



Article 2. Animals and Fowl Generally

2-201. **RUNNING AT LARGE.** It shall be unlawful for any owner, or person having the care, custody or control of any cattle, swine, horses, mules, sheep, goats, fowl or any undomesticated animals, to permit the same to run at large in the city.

2-202. **SAME; IMPOUNDING.** The animal control officer and any law enforcement personnel are each and all hereby declared nominated, elected and constituted, and any of them shall take up all animals found unlawfully running at large within the city and confine them in such pound, pen, building or other place designated by the city commission.

2-203. **SAME; FEES.** All costs involving the impoundment of animals shall be borne by the owner of each animal. Fees for impounding, boarding, posting notices for sale, and/or making sale of animals harbored in the municipal pound shall be specified in the city's annual resolution establishing all license fees and are found in Exhibit C-201.

2-204. **KEEPING ANIMALS.** It shall be unlawful for the owner, lessee, occupant or person in charge of any premises in the city to possess or maintain any horses, fowl, mules, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, or any undomesticated animals. This provision shall not apply to:

- (a) The maintaining of a stockyard or sales barn for the loading, unloading, temporary detention and sale of such livestock, if the location of such stockyard or sales barn does not otherwise violate the zoning ordinances of the city.
- (b) The maintaining of dogs which are regulated by Article 3 of this chapter.
- (c) The maintaining of non-poisonous and non-vicious animals and fowl which are actually kept in the household at all times.
- (d) The transporting of animals through the city by ordinary and customary means.

2-205. **VICIOUS OR DANGEROUS ANIMALS.** (a) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to keep, maintain or have in his or her possession or under his or her control within the city any poisonous reptile or any other dangerous wild animal or reptile, any vicious or dangerous animal or any other animal or reptile of wild, vicious or dangerous propensities.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, maintain or have in his or her possession or under his or her control within the city any of the following animals:

- (1) All poisonous animals including rear-fang snakes.
- (2) Apes; Chimpanzees; gibbons; gorillas, orangutans; and saimangs.
- (3) Baboons.
- (4) Badgers.
- (5) Bears.
- (6) Bison.
- (7) Bobcats.
- (8) Cheetahs.
- (9) Crocadians, 30 inches in length or more.
- (10) Constrictor snakes.



- (11) Coyotes.
 - (12) Deer; includes all members of the deer family, for example, white-tailed deer, elk, antelope and moose.
 - (13) Elephants.
 - (14) Game cocks and other fighting birds.
 - (15) Hippopotami.
 - (16) Hyenas.
 - (17) Jaguars.
 - (18) Leopards.
 - (19) Lions.
 - (20) Lynxes.
 - (21) Monkeys.
 - (22) Ostriches.
 - (23) Pumas; also known as cougars, mountain lions and panthers.
 - (24) Raccoons.
 - (25) Rhinoceroses.
 - (26) Skunks.
 - (27) Tigers.
 - (28) Wolves.
 - (29) Crossbreeds of any of the above.
- (c) The prohibitions of this section shall not apply to zoos, circuses, carnivals, educational institutions, or medical institutions, if:
- (1) Their location conforms to the provisions of the zoning ordinance of the city.
 - (2) All animals and animal quarters are kept in a clean and sanitary condition and so maintained as to eliminate objectional odors.
 - (3) Animals are maintained in quarters so constructed as to prevent their escape.
- (d) The municipal judge shall have the authority to order any animal deemed vicious confined, destroyed or removed from the city.

2-206 SLAUGHTERING OF ANIMALS IN THE CITY LIMITS. It shall be unlawful to slaughter a domestic or wild animal within the corporate limits of the Liberal, Kansas. The prohibition shall apply whether the animal was alive at the time of the act within the City, or whether the animal was dead upon being brought into the City. This ordinance shall not apply to commercial slaughter houses now located or existing within the City, to commercial slaughter facilities hereafter located in areas appropriately zoned for slaughter facilities within the City pursuant to the zoning ordinance of the City of Liberal, Kansas, or to game birds or fish legally harvested pursuant to the laws of Kansas.

2-207 SAME; SLAUGHTERING OF ANIMALS - DEFINED: The act of killing a live animal; or the bleeding of or removal of the internal organs, viscera or entrails of a dead animal.

2-208 SAME; PENALTY. A violation of Section 2-206 is a Class A violation, and is punishable as such, and upon being found guilty in municipal court be fined a sum of not less than \$500 and not more than \$1,000 for a first offense, with a doubling of the minimum and maximum amount



of fine for each offense thereafter. In addition, the cost of cleanup and animal disposition shall be assessed against a violator of Section 2-206.