**KENNEL - DOGS**

**DEFINITION:** The City of Piqua Codified Ordinances defines a Kennel as: Any lot or premises used for the sale, boarding, or breeding of dogs, cats or other household pets; or, the keeping on or in any lot or building of three or more dogs, cats, or other household pets which are over the age of six (6) months.

**REFERENCE:** City of Piqua Code of Ordinances: §154.005 Definitions and §90.05 Nuisance Conditions

**STANDARDS:** The following information highlights the standards applicable to the keeping of dogs.

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**Nuisance Conditions** – No owner shall allow his or her dog, cat or other domestic animal to become a public nuisance. Excessive barking, whining or howling, chasing vehicles, attacking of people or other domestic animals, and damaging property is considered a nuisance.

The owner or person in charge or control of any animal which scratches, digs, urinates or defecates upon any lawn, tree, shrub, plant, building or any other public or private property (other than the property of the owner of the animal) shall immediately repair any damage and remove all feces deposited by the animal and dispose of same in a sanitary manner.

**Dogs Running at Large** – The owner, keeper or harborer of every dog shall, at all times, keep the dog either confined upon the premises of the owner or firmly secured by means of a collar, chain, or any other device so that it cannot stray from the premises of the owner, keeper or harborer, or it shall be kept under reasonable control of some person.