

Kennel Application

Date _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address: _____

Breed #1 _____

Description _____ Age _____ Sex M F S N

Rabies Vaccination Date _____ Rabies Tag # _____

Breed #2 _____

Description _____ Age _____ Sex M F S N

Rabies Vaccination Date _____ Rabies Tag # _____

Breed #3 _____

Description _____ Age _____ Sex M F S N

Rabies Vaccination Date _____ Rabies Tag # _____

Breed #4 _____

Description _____ Age _____ Sex M F S N

Rabies Vaccination Date _____ Rabies Tag # _____

Breed #5 _____

Description _____ Age _____ Sex M F S N

Rabies Vaccination Date _____ Rabies Tag # _____

Statement of Interest:

Signature of Applicant

Notary Public

Date Approved _____ Fee _____ License # _____

*Please include all rabies and sterilization certificates with this application. They will be returned!

*If you have additional dogs, please attach a separate piece of paper.

Health Regulations for Kennels in Paradise

1.0 Purpose

These Rules and Regulations establish minimum standards for proper sanitation, nuisance control and for the construction, operation, and maintenance of kennels.

- 1.1 Protection of public health;
- 1.2 Prevention of injury to animals and humans
- 1.3 Prevention of the spread of disease; and
- 1.4 Prevention of nuisance, including noise, within Paradise Town.

2.0 Jurisdiction

All areas enumerated in section 2.0 shall be subject to the direction and control of the Paradise Town Council.

3.0 Powers and Duties

The Department, by the Public Works Director or Animal Control Officer, shall be responsible for the administration of these rules and regulations and in addition to any other powers vested in it by law shall.

- 3.1 Require the submission of reports, plans and specifications for facilities as necessary to implement the provisions of these regulations and the requirements and standards adopted pursuant to them;
- 3.2 Regulate issuance of permits and charge fees as are necessary to implement the provisions of the regulations and requirements and standards adopted pursuant to them;
- 3.3 May require inspections of any facility or facilities and issue orders as necessary to effect the purpose of these rules and regulations;
- 3.4 May examine animal (s) or require their professional examination if necessary for enforcement of these rules and regulations.
- 3.5 Do any and all acts permitted by law necessary for the successful enforcement of these rules and regulations.

4.0 General Requirements for Owners and Harborers of Dogs

- 4.1 No More than eight adult dogs (older than one year) shall be permitted on a lot. The presence of three or more adult dogs on a lot shall only be allowed if the owner(s) have a valid Kennel License.
- 4.2 A dog shall not be allowed to leave the premises except under the direct control of the owner (s) or other responsible person (s).
- 4.3 An owner (s) or other person (s) harboring any dog shall prevent the dog (s) from defecating on any other private property.
- 4.4 An owner (s) or other person(s) harboring any dog shall immediately remove the dog's fecal matter deposited on other property.
- 4.5 No person shall possess a barking dog. A barking dog is defined as a dog that barks, bays, cries, howls, or makes any noise for an extended period of time to the disturbance of any person at any time of day or night. Such extended period of time shall consist of incessant barking for 30 minutes or more in any twenty-four-hour period, or intermittent barking for 60 minutes or more during any twenty-four-hour period. A violation shall be assessed a fine, and is hereby declared to be a nuisance, and each day a violation is permitted to exist or continue shall constitute a separate offense.(see fee schedule)

5.0 General Requirements for Kennels

- 5.1 All parts of a facility shall be maintained in good repair.
- 5.2 All buildings and runs shall be built to reasonable standards to prevent the escape of any animal. A security fence or wall shall protect animals from trespassers.
- 5.3 The building(s), storage areas, and waste handling facilities shall be secure from rodents, insects and other vermin.
- 5.4 Outside runs of facilities shall be at least ten feet (3.05 meters) from the property line and at least 50 feet (15.25 meters) from all dwellings on adjacent property. In addition, all kennels, including structures, runs, and all other spaces the dogs inhabit, must be located closer to the owner's dwelling than to the dwelling of any neighbor, such that: The distance between any point on the owners dwelling and the furthest point of the kennel must be less than the distance between any point on a neighbors dwelling and the point of the kennel nearest to that neighbor.
- 5.5 Animal and food waste, bedding, hair, dead animals, and other waste material shall not be allowed to accumulate and shall be removed from the premises as often as necessary to prevent odor, rodent attraction, or any other nuisance.
- 5.6 The facility and premises shall be clean and free of litter, trash, and garbage.
- 5.7 All feed shall be free from contamination and adequately stored to protect against infestation or contamination by vermin.
- 5.8 All fencing shall be maintained in good repair and shall be of sufficient strength to protect the animals from injury, prevent escape, and restrict the entrance of other animals.
- 5.9 Any broken sections or any areas in the fencing that may cause injury to the enclosed animals or allow them to escape shall be repaired immediately.
- 5.10 Noise beyond the property line of any facility shall not exceed legal limits. The presence of a barking dog shall be considered a violation of the terms of this ordinance. Any Enforcement Officer has the authority to issue a citation to the kennel owner for a barking dog violation that the Enforcement Officer did not see or hear occur based on verification of the nuisance. Three such complaints during any six-month period will be grounds for revocation of the kennel license.
- 5.11 All dogs shall be enclosed in a building(s) between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.

