

The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill

By-Law 22-25

A By-Law to promote responsible pet ownership and regulate animal control within the City of Richmond Hill.

Whereas Section 11 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended (the “Municipal Act, 2001”) provides that a municipality may enact by-laws respecting animals;

And Whereas Section 103 of the Municipal Act, 2001 provides that, if a municipality passes a by-law regulating or prohibiting animals being at large or trespassing, it may provide for the seizure, impounding and sale of such animals under certain conditions;

And Whereas Section 105(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 provides that if a municipality requires the muzzling of a dog under any circumstance, the Council of the municipality shall, upon the request of the dog owner, hold a hearing to determine whether or not to exempt the owner in whole or in part from the muzzling requirement;

And Whereas pursuant to the Screening and Hearing Officer By-law No. 70-16, as amended and whereas Section 23.5(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 authorizes a municipality to delegate to a person or body described in Section 23.2(1) the power or duty to hold a hearing or provide an opportunity to be heard before the decision is made or the step is taken;

And Whereas Section 391 of the Municipal Act, 2001 authorizes municipalities to impose fees or charges for services or activities, and Section 398 of the Municipal Act, 2001 provides that fees and charges imposed by a municipality on a person constitute a debt of the person to the municipality;

And Whereas Section 434(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 provides that a municipality may require a person to pay an administrative penalty if the municipality is satisfied that a person has failed to comply with a by-law of the municipality passed under the Municipal Act, 2001;

And Whereas Section 435 - 439 of the Municipal Act, 2001 provides for conditions governing the powers of entry of a municipality on land and dwelling at any reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out an inspection to determine compliance with a by-law, and carry out the provisions of a by-law;

And Whereas Section 444 of the Municipal Act, 2001 provides that a municipality may make an order requiring a person who contravened a by-law or who caused or

permitted the contravention or the owner or occupier of the land on which the contravention occurred to discontinue the contravening activity;

And Whereas Section 445 of the Municipal Act, 2001 provides that a municipality may make an order requiring the person who contravened the by-law or who caused or permitted the contravention or the owner or occupier of the land on which the contravention occurred to do work to correct the contravention.

Now Therefore The Council of The Corporation of The City of Richmond Hill Enacts as Follows:

1. That this By-law No. 22-25 be effective upon enactment.

Passed this 26 day of March, 2025.

David West

Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke

City Clerk

ARTICLE 1 – Interpretation

1.1 Short Title

This By-law may be referred to as the "Responsible Pet Ownership and Animal Regulation By-law".

1.2 Definitions

In this By-law, the following words shall have the following meanings:

“Administrative Penalty By-law” means the Administrative Penalty By-law No. 69-16, as amended or superseded, establishing a system of administrative penalties;

“Animal” means any member of the animal kingdom, other than human;

“Attack” means an assault resulting in physical harm;

“Attractant” means any food, substance, scents, sounds, or any other items that may reasonably entice or attract Animals;

“Bite” or “Bitten” means the breaking, puncturing or bruising of the skin by a tooth or teeth of a Dog;

“Care and Control” means the act of preventing an Animal from inflicting harm on another Person, Animal, or damage to Property, trespassing or being at-large;

“Cat” means a feline of the species *Felis catus*;

“Commissioner” means the individual from time to time occupying the office of Commissioner of Community Services of the Corporation or a successor office as the case may be;

“Corporation” means the Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill;

“Council” means the Council of the Corporation;

“Dangerous Dog” means a Dog that, in the absence of any Mitigating Factor, has Attacked, Bitten, or Menaced a Person or Domestic Animal and shall not

include a Police Service Dog in active duty;

“Dangerous Dog Notice” means a notice containing restrictions, provisions and muzzling requirements pursuant to Article 5 of this By-law;

“Director” means the individual from time to time occupying the office of Director of Community Standards of the Corporation or a successor office as the case may be;

“Distress” means the state of being in need of proper care, water, food or shelter, as a result of and not limited to being injured, sick, in pain, suffering, abused, or subject to undue or unnecessary hardship, deprivation or neglect;

“Disturb” means to intentionally or unintentionally change the conditions which interfere with the normal living of Wildlife, and for greater certainty shall include Harassment and any other actions that may interfere with the normal living behaviour patterns and habitat of Wildlife;

“Dog” means a canine of the species *Canis lupus familiaris*;

“Domestic Animal” means an Animal Kept by or living with a Person(s), and shall not include Livestock or Wildlife;

“Dwelling Unit” means a place of residence with one or more habitable rooms containing separate kitchen and bathroom facilities for private use as a single housekeeping unit;

“Enclosure” means any pen, cage, tank, garage, loft or other enclosed structure used for the purposes of keeping Animals;

“Extreme Weather” means a weather warning alert issued by Environment Canada for weather including but not limited to, extreme cold or hot temperatures, snowstorms, freezing rain or ice accumulation, heavy rainfall, hurricanes, tornadoes and/or strong winds;

“Guide Dog” means a Dog as defined in Section 1(1) of the *Blind Persons’ Rights Act R.S.O. 1990, Chapter B.7*, or a Dog trained in accordance with the Act to assist the visually impaired person, or deaf or hearing impaired person as prescribed by a member of the College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario;

