

CHAPTER 57

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57.01 ANNUAL LICENSE REQUIRED.

1. Every owner of a dog or cat over six (6) months old shall procure a license from the City of Manning City Hall on or before the first day of October of each year, or within thirty (30) days of the animal being brought into the City, or when the animal has reached six (6) months of age.
2. The owner of a dog or cat for which a license is required shall apply on forms provided by City Hall. The form of the application shall state the breed, sex, age, color, markings, and name, if any, of the dog or cat, and the address of the owner and shall be signed by the owner. The application shall also state the date of the most recent rabies vaccination, the type of vaccine administered and the date the dog or cat shall be revaccinated.
3. All licenses shall expire on September 30 of the year following the date of issuance.

57.02 FEES. The license fee for dogs and cats is twelve dollars (\$12.00) per year per animal and shall be pro-rated for animals new to the community.

57.03 DELINQUENCY. All license fees shall become delinquent on the first day of October of the year in which they are due and a delinquent penalty of five dollars (\$5.00) per month shall be added to each unpaid license on and after said date.

57.04 CERTIFICATION OF VACCINATION. At the time of making application for a City license, the owner shall furnish to the City a veterinarian's certificate showing that the pet animal for which the license is sought has been vaccinated against rabies and distemper and that such vaccination will not expire within six (6) months from the date the license is issued.

57.05 LICENSE TAG.

1. Upon the original issuance of the license, the City shall deliver or mail to the owner a license tag stamped with the following:
 - A. Name of issuing City.
 - B. Serial number of the license which shall be recorded by the City.
2. Every pet animal shall wear the tag provided whenever such animal is off the property of its owner. Any method may be used to attach the tag to the animal, such as a collar or other suitable device. Any dog or cat without a license tag attached to its collar or harness shall be deemed unlicensed.

3. It is unlawful for any person who is not the owner or the agent of such owner or an employee of the City of its agent acting in an official capacity to remove a license tag from an animal prior to the expiration of the license.
4. Upon the filing of an affidavit that the license has been lost or destroyed, the owner may obtain another tag upon payment of a duplicate fee of five dollars (\$5.00).

57.06 LICENSE RECORDS. City Hall shall keep a book to be known as the record of licenses which shall show:

1. The date of each application for a license.
2. The description of the dog or cat as specified in the application, together with the name of the owner of the animal.
3. The date when each license tag is issued and the serial number of each tag, the date of the most recent rabies vaccination, the type of vaccine administered, and the date the animal is to be revaccinated.
4. The amount of all fees paid.
5. Such other data as may be required by law.

57.07 CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP; TRANSFER OF LICENSE. When the permanent ownership of an animal is transferred, the new owner shall, within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of change of ownership, make application for a new license as provided in this section regardless of whether or not the animal was previously licensed.

57.08 NUMBER OF ANIMALS LIMITED. The total combined number of cats and dogs over the age of six (6) months which may be kept in any one household shall be limited to three (3). All animals kept must be licensed. This section shall not apply to a person who operates a commercial kennel in an area properly zoned therefor. Households with three (3) or more registered dogs or cats as of October 1, 2009, are permitted to keep all of the animals, but may not acquire new animals when loss of an animal occurs unless the total number of animals in the household is under three (3).

57.09 EXCEPTIONS. The licensing provisions of this chapter shall not be applied to animals whose owners are nonresidents temporarily within the City, kennel dogs which are kept or raised in facilities licensed pursuant to the Code of Iowa, as amended, solely for the bona fide purpose of sale and which are kept under constant restraint, animals brought into the City for the purpose of participating in any animal show or animals properly trained to assist persons with disabilities, providing such animals are kept restrained on the owner's premises and under supervision or control at all times or under leash at all times.

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