



Town of Norwood By-Laws

Article XII – Section 33

- (a) No owner or keeper shall cause or permit any dog to run at large within the town. While on any public way or place, dogs shall be under restraint by the owner or keeper. A dog is under restraint within the meaning of this by-law if he is controlled by a leash or at “heel” beside a competent person and obedient to the person’s commands, or on or within a vehicle being driven or parked on the street. Dogs running at large will be caught and confined and the owners notified.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to fail to have in his or her immediate possession and appropriate device for removing dog excrement whenever such person permits or causes a dog under his or her control to be on property not owned or possessed by such person.
- (c) It shall be unlawful for any person to fail to remove the excrement left by any dog under his or her control that was deposited on any public or private property not owned or possessed by such person. Excrement that is removed shall be placed in a standard refuse container located upon the property owned or possessed by the person in control of such dog.
- (d) It shall be unlawful for any person to allow dog excrement to accumulate in any yard, pen, building, structure or premises so as to cause an annoyance or discomfort to the public. The accumulation of dog excrement is hereby declared to be a public nuisance.
- (e) This section and its sub-sections may be enforced by complaint to the District Court or by the Non-Criminal Disposition provisions referred to in Article XXIV of these By-Laws. Owners or keepers in violation of any provision of this section will be liable to a penalty of \$20.00 for the first violation and \$25.00 for each subsequent violation.

(Amended Special Town Meeting, October 30, 1995, Article 20.)