

**ORDINANCE NO. 1010 2024**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF IRWIN AMENDING THE ANIMALS CODE**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Irwin regulates the activities of pets in public places; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has determined it is in the best interests of the health, safety and general welfare of the public at large that the regulations be updated, as follows, to ensure that pets are using public spaces in the safest way possible.

**BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Council of the Borough of Irwin, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** Borough of Irwin Code Section 88-3 is repealed and replaced, as follows:

**§ 88-3 Regulation of Animals**

- A. No person having possession, custody or control of any animal shall knowingly or negligently permit any dog or other animal to commit on public property (including without limitation any parks, rights of way or other Borough of Irwin Property) any nuisance. The following behavior is prohibited and shall be a violation of this Code:
  - 1. Allowing the animal to defecate on public property without immediately collecting it and disposing of it in a sanitary manner in compliance with Irwin Code §88-5;
  - 2. Allowing your animal to consistently bark or otherwise make noises creating a disruption to the area;
  - 3. Digging or otherwise damaging public property;
  - 4. Excessive animal related odors;
  - 5. Any other behavior which causes disruption to the general public or results in damage to property.
- B. All animals on public property must be vaccinated pursuant to state law. All dogs on public property must be registered pursuant to state law.
- C. Animals in heat must remain indoors or otherwise secured on private property.
- D. Animals must be leashed at all times on public property (including without limitation any parks, rights of way or other Borough of Irwin Property). Leashes may be no longer than six (6) feet.

**SECTION 2. Effective Date.** The terms and provision set forth herein shall become effective as of the date of enactment.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 13th day of Mach, 2024, a full quorum being present and acting throughout.

ATTEST: Shari Martino  
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Irwin Borough Secretary

BOROUGH OF IRWIN  
By: Rick Burdelski  
Rick Burdelski  
Irwin Borough Council President

EXAMINED AND APPROVED by the Borough Mayor on this 14th day of February, 2024.

Jeffery Clem  
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Irwin Borough Mayor