

Zoonotic Diseases

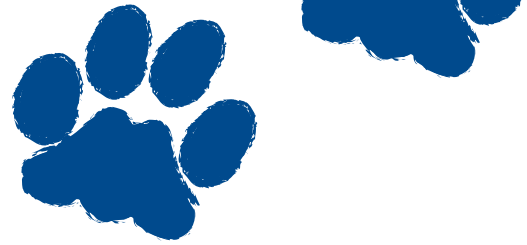
While it is not likely everyone will get sick, there are many diseases and germs that can be transmitted from animals to humans. To help prevent the spread of germs wash your hands after contact with an animal and remove all waste that your dog deposits on public property.

Some dog related diseases:

- Campylobacteriosis
- Cryptosporidiosis
- Tapeworm
- Giardiasis
- Hookworm
- Leishmaniasis
- Rabies
- Ringworm
- Salmonellosis
- Roundworm

License and Vaccinations:

Maryland State law and Washington County Animal Control Ordinance require that all dogs, cats and ferrets 4 months of age and older be currently vaccinated against rabies. A dog license, available from your veterinarian, is required of all dogs four months of age or older.



Have you ever wondered why there is a need for animal laws?

The reason is....**people.**

Animal problems begin with pet owners who:

Let their pets roam free.

Fail to observe laws and ordinances.

Allow their pets to have unwanted litters.

In order to protect our community and our local pet population, Animal Control needs the help of its citizens.

If you own a pet, please follow the rules of our City, County and State.

THANK YOU

City of Hagerstown
Maryland

IMPORTANT DOG INFO



Parks & Recreation
351 N. Cleveland Avenue
Hagerstown, MD 21740
301-739-8577, ext. 169
Parks&rec@hagerstownmd.org
www.hagerstownmd.org

City of Hagerstown Guidelines for Behavior of Dogs and Owners in our Parks

- 1 Dog owners/custodians are responsible for their dogs and any injuries caused by their dogs.
- 2 Dog owners/custodians must remain in the designated areas of the park.
- 3 Dogs must be leashed at all times. Leashes are to be a maximum of six (6) feet in length.
- 4 Dog owners/custodians must immediately clean up after their dogs.
- 5 Dogs with a known history of or who exhibit dangerous behavior are prohibited.
- 6 Dogs must be healthy, fully immunized, de-wormed, licensed and wearing ID tags.
- 7 An adult must accompany children under 12; young children must be closely supervised by the adult.
- 8 Dogs in heat are prohibited.
- 9 Only two (2) dogs per person are allowed.
- 10 Dog owners/custodians must control their dogs at all times.
- 11 Cooperation among dog owners/custodians is essential.

Enforcement of City Ordinances made by
Hagerstown Police Department
301-790-3700

Humane Society of Washington Co.
Animal Control 301-733-2060, ext.203
After Hours 301-790-7577

Penalty for Violations of the Guidelines for Behavior of Dogs and Owners in our Parks

Any dog owner, custodian, or other individual who violates any of these guidelines shall be guilty of a municipal infraction and shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$50.00 for each violation. If an individual is convicted of violating any of these guidelines, and is subsequently convicted of another violation here of, said individual shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$100.00 for each violation.

Be a Responsible Pet Owner:

Spay/Neuter
License
Leash
Scoop Poop

PLEASE REMEMBER

Dogs are permitted along the outside perimeters of Fairgrounds Park and City Park only. They are NOT permitted in any of our other parks.

Please obey all posted signs in our parks. Dog bags and containers are provided throughout Fairgrounds Park and City Park for your use to pick up after your dog.

Maps showing where dogs are permitted are available in our Parks & Recreation office.

Washington County Animal Control Ordinance Adopted by the City of Hagerstown

Section 28 Animal Waste

(a) It shall be unlawful for any owner or custodian to allow his or her animal or any animal under his or her care to urinate or defecate on the property of another without the property owner's consent, unless the owner or custodian of the animal immediately thereafter removes and disposes of any waste in a sanitary manner.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any Owner or custodian to allow his or her animal or any animal under his or her care to defecate on public property unless the Owner or custodian of the animal immediately thereafter removes and disposes of any waste in a sanitary manner.

Section 27 Animal at Large

No Owner shall allow an animal to be at large. "Any animal off the premises of the Owner, and not under the immediate control, charge or possession of the Owner or other responsible person capable of physically restraining the animal."

Violation of any section of the Washington County Animal Control Ordinances are civil penalties as follows:

1st Offense = \$25 2nd Offense = \$100
3rd and Subsequent Offense = \$250