

## ORDINANCE #116

FIRST READING - March 9, 1999  
 SECOND READING - March 30, 1999

AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING THE CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF DOGS  
 AND OTHER DOMESTIC ANIMALS AT ALL LACKAWANNA COUNTY  
 OWNED PARK FACILITIES, LACKAWANNA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

**SECTION 1.** (a) No person having the custody or control of any dog or animal of the dog kind shall permit the same to be on any unfenced area or lot abutting upon a street, public park, public place or upon any other private land without being effectively restrained from moving beyond such unfenced area or lot; nor shall any person having the custody or control of any dog or animal of the dog kind permit the same at any time to be on any street, public park, school ground, or public place without being effectively restrained by chain or leash not exceeding eight (8) feet in length. Every person convicted of a violation of this provision shall be punished by a fine of not more than Thirty-five (\$35.00) Dollars.

(b) Any person having the custody or control of any dog or domestic animal shall have the responsibility for cleaning up any feces of the animal and disposing of such feces in a sanitary manner. It shall furthermore be the duty of any person having custody or control of any dog or domestic animal on or about any public place to have in such person's possession suitable equipment for the picking up, removal and sanitary disposal of animal feces. The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to a guide dog accompanying a blind person or to a service dog accompanying a disabled person or to a dog when used in police or rescue activities. Every person convicted of a violation of this provision shall be punished by a fine of not more than Thirty-five (\$35.00) Dollars.

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the ownership or use of Seeing Eye Dogs by blind persons, dogs used in police activities of the city, such as the canine corps or tracking dogs, used by or with the permission of the city's police department.

**SECTION 2.** All prior Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3.** This Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after enactment.

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