

Franklin-Simpson Animal Must Knows!

ALL complaints (animal related or not) should be given to Kentucky State Police Post 3 Dispatch. They can be reached at **270-586-8824**.

The Ordinance you should reference depends on where you live in Simpson County; it also depends on where your animal will be housed.

If you live inside the city limits of Franklin, you must abide by the City ordinances.

If you live outside city limits in the county, then you will refer to the Simpson County Ordinance to determine the standard.

Both can be found below.



★ **The Simpson County Animal Ordinance** can be found at:

<http://www.simpsoncounty.us/ordinances/310.14.pdf>

★ **The City of Franklin Animal Ordinance** can be found at:

https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/franklinky/latest/franklin_ky/0-0-0-18826#JD_Chapter91

→ The following deems an ***animal vicious***:

- ◆ Pit Bull, Rottweiler, Wolf-Hybrid and **mixed breed thereof**.
 - ◆ Any animal which when unprovoked, approaches in a terrorizing manner, any person in an attitude of attack upon streets, sidewalks or any public grounds or places.
 - ◆ Any animal with a known propensity, tendency or disposition to unprovoked attacks which cause injury or endanger the safety of human beings or domestic animals.
- No person shall permit a vicious dog to go outside of its kennel, pen, or the owner's residence unless the animal is securely restrained with a leash.
- Vicious animals **may not** be leashed or tethered to inanimate objects such as trees, posts, buildings, etc.
- Any officer can deem an animal vicious based on their judgment of the animal's behavior.



- ❖ All animals are required by KRS 258 to be vaccinated for rabies, and revaccinated for rabies at the expiration of the immunization period as certified by a veterinarian. Each rabies vaccination lasts for one year, therefore, your animal must be vaccinated against rabies **YEARLY**. *KRS 258.015*
 - ❖ It is unlawful for any person to exhibit, display or keep any animal without providing food, water, adequate shelter and/or protection from the elements, adequate space, reasonable grooming, ventilation, shade from the sun, proper sanitation, care and medical attention.
 - *Violation of this is a Class A Misdemeanor and is an arrestable offense. KRS 525.130*
- ❖ It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any animal owned or harbored by him or her to run at large. An animal **RUNNING AT LARGE** is defined as any animal that is off the property of the owner, custodian, possessor or harborer and is not restrained.
 - *Violation of this is a class B Misdemeanor. KRS 258.235*
 - Therefore, if your animal is off of your property and is not properly restrained, it is considered running at large.

Franklin Police Department handles all calls that are located inside city limits.

Simpson County Sheriff's Office handles all calls that are in the county.

Depending on where the location of the incident occurs will determine which entity will respond.