

56.05 DISPLAY OF TAGS. Upon issuing a permit to keep any dog or cat, the Clerk shall issue to the owner a metallic or durable plastic tag stamped with an identifying number and with the year of issuance, and so designed that it may be conveniently fastened to a dog's or cat's collar or harness. Such tag shall be fastened to such collar or harness by the owner and shall be worn at all times when the dog or cat is off the premises of its owner. The Clerk shall maintain a record of the identifying numbers and shall make this record available to the public.

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KENNEL LICENSES

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57.01 DEFINITION. “Hobby kennel” means a noncommercial kennel at, in or adjoining a private residence where dogs or cats or both are kept for the hobby of the householder, including, but not limited to, using them for hunting or practice training or for exhibiting them in shows or field or obedience trials, or for guarding or protecting the householder’s property. The keeper of a hobby kennel may keep or maintain up to two (2) dogs over the age of six (6) months and two (2) cats over the age of six (6) months without being subject to the licensing provisions herein.

57.02 LICENSE REQUIRED. No person shall operate a hobby kennel unless said person obtains a license issued by the Clerk. Application for the license shall be in the manner provided by the Clerk. The annual license period shall commence March 1. The license fee shall be as determined by resolution of the Council from time to time. The license may be renewed upon application in the manner prescribed by the Clerk, provided the licensee has conformed to all statutory and regulatory requirements.

57.03 REVOCATION OF LICENSE. A license may be denied to any hobby kennel or if granted, such license may be revoked by the Clerk if, after public hearing, it is determined that the practices by the hobby kennel owner are not in compliance with the provisions of this Code of Ordinances and the Code of Iowa. The premises of each licensee shall be open for inspection during normal business hours.

57.04 MISDEMEANOR VIOLATION. Operation of a hobby kennel without a currently valid license shall constitute a misdemeanor and each day of such operation shall constitute a separate offense.

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