

CAMPTON

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CAMPTON NEW HAMPSHIRE 03223

DOG CONTROL LAW

RSA 466:30-a

This law was voted in at the General Election held in November of 1980

I. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, it shall be unlawful for any dog to run at large, except when accompanied by the owner or custodian and when used for hunting, for guarding, working or herding livestock, as defined in RSA 21:34-a. II(a)(4), supervised competition and exhibition or for training for such. For the purpose of this section, "accompanied" means that the owner or custodian must be able to see, or hear, or both, or have reasonable knowledge of where the dog is hunting, where training is being conducted, where trials are being held, or where the dog is guarding, working, or herding livestock. Nothing herein provided shall mean that the dog must be within sight at all times

II. In this section "at large" means off the premises of the owner or keeper and not under control of any person by means of personal presence and attention as will reasonably control the conduct of such dog, unless accompanied by the owner.

III. Any authorized person may seize, impound or restrain any dog in violation of this section and deliver said dog to a person or shelter authorized to board dogs. Such dogs shall be handled as strays or abandoned dogs pursuant to applicable laws.

IV. In addition to impounding a dog found at large or in violation of this section, any law enforcement officer may issue in the name of the owner or keeper of such dog a notice of violation for a nuisance dog pursuant to RSA 466:31, II(a.) Such notice shall impose upon the owner or keeper of such dog a forfeiture of \$25.00 which must be paid to the clerk of the town or city wherein such dog is owned or kept within 96 hours of the date and time notice is given. In the event such penalty is not paid to the town or city clerk within the time limitations specified, a summons shall be issued for appearance in district court and this will be treated as a violation.

V. The provisions of this section shall not be effective in any city or town unless adopted by a city or town pursuant to RSA 466:30-b.