

**TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE**

**Local Law No. 10 for the Year 2010  
(Adopted November 30, 2010)**

A Local Law to amend Chapter 92 entitled DOGS of the Code of the Town of North Castle.

Be It Enacted by the Town Board of the Town of North Castle as follows:

Section 92-2 entitled Scope is re-titled Scope and Purpose and is amended to add the following:

1. The purpose of this local law is to provide for the licensing and identification of dogs, the control and protection of the dog population and the protection of persons, property, domestic animals and deer from dog attack and damage.

2. Section 92-5 entitled License Required is amended to read as follows:

A. All dogs in the Town of North Castle must be licensed with the Town Clerk by the age of 4 months and required to present a current Certificate of Rabies at the time of licensing or the renewal of an existing license. Applications shall be on forms prescribed by the Town Clerk.

B. All dog licenses will be for a period of one year and will expire at the end of the month one year from the date of issue.

C. Fees for licensing of dogs/Impoundment Fee:

1. The fee for a spayed or neutered dog shall be as set forth in Schedule A attached hereto. Subsequent amendments to Schedule A may be by Town Board resolution. It shall include a state assessment pursuant to Section 110-3 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, and additional funds for enumeration as provided for by Section 110-4(a) of the Agriculture and Markets Law.

2. The fee for an unsplayed or unneutered dog shall be as set forth in Schedule A attached hereto. Subsequent amendments to Schedule A may be by Town Board resolution. It shall include a state assessment pursuant to Section 110-3 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, and additional funds for enumeration as provided for by

Section 110-4(a) of the Agriculture and Markets Law.

3. Enumeration Fee: When the Town Board determines the need for a dog enumeration, a fee set by the Town Board by resolution shall be assessed to all dogs found unlicensed or renewed at the time enumeration is conducted.
4. Purebred licenses: The Town of North Castle will not be issuing purebred or kennel licenses. All dogs will be licensed individually as per the fee system stated above.
5. Service Dogs: The Town of North Castle requires licenses for all dogs living or harbored within the Town, however, the Town fee for licensure of all types of service dogs listed in Section 110-2 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, including, but not limited to, guide dogs, service dogs, hearing dogs, and detection dogs is waived.
6. Shelters: The Town of North Castle does not allow the licensing of dogs by a shelter. The shelter must notify the adoptive owners of their responsibility to license any dog which will be living within North Castle with the North Castle Town Clerk within 30 days of adoption. The shelter shall provide the Town Clerk with a list of adoptive owners monthly.
7. Seniors: Dogs owned by one or more senior residents, 65 years or older, are exempted from Town licensing fees.
8. Impoundment Fees: Impoundment fees should be as set forth in Schedule A. Subsequent amendments to Schedule A may be by Town Board resolution.

3. Section 92.8 entitled Fees is hereby deleted in its entirety and a new Section 92.8 entitled Penalties for Offenses is hereby adopted to read as follows:

Section 92.8. Penalties for Offenses

An offense against this chapter shall be deemed a violation and a person convicted of such an offense shall be liable to a fine of \$50 for a first violation within a 12 month period; to a fine of \$100 for a second violation within a 12 month period; and to a fine of \$150 for a third or subsequent violation within a 12 month period.

4. Effective Date: This Local Law shall be effective immediately upon filing of same with the Secretary of State of the State of New York.

## SCHEDULE A

### FEES:

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| 1. Spayed or neutered dog     | \$10.00 |
| 2. Unspayed or unneutered dog | \$18.00 |

### Impoundment Charges are as follows:

- A. A fee for dogs picked up by the Dog Control Officer will be set at thirty five dollars (\$35.) for the first occurrence and fifty dollars (\$50.) for the second occurrence, to be increased at intervals of fifty dollars (\$50.).
- B. In addition, there will be a shelter fee of ten dollars (\$10.) a day for each subsequent twenty-four (24) hours after the first day of impoundment.