

**LOCAL LAW # 10 OF 2003**

**DOG LAW OF THE  
TOWN OF WINDHAM**

A. Cause damage or destruction to property, or commit a nuisance upon the premises of a person other than the owner or person harboring such a dog.

B. Chase or otherwise harass any person in such a manner as to cause intimidation or to put such person in reasonable apprehension of bodily harm or injury other than on property of owner.

C. For the purpose of this law, a dog or dogs in company with an owner or harborer shall be considered as accompanied.

SECTION 1:

It shall be unlawful for the owner or person harboring any dog to allow the dog to run at large.

SECTION 2:

It shall be unlawful for the owner or any person harboring any dog in the Town of Windham to permit or allow such dog to run at large unless said dog is restrained by an adequate collar and leash.

SECTION 3:

A Dog Warden, to be designated by the Town Board as provided by 119 of the Agricultural and Markets Law, and see that the order or orders of the Town Justice in such case are carried out.

SECTION 4:

Upon receipt by the Town Justice of any signed complaint under oath against the conduct of any particular dog, the Town Justice may summon the alleged owner or other person harboring said dog to appear in person before him. If the summons is disregarded, the Justice may permit the filing of information and issue a warrant for the arrest of such person.

SECTION 5:

Any person who violates this law or knowingly permits the violation of this law or of any of the provisions thereof shall be deemed to have committed an offense against this law and any person convicted of any such violation after investigation and hearing shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$100.00 for each violation.

SECTION 6:

The Windham Town Justices shall be empowered to use their discretion in ordering an owner or harborer of dogs, that have been found in violation of any section of this law more than once, to confine said dogs in a manner that will prevent future violations. Any person or persons willfully

failing to obey a court order to confine a dog may be found in contempt of Court, and liable to a penalty of not less than \$25.00 or more than \$100.00.

SECTION 7:

The owner or harbinger of a dog shall notify the Dog Warden, Dog Enumerator or Town Clerk at such time as he or she ceases to possess such animal.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of the State of the State of New York.