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§101. Definitions. As used in this Chapter, the following terms shall have the meaning indicated, unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context:

OWNER - any person having a right of property in any dog or having custody of any dog, or any person who harbors or permits a dog to remain on or around his or her property.

RUNNING AT LARGE - being upon any public highway, street, alley, park, or any other public land, or upon property of another person other than the owner, and not being accompanied by or under the control of the owner or any other person having custody of said dog.

(Ord. 3-1991, 12/30/1991)

§102. Unlawful to Allow Dogs to Run at Large. It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog or dogs to allow or permit such dog or dogs to run at large in the Township of West Nottingham. (Ord. 3-1991, 12/30/1991)

§103. Seizing of Dogs. Any police officer or dog warden may seize any dog found at large in Township of West Nottingham. Such dogs are to be impounded in a licensed kennel. (Ord. 3-1991, 12/30/1991)

§104. Licensed Dogs. Owners of licensed dogs are to be notified by registered or certified mail, with return receipt, that the dog is impounded and will be disposed of in five (5) days if not claimed. Five (5) days after the return receipt has been received, and the dog has not been claimed, the dog may be sold or destroyed in accordance with the 1982 Dog Law. (Ord. 3-1991, 12/30/1991)

§105. Unlicensed Dogs. Unlicensed dogs that are seized are to be held in such kennel for forty-eight (48) hours and if not claimed may be destroyed in accordance with the 1982 Dog Law. (Ord. 3-1991, 12/30/1991)

§106. Threatening Dogs. Dogs that, in the opinion of any police officer or dog warden, constitutes a threat to public health and welfare may be killed by the police or dog warden. (Ord. 3-1991, 12/30/1991)

§107. Penalty. The first two (2) times a dog is seized, the owner shall pay a fine of fifteen (\$15.00) dollars to the Township of West Nottingham as well as reasonable fees for keeping the animal in a kennel.

Any person allowing an animal to run at large a third time in violation of this Chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than three hundred (\$300.00) dollars; and/or to imprisonment for a term not to exceed ninety (90) days.

(Ord. 3-1991, 12/30/1991)

