

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO MAINTAIN A DANGEROUS DOG

OWNER _____

PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ST/ZIP _____

NAME OF DOG _____

BREED _____

COLOR(S) _____

GENDER _____

REGISTRATION NUMBER (issued by Animal Control) _____

RABIES NUMBER _____

E-Mail Address _____

I hereby submit an application for or renewal to maintain a dog that has been classified as dangerous, at the above address. I certify that I have read and fully understand the restrictions and expectations of me listed on the reverse of this application and agree to comply with ALL of these restrictions.

*Failure to do so shall result in confiscation of the dog **and** issuance of a citation to be charged with a misdemeanor.*

I further understand that if a permit is issued, it must be renewed annually.

Signature _____

DATE _____

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICE USE ONLY:

Non-Refundable Fee \$100.00

Permit Approved _____ Permit Disapproved _____ Date _____

Reason for Disapproval _____

Permit Number Issued _____

Receipt# _____

Animal Control Officer _____

DATE _____

The owner of a dangerous dog must:

1. Ensure the dog is inoculated against rabies and must keep the dog current on rabies inoculations.
2. Post the premises where the dangerous dog is located with a clearly visible sign warning that there is a dangerous dog on the property. (*Signs purchased from HCAC*)
3. Confine the dangerous dog in a locked proper enclosure.
4. Not permit the dog to be outside a proper enclosure unless the dog is muzzled and restrained by a substantial chain or leash (less than 6 ft) and is under the physical restraint of a responsible person.
5. Present to the Houston County Animal Control Office a certificate of registration
 - a. Only be issued to a person 18 years or older.
 - b. Certifications **MUST BE** renewed every annually and failure to renew within ten days of renewal date constitutes a violation of this law and can result in confiscation of classified dog.
 - c. Certificates are non-transferable.
 - d. No more than one certificate per domicile.
 - e. No registration is allowed for any person convicted of two or more violations of this law.
6. Notify the Houston County Animal Control within 24 hours if the dog is on the loose, is unconfined, has attacked a human, has died, or has been sold or donated.
7. Notify the Houston County Animal Control if the owner is moving from outside the Houston County jurisdiction. (*this means into any city or another county.*)

In the event that any violations occur, I realize that:

Any violations of the above restrictions shall result in confiscation of the dog and the owner of the animal shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

- Any dog that has been confiscated under these provisions shall be returned to its owner upon the owner's compliance with the provisions of this article and upon the payment of reasonable confiscation costs. In the event the owner has not complied with the provisions of this article within 20 days of the date the dog was confiscated, said dog shall be destroyed in an expeditious and humane manner, at the owner's expense.

The Houston County Animal Control is authorized to make whatever inquiry is deemed necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of this article, with or without prior notice.