



# City of Hudson ORDINANCE NO. 04-09-2015-2

AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CODE CHAPTER 93: ANIMALS OF HUDSON, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR A DEFINITION OF ADEQUATE SHELTER AND EXTREME WEATHER, REGISTRATION OF ANIMALS, AND VACCINATION OF DOGS AND CATS AND ALSO PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNSEL OF THE CITY OF HUDSON, TEXAS, AS FOLLOWS:

## ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 93

### SECTION 1.93.001 DEFINITIONS.

**ADEQUATE SHELTER** Adequate shelter means a structure designed to shelter animals, according to the size and type of such animal, that protects the interior from the elements, permits the animal to stand or lie on a dry surface, and allows egress from the shelter onto dry ground that is free of mud. It must have three sides, roof and a floor or resting platform, pad, floor mat, or similar device that is stationary, large enough for the animal to lie in a normal manner and can be maintained in a sanitary manner. ( Ordinance 04-09-2015-2)

**EXTREME WEATHER.** Weather conditions that could adversely affect the animal's health and cause injury such as but not limited to rain, sleet, snow, hail, and the adverse effects of freezing cold and extreme heat. Additional protection must be added to the adequate shelter such additional material, included but not limited to hay, straw, chips and or blankets in shelter for freezing and additional shade in extreme heat. ( Ordinance 04-09-2015-2)

### SECTION 93.002 REGISTRATION OF DOGS AND CATS

(B) Cost of city tag is as follows: \$15 if the owner has proof that the animal has had its rabies shot and has been spayed or neutered. One time cost of \$25 per animal if it has not been spayed or neutered.(Ord. 04-09-2015-2)

(E) Owners of tagged animals will be charged the following fees:

- (1) First offense in a calendar year, January 1 through December 31, the animal will be returned free, providing there is proof of current rabies shot, and the animal has been spayed or neutered. If no rabies shot citation will be issued but changed to warning if proof of rabies shot is given within ten days of citation.
- (2) Second offense for the same animal in a calendar year, the fee for return will be \$25 pick-up fee if the animal is picked up at city or returned to owner by city, providing the owner provides proof of a current rabies shot and the animal has been spayed or neutered. Rabies citation will be issued if owner has no proof of current shot.
- (3) Third offense for the same animal in a calendar year will result in issuance of a citation from the City for animal at large. (Ord. 04-07-2015-2)

(F) Owners of untagged animals will be charged the following fees:


- (1) First offense: \$25 pick-up fee, \$25 release fee, plus any fees charge by Kurth Memorial Animal Shelter. Tag fee of \$25.00. Citation issued if rabies shot is not current. Subject to citation for animal at large.
- (2) Second offense for any untagged animal belonging to the same owner in a calendar year will result in issuance of a citation for no registration, dog at large and if rabies shot is not current then citation for no current rabies shot. Same pic up and release fees as above. (Ord. 04-09-2015-2)

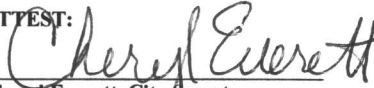
### SECTION 93.015 VACCINATION OF DOGS AND CATS REQUIRED

Every owner of a dog or cat four months of age or older shall have such animal vaccinated against rabies. The animal shall be vaccinated against rabies at either one (1) year or three (3) year intervals depending on the type of vaccine used as prescribed by the Texas Board of Health, with a vaccine approved by the United States Department of Agriculture and administered by a licensed veterinarian, who shall issue to the owner of the animal a vaccination certificate. Any person moving into the city from a location outside the city shall comply with this section within ten days after having moved into this city. (Ord. 04-09-2015-2)

Should any word, phrase, sentence, or section contained herein be found to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other portion of this ordinance.

PASSED ON this 09 day of April, 2015.

  
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