

BE RESPONSIBLE:

Vaccinate and neuter your pets

Register your pets annually

Walk your pet:

- Take pet waste disposal bags on every walk
- Pick up waste using the bag as a “glove”
- Dispose of waste in an appropriate manner
 - place in trash can or
 - flush only the waste

Respect neighbors’ peace and quiet

Care for your pets!

Who should you call?

If you encounter a vicious dog, call 911

For general animal control issues, call Grand County Dispatch at 970-725-3549

To learn if your dog has been picked up, call Grand County Animal Shelter at 970-887-2988



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TOWN OF FRASER

Animal Control



A guide to understanding your responsibilities as a pet owner within the Town of Fraser.



“Come on, pick it up! It’s your duty!”

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Pet Waste Poo-lutes!

74.8 million dogs in the United States create 72.5 billion pounds of dog waste every year!

Just one gram of pet waste contains an average of 23 million fecal coliform bacteria. Pet waste can also contain salmonella, cryptosporidium and giardia. Some of these bacteria can cause serious gastrointestinal infections, as well as infections to the ear, eye and throat in humans.

As pet waste decomposes, it demands a high level of oxygen from water. This demand can suffocate fish and plant life by reducing the amount of oxygen available to them.

Pet waste left on the ground washes into the river or seeps into the ground, polluting our water. Fraser gets its water from ground water wells. Pet waste unnecessarily adds pollutants to the ground water, increasing our water treatment costs.

Do not compost pet waste. Compost piles may not get hot enough to kill disease causing organisms.

Remove pet waste from your garden. Remove pet waste from areas where children play to protect against infection. Wash hands with warm, soapy water after dealing with pet waste.

Pet waste in your yard creates a noxious odor. It can attract flies and other pests. And last, but not least, no one wants to step in pet waste!

Since 1985, an ordinance dealing with animal control and pet waste has been in effect in Fraser. In 2009, the Town Board adopted an ordinance which addresses regulations and expectations of both owners and domestic pets to maintain the health and well-being of animals, prevent damage to people or property and protect the public health, safety and welfare of its residents.



Fraser Municipal Code, Chapter 7, Health, Sanitation and Animals, Article 6 - Animal Control

To view the code, visit the Town website www.frasercolorado.com, click on Municipal Code and scroll to Chapter 7, Article 6 - Animal Control

The Town of Fraser Animal Control regulations are summarized here:

- **Licensing and vaccination of dogs** - required for all dogs over the age of six months kept within the Town of Fraser for 15 or more days. The non-transferrable license/tag is unique to each pet and to be attached to the pet collar. Licenses may be obtained at Fraser Town Hall or at local veterinary offices. Dogs must be vaccinated for rabies. Licenses expire at the end of the calendar year in which issued and must be renewed annually.
- **Dogs running at large; unlawful acts** - running at large means an animal that is not restricted to its owner's premises or not under effective and immediate control of a person (or the animal's owner), such that the animal is immediately obedient to that person's commands. It is unlawful to allow one's dog to run at large within the Town of Fraser. This is Fraser's version of a "leash law." Either have effective and immediate control of your pet or leash" it.

- **Animal defecation on public or private property** - not permitted on public property or another person's private property; the animal owner is required to carry feces away for proper disposal.
- **Harassment of assistance dogs prohibited** - not allowed by dogs or humans.
- **Impounding** - strays or dogs running at large on public property may be taken to the County animal shelter by Animal Control officers.
- **Quarantine of animals** - if a dog has bitten a person causing an abrasion of the skin or is thought by the Animal Control officer or a veterinarian to have rabies, the dog may be quarantined.
- **Possession of wild or vicious animals** - prohibited if kept for display or exhibition.
- **Misuse of animals** - live vertebrates cannot be part of any scheme designed to attract people to a business.

- **Animals in heat** - owners of every female dog or cat shall keep them confined (except for planned breeding) in a building or secure enclosure so they cannot attract or come into contact with other dogs or cats or create a nuisance by attracting other dogs or cats.
- **Care and control** - provide the animal with food, water, proper shelter from the weather and veterinary care to prevent suffering and injury. Do not allow animals to combat with other animals or humans. Do not harm or neglect animals.
- **Animal attacks** - it is unlawful to own an animal that causes severe bodily injury to a human or another animal.
- **Disposition of animals** - following impoundment of an animal, the Animal Control officer will leave a note with a person (18 years or older) at the animal's registered address advising of the disposition of the animal.

- **Noise** - it is unlawful to own an animal which disturbs the peace and quiet of the neighborhood.
- **Interference prohibited** - it is unlawful for any person to interfere with the those (police, county animal control officer or any licensed Colorado veterinarian) doing their job with regard to this Article of the Code.
- **Public service dog unit** - trained police dogs, when operating in connection with and under the direction of the Police Service Dog Service Unit and acting within the scope of the unit, are exempt from the provisions of this article, except they must be vaccinated against rabies.
- **Violations and penalties** - any person convicted of violating any provisions of this ordinance will be fined \$50 for the first and second offenses, \$300 for the third and subsequent offenses.

