

# Village of House

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Ordinance # 29

## ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE

### TITLE & INTENT:

- A. The title of this ordinance shall be known as "The Village of House Animal Control Ordinance".
- B. It is the intent of the Governing Body that enactment of this ordinance will protect animals from neglect and abuse, protect residents from annoyance and injury, promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents and assist in providing control of animals.

### DEFINITIONS:

- A. "Domestic Livestock" means any of the large or small livestock, including, but not limited to horses, cattle, mules, donkeys, burros, swine, goats, sheep, and any of the domestic fowl, including but not limited to chickens, guinea hens, ducks, turkeys and geese.

### SECTION I: LIVESTOCK - LOCATION/RESTRICTIONS

No person shall keep livestock within two hundred feet of any residence or business establishment, except the residence or business establishment of the person owning or controlling the livestock.

### SECTION II: LIVESTOCK - AT LARGE PROHIBITED

No livestock shall be turned loose, abandoned or allowed to run at large within the Village. No such animal shall be so tethered or tied that it may go upon any street or public place, or upon the lot or property of any other than the lot or property of the person owning or occupying such lot or property, without the consent of the owner thereof. It is unlawful for any person to herd or detain in any street, avenue, alley or public place within the Village any of the animals mentioned in this section or to allow any of the animals to go upon the lot or property of any other person, without the consent of the owner thereof.

### SECTION III: NUMBER PERMITTED

No person shall keep more than one head of livestock and no person shall keep poultry in excess of twenty-five, nor shall any animals or poultry be processed for the purpose of sale.

SECTION IV: SPARSELY SETTLED AREAS - NUMBER & LOCATION RESTRICTIONS

In very sparsely settled areas within the Village where one person may own or control two acres or more of land, such person may keep one head of livestock or may keep twenty-five poultry for each acre of land within the Village under his ownership or control, but in such cases no livestock or poultry shall be kept within two hundred feet of any residence or business establishment, except the residence or business establishment of the person owning or controlling the livestock or poultry.

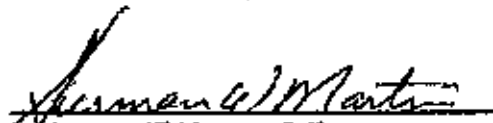
SECTION V: RESTRAINT OF ANIMALS

- A. All persons owning or having charge, custody, care or control of any animal shall keep such animal restrained to his own premises.
- B. When dogs are out of their premises, they must be under leash of not more than eight feet in length and under control of the owner or of his designee. Animals will not be allowed to create a nuisance on someone else's property; such as lawns, driveways, walkways, places of recreation.

SECTION VII: 4-H/EDUCATION ANIMALS

Education animals for club projects shall exceed the amount permitted in Section IV with Council approval but will be subject to comply with Sections I, II, III, and IV of Ordinance #29.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND SIGNED This 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1994, by the House Village Council.

  
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Mayor, Village of House

ATTEST:

  
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Village Clerk