dog license tax and obtain a license therefore, as provided by the provisions of CH 174, Wis. Stats.
 - (2). The license year commences on January 1 and ends on the following December 31.
 - (3). This ordinance adopts s. 174.055, Wis. Stats. exempting dogs for blind, deaf and mobility-impaired.
- 310.3. **FEES**
- (1). The cost is \$5.00 for neutered males and spayed females, and \$10.00 for females and unneutered males. Municipalities are required to charge an additional \$5.00 Late Fee on or after April 1 or after the 30-day period has elapsed in the case of new dogs and young dogs, pursuant to s.174.05(5), Wis. Stats. Owners of dogs will make application for licenses to the Town Treasurer.
 - (2). Bona fide evidence of rabies inoculation for each dog must be provided before any license is issued.
- 310.4. **DOGS AT LARGE, UNLICENSED**
- (1). Dogs running at large or untagged are subject to impoundment as specified in s. 174.046, Wis. Stats..
 - (2). A dog is considered to be running at large if it is off the premises of its owner and not under the control of the owner or some other person.
 - (3). A dog is considered to be untagged if a valid license tag is not attached to a collar which is kept on the dog whenever the dog is outdoors unless the dog is securely confined in a fenced area.
- 310.5. **PENALTIES.** Forfeitures for violations are specified in Subchapter 117.4(1) of the Municipal Code.
- 310.6. **ENFORCEMENT** For the purpose of this ordinance, designated officers may be any duly elected Town Constable, or duly appointed Police Officer, or Dog Catcher of the Town of Presque Isle. Such officers will be charged with the enforcement of this ordinance and will be responsible for any notification required when a dog is to be destroyed or disposed of, or when a dog is impounded for any reason as set forth in this ordinance.
- 310.7. **PREVIOUS ORDINANCE** Upon adoption of this ordinance, Ordinance #1 for 1964, as adopted by the Town Board of Presque Isle is rescinded.
- 310.8. **VALIDITY** Should any section, clause, or provision of this ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the same will not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.
- 310.9. **EFFECTIVE DATE** This ordinance will be in effect from and after its passage and posting as required by law.