

**ORDINANCE NO. 9-04**

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING DOGS AND  
OTHER ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE IN THE  
VILLAGE OF SPENCER, OHIO  
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Spencer, Ohio, three-fourths (3/4) of its members concurring herein as follows:

(A) No person being the owner or having charge of cattle, sheep, geese, ducks, turkeys, or other fowl or animals shall permit them to run at large upon any public place, or upon any unenclosed lands, or upon the premises of another.

(B) No person being the owner of or having charge of any dog, whether wearing a registration tag or not, shall permit it to run at large upon any public place or upon the premises of another. No owner, keeper, or harbinger of any female dog shall permit such dog to go beyond the premises of such owner or keeper at any time such dog is in heat, unless such dog is properly in leash. The owner or keeper of every dog shall, at all times, keep such dog either confined upon the premises of the owner or keeper, or under reasonable control of some person.

(C) The running at large of any such animal in or upon any of the places mentioned in this section is prima facie evidence that it is running at large in violation of this section.

(D) No owner or keeper of a dog shall permit such dog to leave the premises of the owner or keeper, except on a leash, in a suitable conveyance or container and under the control of a responsible person.

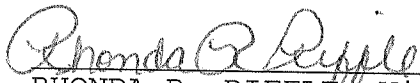
(E) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, health, safety, and general welfare of the residents of the Village of Spencer, and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED: July 28, 2004

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
TOMMY RAMEY, Mayor

Attest:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
RHONDA R. RIFFLE, Village Fiscal Officer