

ORDINANCE NO. 08-2020

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 505 ANIMALS AND FOWL, SECTION 505.11 KILLING OR INJURING ANIMALS AND REPEAL SECTIONS 505.13 POISONING ANIMALS AND 505.15 CRUELTY TO ANIMALS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 505 ANIMALS AND FOWL, Section 505.11 Killing or Injuring Animals be amended in the Code of Ordinances for the City of Reynoldsburg be and is hereby attached as Exhibit A.

SECTION 2. That Chapter 505 ANIMALS AND FOWL, Sections 505.13 Poisoning Animals and 505.15 Cruelty to Animals are hereby repealed as is hereby attached as Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. That upon adoption by Council, this ordinance shall be in effect thirty days following the signature by the Mayor.

Passed this 27th day of January, 2020.



Leanora Jenkins, Council President

ATTEST: 

Mollie Prasher, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: 

Joseph Begeny, Mayor

DATE 1-28-2020

505.11 KILLING, INJURING, POISONING OR CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

(a) No person shall maliciously or willfully kill or injure a dog, cat, or any other domesticated animal, unless such act is to protect the public or themselves from serious injury.

(b) No person shall maliciously or willfully administer poison to a dog, cat, or any other domestic animal that is the property of another; and no person shall, willfully, place any poisoned food where it may be easily found and eaten by any such animal, either upon his or her own lands or the lands of another.

(c) No person shall:

(1) Torture an animal, deprive one of necessary sustenance, unnecessarily or cruelly beat, needlessly mutilate or kill, or impound or confine an animal without supplying it during the confinement with a sufficient quantity of good wholesome food and water;

(2) Commit an act of cruelty against an animal.

(3) Impound or confine an animal without affording it, during the confinement, access to shelter from wind, rain, snow, heat, cold or excessive direct sunlight, if it can reasonably be expected that the animal would otherwise become sick or in some other way suffer. For the purpose of this section, “shelter” means an artificially made enclosure, windbreak;

(4) Carry or convey an animal in a cruel or inhumane manner;

(d) Whoever violates subsection (a) or (c) of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. Whoever violates subsection (b) of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree.

(e) As used in this section, “cruelty,” “torment,” and “torture” shall have the same meaning as in Ohio Revised Code Section 1717.01.

(f) This section does not apply to the lawful practice of veterinary medicine by a person who has been issued a license, temporary permit, or registration certificate to do so under Ohio Revised Code Section 4741.

(Ord. 76-96. Passed 6-10-96; Ord. 72-03. Passed 9-8-03.)