RUMNEY ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE

ADOPTED MARCH 16, 1989 - TOWN MEETING

ARTICLE 28

By authority of the Town of Rumney Animal Control Ordinance adopted at Town Meeting 1989:

It is unlawful to allow a dog to run at large in the confines of the Town of Rumney. Dogs must be leashed, penned or under the control of the owner at all times.

It is unlawful for a dog owner to allow his dog to bark for sustained periods of time or during night hours, so as to cause a breach of peace in any area of town.

It is unlawful for a dog owner to allow his dog to dig, scratch, excrete, or cause waste or garbage to be scattered on property other than that of the dogs owner.

It is unlawful for the owner of a female dog to use said dog for the purpose of hunting within the Town of Rumney while the dog is in season (heat).

It is unlawful for the owner of any dog to allow the dog to growl at, snap at, or chase any person under any circumstance.

It is unlawful for the owner of any dog to allow the dog to run after or chase bicycles, motor vehicles, or any other vehicle whether being driven, pushed or pulled on any street, highway or public way with the Town of Rumney.

It is unlawful for the owner of any dog to allow the dog to bite, maul, attack or prey on any domestic animals, game animals, fowl or human beings within the Town of Rumney unless so licensed to do so by the State of NH and being within the parameters of the NH Fish and Game laws.

These ordinances are in addition to any state of NH RSA's and NH Fish and Game laws. They will be actively enforced by the Town of Rumney Animal Control Officer and all town and state law enforcement officers. Warnings or summons will be issued to violators at the discretion of the attending officer.

If Town Ordinance violations and summons are ignored by the dogs owner, a summons for the Plymouth District Court will be issued.

DOG RESTRAINT ORDINANCE

It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of any dog in the Town of Rumney to permit such dog to run at large on the public highways in said town or on the land of any person without the permission of the owner or occupant of said land. Except for the use of hunting coon, upland game, rabbits, bear, or bobcat, under superivsion of the owner. Anyone violating this resolution shall be subject to a fine not exceeding twenty five dollars (\$25.00.)

History of the Ordinance

Passed at Town Meeting on March 6, 1973 Amended at Town Meeting on March 5, 1974 (fine increased)