

*On behalf of your fellow residents who seek your cooperation to keep our traffic and streets in compliance with local laws, the \_\_\_\_\_ calls your attention to the following East Baton Rouge Parish Traffic Ordinances.*

## **EBRP Animal Ordinances**

### **Sec. 14:200. Requirements for possession.**

No person shall own, keep, or harbor any dog, cat or ferret over the age of three (3) months within East Baton Rouge Parish without having:

- (1) The dog, cat or ferret vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian at three (3) months of age initially, revaccinated one (1) year later and then on an annual or triennial basis thereafter, except in case of injury or any other medical condition that would preclude proper vaccination of the dog or cat or endanger the health of the animal and only upon receipt by the animal control center of a letter signed by a licensed veterinarian requesting an exception until the medical condition is resolved to the point that vaccination is no longer a threat to the health of the dog or cat.
- (2) Registered the dog, cat or ferret with the animal control center upon presentation of a certificate of such rabies vaccination, as hereinafter specified.
- (3) Tagged the dog or cat as hereinafter specified.

### **Sec. 14:201. Registration.**

- (a) It shall be the duty of the owner of every dog, cat or ferret to register same with the animal control center, to pay all pertinent fees and to obtain and to retain at all times the certificate of registration, giving the name and address of the owner, a description of the dog, cat or ferret by sex, color, date of birth or estimated approximate age and weight; and the breed of the dog or cat if known; and the animal control center shall record all such information. The tag referred to in section 14:200 shall be securely fastened at all times to a collar or harness which must be worn at all times by the dog or cat for which the tag was issued. Law enforcement dogs, hunting dogs and show dogs or cats while being worked and/or shown under the supervision of their owners or employees and ferrets are exempted from wearing the above-stated tag. Dogs or cats while under veterinary care or kept by institutions of higher learning are also exempted.

### **Sec. 14:204. Owner's responsibility.**

- (a) The owner or possessor of any animal shall be held responsible and liable for any and all actions taken by said animal.
- (b) All dogs shall be kept, at all times, from running at large.
- (c) All cats shall be kept, at all times, from running at large.
- (d) Female dogs or cats in estrus shall be secured in such a manner so as to prevent contact with a non-neutered adult male of the same species except for planned breeding.
- (e) No dog or cat shall cause a nuisance.
- (f) The owner or possessor of a dog or cat shall be held responsible for any behavior of the dog or cat that is deemed a nuisance under the provisions of this part.
- (h) No dog shall cause any excessive noise making or excessive barking.