

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6-3-3 and SECTION 6-3-7(A) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF JEROME, ARIZONA, TO PROHIBIT DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE AND PROVIDING FOR PUNISHMENT FOR VIOLATION: TO ALLOW IMPOUNDMENT OF DOGS AT LARGE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JEROME, YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Section 6-3-3 of the Code of the Town of Jerome is hereby amended to read:

Section 6-3-3 Running at Large

A. No dog shall be at large within the Town of Jerome. In the event that a dog is at large, the criminal responsibility for violation of this ordinance shall be upon the person owning, keeping, possessing, harboring, or maintaining the dog. A dog is not deemed to be at large:

1. If said dog is restrained by a leash, chain, rope, or cord of not more than six feet in length and of sufficient strength to control the action of said dog;

2. While said dog is actively engaged in dog obedience training, accompanied by and under the control of his owner or tainer, provided that the person training said dog has in his possession a dog leash of not more than six feet in length and of sufficient strength to control said dog, and, further, that said dog is actually enrolled in or has graduated from a dog obedience training school which has been approved by the pound master or police officer of the Town of Jerome.

3. While said dog is being used for hunting purposes;

4. While said dog is being exhibited at an American Kennel Club approved show; or

5. While said dog is engaged in races approved by the Arizona Racing Commission.

B. The pound master or a police officer of the Town of Jerome may apprehend and impound any dog running at large contrary to the provisions of this Section. The pound master or a police officer of the Town of Jerome shall have the right to enter upon private property when it be necessary to do so in order to apprehend and impound any dog that has been running at large. Such entrance upon private property shall be in reasonable pursuit of such dog.

C. Any person found guilty of violating any provision of this Section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$300.00, or by imprisonment for a period not to exceed three months, or both such fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation continues shall be a separate offense punishable as hereinabove described.

Section 2. That Section 6-3-7(A), Code of Town of Jerome, is amended to read:

Section 6-3-7 Impoundment

A. The pound master or Jerome police officer may apprehend and impound any dog found running at large.

Section 3. Emergency:

Whereas it is necessary for the preservation of the peace, health, and safety of the Town of Jerome that this ordinance become immediately effective, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council and approved by the Mayor of the Town of Jerome, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1979.

APPROVED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1979, by the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the Common Council of the Town of Jerome, Arizona.

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
TOWN CLERK