

**LOCAL LAW NO. 1, 2011**  
**CHAPTER 75**  
**ANIMALS**

A LOCAL LAW amending Chapter 75 of the Code of the Village of Ossining entitled "Animals" in connection with licensing of dogs to delete Section 75.12 entitled "License fees" and to enact a new Section 75.12 entitled "Licensing" to comply with the requirements of Sections 110-3 and 110-4(a) of the New York Agriculture and Market Law.

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ossining as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Trustees would like to clarify and improve Chapter 75 of the Code of the Village of Ossining entitled "Animals" by amending same to add certain licensing provisions. This Local Law is determined to be an exercise of the legislative powers of the Village to strengthen the Animals Chapter for the protection of the health, safety and welfare of residents, and serves to implement specific requirements in accordance with Sections 110-3 and 110-4(a) of the New York State Agriculture and Markets law.

Section 2. Chapter 75 entitled "Animals" of the Code of the Village of Ossining is hereby amended to delete Section 75-12 entitled "License Fees" and to enact a new Section 75-12 entitled "Licensing" to read and provide as follows:

Section 75-12 Licensing

A. All dogs in the Village of Ossining must be licensed with the Village Clerk by the age of 4 months and required to present a current Certificate of Rabies at the time of licensing or the renewal of an existing license.

B. All dog licenses will be for a period of one year and will expire at the end of the month one year from the date of issue.

C. Fees for licensing of dogs:

1. The fee for a neutered male or spayed female dog shall be set by the Board of Trustees in the Village Fee Schedule or by resolution. It shall include a state assessment pursuant to §110-3 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, and additional funds for remuneration as provided for by § 110-4(a) of the Agriculture and Markets Law.

2. The fee for an unneutered male or unspayed female dog shall be set by the Board of Trustees in the Village Fee Schedule or by resolution. It shall include a state assessment pursuant to §110-3 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, and additional funds for remuneration as provided for by §110-4(a) of the Agriculture and Markets Law.



3. Enumeration Fee: When the Board of Trustees determines the need for a dog enumeration, a fee set by the Board in the Village Fee Schedule or by resolution shall be assessed to all dogs found unlicensed or renewed at the time enumeration is conducted.

4. Purebred Licenses: The Village of Ossining will not be issuing purebred or kennel licenses. All dogs will be licensed individually as per the fee system stated above.

5. Service Dogs: The Village of Ossining requires licenses for all dogs living or harbored within the incorporated area of the Village of Ossining, however, the Village fee for licensure of all types of services dogs listed in §110-2 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, including, but not limited to, guide dogs, service dogs, hearing dogs, and detection dogs, is waived.

6. Shelters: The Village of Ossining does not allow the licensing of dogs by a shelter. The shelter must notify the adoptive owners of their responsibility to license any dog who will be living within the incorporated area of the Village of Ossining with the Village Clerk within 30 days of adoption. The shelter must provide the Village with a list of adoptive owners monthly.

7. Senior Citizens Exemption: Residents of the incorporated area of the Village of Ossining who are 60 years of age and older shall be exempt from any Village of Ossining local fees incorporated within the fees enumerated herein.

Section 3: Except as otherwise modified herein, all other provisions of the Code of the Village of Ossining shall remain in full force and effect and is otherwise ratified, readopted and confirmed.

Section 4: Severability. The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words or parts of this Local Law or their petition to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Local Law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such person or circumstance to which the Local law or part hereof is held inapplicable had been specifically exempt there from.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon publication and posting as required by law.