

## TITLE IV MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH

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4-1-1 DEFINITIONS. For use in this chapter the following terms are defined as follows:

1. The term “dogs” shall mean both male and female animals of the canine species whether altered or not.
2. The term “at large” shall mean any licensed or unlicensed dog found off the premises of the owner and not under the control of a competent person, restrained within a motor vehicle, housed in a veterinary hospital or kennel, on a leash or “at heel” beside a competent person and obedient to that person’s command.
3. The term “owner” shall mean any person or persons, firm, association, or corporation owning, keeping, sheltering or harboring a dog. (Code of Iowa, Sec 351.2)

4-1-2 IMMUNIZATION. All dogs or cats six (6) months or older shall be vaccinated against rabies. Before issuance of the license the owner shall furnish a veterinarian’s certificate showing that the dog for which the license is sought has been vaccinated, and that the vaccination does not expire within six(6) months from the effective date of the dog license. It shall be a violation of this Ordinance for any dog to not be vaccinated against rabies. A tag showing evidence of proper vaccination shall be worn by every dog when not confined. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.33 and 351.34)

4-1-3 AT LARGE PROHIBITED. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit a dog under the care, custody or control of any animal to allow such animal to run at large within the City of Letts, whether the animal be licensed or unlicensed. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.41)

4-1-4 ANIMAL NUISANCES. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit a dog under each person’s control or within such person’s custody to commit a nuisance. An animal shall be considered a nuisance if it:

1. Damages, soils, defile, or defecate, on private property other than the owner’s or on public walks and recreation areas unless such waste is immediately removed and property disposed of by the owner.
2. Causes unsanitary, dangerous or offensive conditions.

