

**TITLE 10****ANIMAL CONTROL****CHAPTER****1. IN GENERAL.****CHAPTER 1****IN GENERAL****SECTION**

- 10-101. Running at large prohibited.
- 10-102. Keeping near a residence or business restricted.
- 10-103. Pen or enclosure to be kept clean.
- 10-104. Adequate food, water, and shelter, etc., to be provided.
- 10-105. Keeping in such manner as to become a nuisance prohibited.
- 10-106. Cruel treatment prohibited.
- 10-107. Slaughtering prohibited.
- 10-108. Inspections of premises.

**10-101. Running at large prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person owning or being in charge of any animal, knowingly or negligently, to permit any of them to run at large, which being defined is any place except upon the premises of the owner. The animal shall not be considered running at large if it is on a leash and/or under control of a person physically able to control it. The town may call the Bedford County Animal Control to resolve a nuisance issue. Any expense incurred shall be reimbursed by the owner of the animal. (1996 Code, § 10-101, as replaced by Ord. #10-006, Dec. 2010 *Ch1\_11-10-20*)

**10-102. Keeping near a residence or business restricted.** No person shall keep or allow any other animal or fowl enumerated in the preceding section within one thousand (1,000) feet of any residence, place of business, or public street without a permit from the health officer. The health officer shall issue a permit only when in his sound judgment the keeping of such an animal in a yard or building under the circumstances as set forth in the application for the permit will not injuriously affect the public health. (1996 Code, § 10-102)

**10-103. Pen or enclosure to be kept clean.** When animals or fowls are kept within the corporate limits, the building, structure, corral, pen, or enclosure in which they are kept shall at all times be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. (1996 Code, § 10-103)

**10-104. Adequate food, water, and shelter, etc., to be provided.** As applied under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 39-14-202.

**10-105. Keeping in such manner as to become a nuisance prohibited.** No animal or fowl shall be kept in such a place or condition as to become a nuisance because of either noise, odor, contagious disease, or other reason. (1996 Code, § 10-105)

**10-106. Cruel treatment prohibited.** As applied under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 39-14-202.

**10-107. Slaughtering prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to slaughter or kill any livestock of any kind within the corporate limits. (1996 Code, § 10-107)

**10-108. Inspections of premises.** For the purpose of making inspections to insure compliance with the provisions of this chapter, the health officer, or his authorized representative, shall be authorized to enter, at any reasonable time, any premises where he has reasonable cause to believe an animal or fowl is being kept in violation of this chapter. (1996 Code, § 10-108)