6.0 Approval for Kennel Facility

- 6.1 Person(s) desiring to construct or modify a kennel facility shall initiate action by written application to the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- 6.2 The application to construct or modify the facility shall contain two copies of plans and specifications that include:
 - a- Address of the proposed kennel
 - b- Kennel owners name, address, and telephone number
 - c- Breed and number of animals for which the kennel is designed
 - d- Rendering of the location on the property, and the structure and design of the shelters, cages, runs, isolation e-areas, storage areas, ventilation, heating, lighting, drainage, sewage disposal, and fencing.
 - e- Conditional use application.
 - f- Other applicable information if requested.

7.0 Minimum Requirements for Kennel Facilities

In addition to the requirements of Sections 5.0 and 6.0, each kennel facility shall be designed, operated and maintained to meet the following minimum requirements:

7.1 Buildings

- a- All buildings where animals are kept, shall be constructed of smooth impervious material to a height of at least four feet (1.22 meters) high, and shall be easily cleanable, and shall not restrict proper sanitation.-All buildings shall have roofs, doors, and provide adequate protection from inclement weather and drafts to keep the animals healthy and comfortable. Bedding shall be provided that is clean and protects the animal(s) from cold weather.
- b- Ventilation shall be adequate to maintain the health and comfort of the animal(s) at all times.
- c- The facility shall be designed so surface drainage is diverted around and away from the runs and cages.

7.2 Minimum Size Requirements for Runs. Each size is a minimum requirement per animal.

- a- Dogs over 50 pounds (22.7 Kilograms) in weight shall not be kept in runs with floor space of less than 32 square feet.
- b- Dogs 15 to 50 pounds (6.8 to 22.7 kilograms) in weight shall not be kept in runs with floor space less than 24 square feet.
- c- Dogs less than 15 pounds (6.8 kilograms) in weight shall not be kept in runs with floor space of less than 16 square feet.
- d- All runs for animals shall have sufficient space for the animal(s) to freely and easily stand, sit, lay, or turn around without touching the sides or top of the run. All runs should be built so that they comply with 6.4 of this document.

7.3 Bedding

- a- Bedding shall be disposable and removed and replaced as necessary to maintain the facility clean and sanitary.
- b- Building floors and runs shall have a resting board or bedding adequate to comfortably hold all the animals at the same time and shall be maintained clean and sanitary.

7.4 Feed and Feeding

- a- All feed shall be wholesome, palatable, and of sufficient quantity and nutritive value to meet the normal daily requirements for the breed, condition, size, and age of the animal(s).
- b- Feed receptacles shall be accessible to all animals and located to minimize contamination by excreta.
- c- Animals more than 12-months-old shall be fed at least once each day.

7.5 Drinking Water

- a- All animals within buildings or runs or both shall have drinking water available at all times.

8.0 Regulatory Permits

- a- It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or maintain a kennel unless such person first obtains a regulatory permit from the Paradise Town Council, in addition to all other required licenses. All applications for permits to operate such establishments, including an application for a conditional use permit, shall be submitted together with the required permit fee, on a printed form provided, to the Paradise Town Council. Before the permit is issued, approval shall be granted by the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Animal Control Officer.

- b- Display of Permit- A valid permit shall be posted in a conspicuous place in each kennel and said permit shall be considered as appurtenant to the premises and not transferable to another location. The permittee shall notify the Paradise Town Council within 30 days of any change in his/her establishment or operation which may affect the status of his/her permit. In the event of a change in ownership of the establishment, the permittee shall notify the Paradise Town Council immediately. Permits shall not be transferable from one owner to another.

9.0 Required Vaccinations

The licensee shall be required to provide proof upon the application of a rabies vaccination for each dog kept and also proof of sterilization will be required if it is being licensed as a sterilized animal.

10.0 Renewal of License

Any license issued pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall automatically expire on December 31st immediately following the date of issue. Within two-2 months prior to the expiration of the license, the licensee shall apply for renewal of the license and pay the required fee. Any application made after December 31st, except an application for a new license, shall be accompanied by a late fee in addition to the regular license fee (see fee schedule).

11.0 Complaints and Revocation of License

All complaints received with regard to persons keeping and maintaining dogs under the provisions of this chapter shall be resolved as follows:

- a- The initial complaint shall be investigated by the Animal Control Officer.
- b- Upon completion of such investigation of the initial complaint, the Animal Control Officer shall submit to the licensee recommendations for removing the cause of the original complaint. A time period shall be included in which such recommendations must be implemented.
- c- The Animal Control Officer shall then re-inspect the premises to determine if the cause of the complaint has been removed and if the recommendations have been followed.
- d- Failure by the licensee to either remove the causes for the original complaint or to comply with the recommendations of the Animal Control Officer shall be considered grounds for revocation of the license issued under authority of this chapter.
- e- In the event that the causes of the complaint are not removed within the time specified by the Animal Control Officer, a hearing for the revocation of the license granted hereunder shall be held before the Mayor and/or such assistants as the mayor shall appoint. The hearing procedure shall provide for the following:
 - 1- A written notice served upon the licensee setting forth the causes upon which the revocation of the license is based.
 - 2- The opportunity for the licensee to appear at the open hearing and present evidence, appear in person or be represented by counsel and examine witnesses.
 - 3- Upon the presentation of evidence by the licensee and the Town, the Mayor and/or such assistants as appointed by him/her for this purpose, shall render a final decision as to the Town's recommendation that the license be revoked.

12.0 Penalty

Any violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed an infraction unless otherwise specified; permit is then revoked.