



BY AUTHORITY

The following regulations have been made by the Town Council of the Town of St. George's under the provisions of Sections 413 and 414, and any other section found enabling of the Municipalities Act, 1999 as amended.

Amended and adopted by the Town Council of the Town of St. George's on the 10th day of September, 2007.



Mayor



Town Clerk

CAT REGULATIONS

1. These regulations may be cited as the Cat Regulations of the Town of St. George's, 2007.
2. For the purpose of this Regulation the following definitions shall apply:
 - a) "Act" means the Municipalities Act, Statutes of Newfoundland, Chapter M-24 (as amended).
 - b) "Animal Pound" means the facility operated by the Town of Stephenville for the keeping and disposition of strays and admitted animals.
 - c) "Cat" means a member of any breed of domesticated feline or cross-breed of domesticated feline whether spayed or neutered.
 - d) "Council" means the Town Council of the Town of St. George's.
 - e) "Control" means having at all times, the ability to manage, direct, restrict and restrain the movement of the cat.
 - f) "Kitten" means any breed of domesticated feline or cross breed of domesticated feline, which has yet to be weaned and/or under the age of sixteen weeks.
 - g) "Live Trap" means a cage-like device, specifically designed for use in the capture of Cats, without injury to the animal, thus enabling the Municipal Enforcement Officer or their agents to remove the animals humanely.
 - h) "Municipal Enforcement Officer" means a person employed by the Town of St. George's, and/or a person appointed by the Town Manager and authorized to enforce the Town of St. George's Cat Regulations.
 - I) "Owner" means and includes any person who possesses or harbors a cat(s) and shall include a person who is temporarily the keeper or in control of an animal,

and where the owner is under the age of 18 years of age, the person responsible for custody of the minor.

- j) "Premises" means any property within the boundaries of the Town.
 - k) "Running at Large" means to be unleashed:
 - i) in a public place, or
 - ii) on premises not owned by or in the possession of the owner of the animal, and,
 - iii) not under the control of any person when the cat is not on a leash held by a person or is not otherwise physically restrained.
 - l) "Town" means the Town of St. George's, the boundaries of which are defined in the Town of St. George's Municipal Plan Order 1988 dated the 26th day of August 1988 by Order-In-Council.
 - m) "Town Manager" means the Town Manager of the Town of St. George's.
3. No person shall keep any cat other than a kitten, not more than four (4) months old, within the limits of the Town, who has not obtained a licence in respect thereof and who has not registered the cat under the provisions of this regulation.
 4. Upon application made in accordance with the provisions of this regulation, every application for a cat licence shall furnish the Town Clerk with the name, address and telephone number of the cat owner.
 5. The Town Clerk shall have the charge of granting of licences and it shall be his/her duty:
 - a) to keep a complete register of all cats in respect of which licences are issued;
 - b) to furnish each licence with a numbered metal tag to be securely fixed to each cat in respect of which the license is issued.
 6. Every licence from the Town issued under this regulation shall be for the life of the animal and shall be non-transferable.
 7. No owner of a cat shall allow such cat to cause damage or otherwise create a disturbance to another person or another person's property.

8. Where a person makes a complaint to the Town Council that a cat is causing or has caused damage to said person or person's property or is creating or has created a disturbance, a Municipal Enforcement Officer or an agent of same may seize and cause such cat to be delivered to the animal pound.
9. No owner shall allow his or her cat to be running at large in the Town of St. George's and any cats running at large shall be liable to be captured as provided herein.
10. The Municipal Enforcement Officer or an agent of same may seize, capture or impound any cat found running at large contrary to these regulations and enter onto any premises for the purposes of capturing such cat.
11. The Municipal Enforcement Officer or an agent of same shall keep a cat in the animal pound for a 24 hour period for unlicensed cats, a 48 hour period for licensed cats, after the expiration of such period the cat may be sold or destroyed.
12. The owner may recover a seized or impounded cat on such proof of ownership of the cat as the Council may require, and upon the providing of a valid licence and payment of all fees in connection with the impounding.
13. The following seizing and impounding fees shall be paid by the owners of the cat seized or impounded:

Licensed Cats	\$25.00
Unlicensed Cats	\$50.00
14. Any person who interferes with or attempts to interfere with a Municipal Enforcement Officer or their agents, in the exercise of their duties, shall be deemed to have committed an offence in terms of these regulations.