

## **TOWN OF POMFRET, VERMONT**

### **NOTICE OF DOG ORDINANCE ADOPTION**

Pursuant to Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated, sections 1972 and 1973, the Selectboard of the Town of Pomfret, Vermont, adopted the following Town Dog Ordinance on October 1, 2014.

The Ordinance shall become effective sixty days after the vote to adopt. The adoption of the Ordinance may be disapproved by a vote of a majority of the qualified voters of the Town voting at an annual or special meeting duly warned for the purpose, pursuant to a petition for a vote on the question of approving the adoption. A petition for a vote on the question of approving the adoption shall be signed by no less than five percent of the qualified voters of the Town of Pomfret, and presented to the Selectboard or Town Clerk within forty-four days following the date of action by the Selectboard.

The full text of the ordinance is available for review at the Pomfret Town Office, Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. or on the municipal website at [www.pomfretvt.us](http://www.pomfretvt.us) For more information, contact the Pomfret Town Clerk, 5218 Pomfret Road, North Pomfret, VT 05053. (802) 457-3861. [clerk@pomfretvt.us](mailto:clerk@pomfretvt.us)

#### **ORDINANCE SUMMARY:**

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY. This ordinance is adopted by the selectboard of the Town of Pomfret under authority of 20 V.S.A. § 3549, 24 V.S.A. §§ 2291 (10, 14 & 15), and 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE. It is the purpose of this ordinance to regulate the keeping of dogs to protect public health and safety and to protect the residents' quiet enjoyment of their homes and properties.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS.

SECTION 4. DISTURBANCES AND NUISANCES.

SECTION 5. COLLAR AND LICENSE.

SECTION 6. HUMANE CARE OF DOGS.

SECTION 7. IMPOUNDMENT.

SECTION 8. NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT AND RELEASE FROM IMPOUNDMENT.

SECTION 9. ENFORCEMENT.

SECTION 10. INVESTIGATION OF VICIOUS DOGS

SECTION 10. PENALTIES AND COSTS.

SECTION 11. OTHER LAWS

SECTION 12. SEVERABILITY.

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective 60 days after its adoption by the Pomfret Selectboard. If a petition is filed under 24 V.S.A. § 1973, that statute shall govern the taking effect of this ordinance.

Town of Pomfret Selectboard

10/1/14