

## *Animal Control Helpful Hints*

- All dogs and cats must be licensed annually in town even if they are house bound. License application may be retrieved either on the Town website or at the Clerk's Department.
- All dogs must be on leash when off the owner's property and wearing a collar with the town's license and active rabies tag.
- The fine for improper restraint (off the leash) for a dog is \$50.00. Repeat offenders will have their fine increased.
- If your dog escapes from the house or yard, please call the Police Department at 401-437-3930 and give them your information.
- No dogs are allowed on the Town Beach between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Dogs are allowed on the beach at the far end of either side of the parking lot.

Dogs must be leashed at all times even while in the water.

- Barking dog complaints: To report a problem, please call the Police Department at 401-437-3930.
- If the ACO or a Police Officer witness the dog barking excessively a fine maybe be issued. The first fine is \$50, second fine \$75 and third fine \$100.
- All animal bites, including dog and cats should be reported to the Police Department 401-437-3930.

- If you have a dead animal on your property, please double bag it in a large black garbage bag and put it out for your next trash day.
- If you see a dead animal on the road that might be a traffic hazard please call the ACO at the Police Department 401-437-3930.
- Sightings of a coyote or any wildlife that may appear to be sick or injured should be reported to DEM 401-222-3070 and the Barrington Police Department 401-437-3930.

For more information on rabies and coyotes . . .

[www.riwildliferehab.org/donation.html](http://www.riwildliferehab.org/donation.html)

- Wild life animals like skunks, raccoons, squirrels and ground hog that cause a nuisance on your property must be handled by a private pest control company. We will respond to any calls of a sick or rabid animal on private property.
- If you should have a bat in your house please call DEM at 401-222-3070 and Barrington Police Dispatch Center to report it.

I hope the following tips have been helpful to you. I can be reached at 401-437-3930 or email at [pwatson@barrington.ri.gov](mailto:pwatson@barrington.ri.gov)

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