

## *Dog Training*

If you have a dog that barks excessively, or you can't keep your dog on your property, there are a number of things that can be done to solve the problem. Anit-bark collars and electronic fences utilize either static (electrical) correction or a citronella spray and are available commercially in many area stores and through catalogs.

Training can often solve a dog's behavioral problems. You may find local trainers in the telephone book and there are many options on-line.

## *Making a Complaint*

If you would like to make a complaint about a Nuisance, Menace or Vicious dog in your neighborhood, please contact the Alton Animal Control Officer during regular business hours.

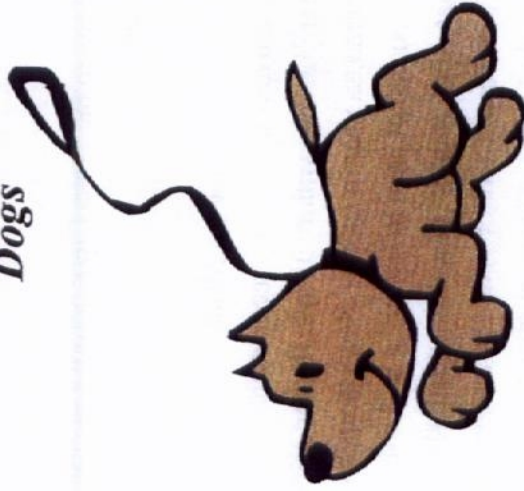
## *In an Emergency*

In an emergency, contact the Alton Police Department at any time or dial 911.



# **ANIMAL CONTROL**

*Dogs*



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### Licensing your Dog.

The Town of Alton NH requires all dogs, four (4) months or older to be registered with the Town Clerk each year before April 30th.; and that each dog shall wear a collar with a metal tag provided at registration.

### Rabies Certificate

The owner of the dog must furnish a rabies certificate to the Town Clerk before a license will be issued.

### New to Alton?

If you are new to town; it's recommended that you register your dog within 30 days. If your dog is registered this year in another New Hampshire town, you do not have to register it in Alton until the next April 30th. It is recommended that you notify the Town Clerk of your dog's registration tag number, town of registration, and your new Alton address. If your dog is lost, it will be easier for the Animal Control Officer to find you.



### Nuisance Dogs

The Town of Alton defines nuisance dogs as:

- A dog is "at large" unless accompanied by the owner or custodian.
- If a dog barks for sustained periods of time or during the night hours so as to disturb the peace and quiet of a neighborhood area.
- If it digs, scratches, or excretes, or causes waste or garbage to be scattered on a property other than it's owner's.
- If a female dog in season is permitted to run at large or be off the premises of the owner or keeper during this period except when being exercised on a leash by a reasonable adult.

### Nuisance Dog Penalties

1st offence	\$ 25.00
2nd offence (within 12 months)	\$100.00

### Menace Dogs

The Town of Alton defines Menace dogs as:

- If a dog growls, snaps at, runs after or chases a person.
- If it runs after, or chases bicycles, motor vehicles, or other vehicles being driven, pulled or pushed on streets, highways, or public ways.

### Menace Dog Penalties

1st offence	\$ 50.00
2nd offence (within 12 months)	\$200.00

### Vicious Dogs

The Town of Alton defines a Vicious dog as:

- If, weather alone or in a pack with other dogs, it bites, attacks, or preys on game animals, domestic animals, fowl or human beings.

### Vicious Dog Penalties

1st offence	\$100.00
2nd offence (within 12 months)	\$400.00

