

ANIMAL CONTROL MUNICIPAL CODES

- **6.04.020 No City Dog/Cat License**
Dogs/Cats over 6 months old must have
- **6.04.040 No License/rabies affixed**
Tag must be on dog/cat collar
- **6.04.050 No Kennel License**
3 or more dogs/3 or more cats must have license
- **6.04.060 No Exotic Animal License**
i.e. wolf, bear, must have license
- **6.04.070 No Keeping of Chickens License**
Must have license. 7 or more, must have inspection. Maximum 15.
- **6.04.080 Fail to Restrain/Animal in prohibited Location**
Loose pet, or dog in prohibited park or prohibited location
- **6.04.090 No proof of rabies**
All dogs/cats over 6 months old must be vaccinated against rabies
- **6.04.120 Nuisance animal**
Uncontrolled barking, whining, chasing cars, repeated loose dogs, etc.
- **6.04.160 Fail to dispose feces**

CIVIL PENALTY:

\$100, reduced to \$50 if paid within ten (10) business days from citation date

CRIMINAL PENALTY:

1st offense- \$100-\$200, reduced to \$50 if paid within ten (10) business days from citation date
2nd offense- \$200-\$300, reduced to \$100 if paid within ten (10) business days from citation date
3rd offense- \$300-\$500, reduced to \$200 if paid within ten (10) business days from citation date

Leash-Free Dog Parks

- Canine Beach at Bozeman Ponds (Fowler Lane)
- Burke Park/Peet's Hill (S. Church)
- Snow Fill Area below the City Landfill (McIlhattan Road)
- Leash-free gated area at Softball Complex (Highland Boulevard)
- Regional Park (Davis and Oak)
- Cooper Park (8th and Story)
- Centennial Park {5am to 9am} (N. Tracy and Tamarack)

ALL LEASH-FREE PARKS ARE CLOSED FROM 11 PM TO 5AM. LEASH-FREE ALLOWANCE DOES NOT RELIEVE AN OWNER FROM RESPONSIBILITY OF PREVENTING DOG FROM BEING A NUISANCE



NO DOG AREAS

Playground areas, ice-rinks, beaches, sports-recreation fields

- Bronken Fields (N. Cottonwood)
- Softball Complex (Haggerty Lane)
- E. Gallatin Recreation Area (beach and picnic areas)



Owning Pets in Bozeman



Animal Control Guidelines (Effective September 24, 2009)



Bozeman Police Dept.
Animal Control
615 S. 16th
Bozeman, MT 59715

Phone: 406-582-2000
Email: Policecomments@bozeman.net

Licenses and civil fine payments at:

City Hall
121 N. Rouse
P.O. Box 1230
Bozeman, MT 59771-1230

Phone: 406-582-2327
Fax: 406-582-2344
E-mail: finance@bozeman.net



CRIMINAL and CIVIL VIOLATIONS

An officer can give a verbal warning, issue a civil citation or issue a criminal citation for violations of Animal regulations in Bozeman.

A civil citation involves no criminal record, with no possibility of arrest. A civil citation is a little more formal method of addressing unsafe violations, such as not licensing your dog/cat, failing to get a rabies vaccination or walking your dog without a leash. A civil citation involves a lower fine than criminal that can be reduced to \$50 if handled within ten (10) business days.

Officers will be more likely to issue a criminal violation when individual and unique factors associated with each incident include impacts on risk to public safety, severity of the violation(s) and history or knowledge of previous violations.

What is a Nuisance Animal? (6.04.120)

- Repeatedly running at large
- Off-leash in areas where leashes are needed
- Damages soil or property
- Uncontrolled or repeated howling, barking or whining
- In heat and not confined properly
- Molests, attacks or interferes with free movement of persons (without a bite involved)
- Chases motor-vehicles
- Attacks other animals
- Is found to be offensive or dangerous to public health and safety

How do I license my pet?

A license is required for a dog or cat over the age of six months which lives in the city limits for more than 15 days.

Prior to application for a license, each dog or cat over six months must also be vaccinated against rabies. All area veterinarians offer these vaccinations at a reasonable rate and will supply you with a tag to put on your pet's collar.

After you have a rabies tag, you may purchase your license by coming to City Hall, 121 N. Rouse Ave, between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm, Monday-Friday.

OR, you may fill out the form attached and mail it to City Hall along with:

- A check covering license fees
- Proof of Rabies Vaccination
- Proof of Spay/Neuter (for reduced fee)

We will return your proof with the approved license.

If you own three or more cats or three or more dogs, you must apply separately at City Hall for a Kennel License. \$50 annual permit fee.

ANNUAL LICENSE FEES

	<u>Neutered/spayed</u>	<u>Unaltered</u>
Dog	\$10	\$25
Cat	\$ 5	\$10

- *Fees are half price after July 1st of each year if the pet is new to Bozeman*
- *\$5 late fee for pets licensed after February 15th of each year.*

ARE CHICKENS LEGAL TO OWN?

Urban Chickens are allowed in the city. Information available at www.bozeman.net. \$25 one-time permit fee for 1-6 hens (no roosters) and \$50 one-time permit fee with inspection for 7-15 hens. Apply separately at City Hall for permit.

Owners Name: _____ City: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: (H/W) _____ Cell: _____ Color: _____ Sex: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____ Breed: _____ Rabies Tag # _____ Expires: _____ Vet: _____ Sex: _____
 Dog#1 Name: _____ Breed: _____ Rabies Tag # _____ Expires: _____ Vet: _____ Sex: _____
 Spay/Neuter: _____ Rabies Tag # _____ Expires: _____ Vet: _____ Sex: _____
 Dog#1 Name: _____ Breed: _____ Rabies Tag # _____ Expires: _____ Vet: _____ Sex: _____
 Spay/Neuter: _____ Rabies Tag # _____ Expires: _____ Vet: _____ Sex: _____
 Cat#1 Name: _____ Breed: _____ Rabies Tag # _____ Expires: _____ Vet: _____ Sex: _____
 Spay/Neuter: _____ Rabies Tag # _____ Expires: _____ Vet: _____ Sex: _____
 Cat#1 Name: _____ Breed: _____ Rabies Tag # _____ Expires: _____ Vet: _____ Sex: _____
 Spay/Neuter: _____ Rabies Tag # _____ Expires: _____ Vet: _____ Sex: _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ (Payable to City of Bozeman)

• **Enclose a copy of rabies certificate and Spay/Neuter (if applicable)**