

City of Manawa, WI
Friday, February 14, 2025

Chapter 94. Animals

§ 94-26. Limitation on number of dogs.

- A. Purpose. The keeping of a large number of dogs within the city for a considerable period of time detracts from and, in many instances, is detrimental to healthful and comfortable life in such areas. The keeping of a large number of dogs is, therefore, declared a public nuisance.
- B. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

DOG

Any canine, regardless of age or sex.

RESIDENTIAL LOT

A parcel of land zoned as residential, occupied or to be occupied by a dwelling, platted or unplatted, and under common ownership. For the purpose of this section, any vacant parcel or parcels adjoining a dwelling and under the same ownership shall constitute one lot.

- C. Number limited.

- (1) No family shall own, harbor or keep in its possession more than ~~two~~ **three** dogs on any residentially zoned lot ~~without the prior approval of the Common Council~~, except that a litter of pups or a portion of a litter may be kept for not more than ~~eight~~ **12** weeks from birth. If more than one family resides on a residential lot, then only a total of ~~two~~ **three** dogs shall be allowed on the residential lot, ~~unless prior approval is obtained from the Common Council~~. For the purposes of this section, the term "family" shall be defined as one or more persons. Persons may keep more than ~~two~~ **three** dogs only if they have first received a kennel license and a conditional use permit pursuant to Chapter **303**, Zoning, of this Code.
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- (2) ~~If a family would like to own more than three dogs, they may apply for a Kennel License. See ordinance 94-4 Dog and kennel licenses.~~

~~The above requirement may be waived with the approval of the Common Council or when a kennel license has been issued by the city. Such application for waiver shall first be made to the City Clerk-Treasurer, who shall forward the request with his or her approval or objection to the Health Officer and the Police Department. After review, these officials shall make a recommendation to the Common Council prior to Council action on the matter.~~