

**ORDINANCE REGARDING DOG OWNERSHIP
TOWN OF FARMINGTON**

ORDINANCE # 1-96

The Town Board of the Town of Farmington, Polk County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION I: PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to regulate dog ownership in the Town of Farmington.

SECTION II: PROVISION CREATED

An ordinance regarding dog ownership is hereby created.

SECTION III: NEW PROVISION

The Dog Ownership Ordinance shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. NUISANCE CAUSED BY DOG: The Town of Farmington will issue a nuisance warning to the owner of any dog about which at least two complaints have been received by any member of the town board. The complaints must be lodged within a thirty-day period and come from at least two town residents living in separate households. Complaints may pertain to barking or howling by the dog, aggressive or threatening behavior exhibited toward individuals not on the owner's property, or running loose on public or private property within the town limits.

Any town resident receiving such a nuisance warning will have five days from its receipt to remedy the problem. If any further complaint about the same dog is received from a town resident within the ninety days following such five-day period, the town board shall give the owner of such dog prompt notice thereof and the owner shall then have seven days to remove the dog(s) from the premises.

SECTION 2. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE OR MORE DOGS BY ONE HOUSEHOLD: The owners of any household within the Town of Farmington harboring five or more dogs for a time period exceeding seven days shall obtain a kennel license in accordance with Section 174.053 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

SECTION 3. PENALTIES: Any violation of this ordinance shall result in a fine not to exceed \$200.00 per violation.

SECTION IV: VALIDITY

Should any section, clause, or provision of the Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part of it shall not be affected thereby, other than the part declared invalid.

SECTION V: CONFLICTING PROVISION REPEALED

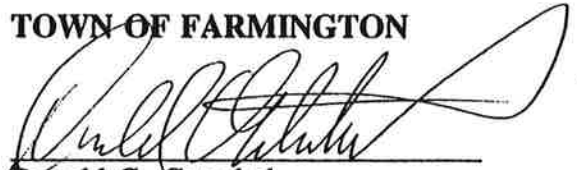
All Ordinances in conflict with any provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION VI: PLACEMENT WITHIN CODE OF ORDINANCES

This Ordinance becomes a part of the Ordinances of the Town of Farmington.

Dated this 8th day of January, 1996.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON



Donald C. Getschel
Town Chairman



Debbie Swanson
Town Clerk

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