“Harass or Harassment” means to engage in any act which demonstrates a disregard for the well-being of, creates the likelihood of injury to, or disrupts normal behavior patterns of any Animal;

“Hearing Officer” means a Person appointed for the purpose of adjudicating appeals of administrative penalties and to conduct hearings in accordance with the Screening and Hearing Officer By-law No. 70-16, as amended;

“Keep or Kept” means to have temporary or permanent Care and Control, custody or possession of an Animal;

“Kennel” means a place whether enclosed or not, where more than four (4) Animals are kept for the purpose of Keeping, breeding or boarding for commercial purposes;

“Kennel By-law” means the Kennel Licensing By-law No. 188-05, as amended or superseded, establishing licensing and regulating requirements of Kennels;

“Livestock” means farm Animals kept for use, propagation or profit and includes, without restricting the generality of this definition, dairy and beef cattle, horses, swine, sheep, laying hens, chicken, turkeys, goats, geese, ducks, mink, rabbits and includes game birds where they are kept pursuant to a license under the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997, SO 1997, c 41*;

“Menace” means any intimidating, aggressive or threatening behavior, in the absence of a Mitigating Factor, including but not limited to aggressively approaching, chasing, snapping or snarling;

“Mitigating Factor” in reference to a Dog or Dangerous Dog, means a circumstance which explains a Dog Attack, Bite or Menacing behaviour, and

without limiting the generality of the foregoing, includes circumstances where:

- a) the Dog was acting in defence of an Attack by a Person or Animal;
- b) the Dog was acting in defence of its young; or
- c) the Dog was being teased, provoked, tormented, abused, or in Distress.

"Municipal Act, 2001" means the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended;

"Municipal Animal Shelter" means an animal shelter that is maintained by or on behalf of the Corporation which houses Animals for the purposes of impoundment, Protective Care or adoption;

"Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer" means any individual or Person appointed for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this By-law or any by-law of the Corporation, and may include an Animal Control Officer or Provincial Offences Officer that has been designated by the Commissioner, or a police officer;

"Muzzle" means a fastening or covering device of adequate strength and design suitable to the breed of Dog that is placed over the mouth of a Dog that cannot be removed by a Dog, to prevent it from Biting, without interfering with the breathing, panting or vision of the Dog or the Dog's ability to drink;

"Neutered" means any male Animal that has been sterilized by a veterinary surgeon licensed pursuant to the *Veterinarians Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. V.3*;

"Order" means an order issued by a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer to a Person pursuant to this By-law requiring such Person to remedy a contravention of this By-law or adhere to a regulation of this By-law;

"Owner" includes any Person who Keeps an Animal, and shall include a Person who temporarily Keeps or has Care and Control of an Animal, and where the Owner is a minor, the person responsible for the custody of the minor;

"Penalty Notice" means a notice given to a Person pursuant to Part 4 of the Administrative Penalty Bylaw;

“Person” means any individual, corporation, or partnership and includes an agent or employee of any of them;

“Police Service Dog” means a Dog trained for and actually engaged in law enforcement;

“Proof” shall include documentation such as municipal licensing, original purchase documents identifying the Animal, the name and address of the pet store or Person from whom the Animal was purchased, the date the Animal was purchased, the purchase price, and the name and address of the purchaser, or in the case of medical records, identification of the Animal, age, name and address of the qualified veterinarian administering medical services including sterilization, vaccination and microchipping procedures, and the dates such services were administered.

“Property” includes lands, buildings, structures including those appurtenant thereto, and all mobile homes, mobile buildings, mobile structures, outbuildings, fences and erections thereon; whether heretofore or hereafter erected, and includes vacant property;

“Protective Care” means the temporary custody of an Animal by the Corporation because of an eviction, incarceration, medical or fire emergency or any other situation that the Commissioner deems appropriate;

“Rear Yard” means a yard extending across the full width of a Property between the rear Property line and the main wall nearest to the rear yard Property line of the main building or structure on that Property;

“Service Animal” means an Animal described in subsection 80.45(4) of O.Reg. 191/11 pursuant to the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act 2005, S.O. 2005, c. 11* and shall include a Guide Dog;

“Spayed” means any a female Animal that has been sterilized by a veterinary surgeon licensed pursuant to the *Veterinarians Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. V.3*;

“Tag” means a registration disc or other shape of metal or plastic issued by the

Corporation and is suitable to be securely fixed on a Dog or Cat containing the licence number, issuing municipality and dates of validity/expiry;

"Tariff of Fees By-law" means the Corporation's by-law(s) made pursuant to Section 391 of the Municipal Act, 2001 imposing fees or charges for services or activities done by or on behalf of the Corporation, costs payable by the Corporation, and use of the Corporation's property;

"Tether" means to confine an Animal to a certain location using a rope, chain, or similar restraining device;

"Valid Microchip Implant" means an encoded identification device implanted into an Animal and that contains a unique code that permits or facilitates access to Owner information, including the current name and address of the Owner, which is stored in a central database;

"Wildlife" means any Animal that is found in the natural environment and includes any game or protected Animal referenced in the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, c. 41*, or the regulations made thereunder;

"Working Dog" means any Dog that has been trained to perform work for a Person on private or public Property and is used exclusively for that purpose while in the execution of its duties, and shall include:

- a) a guard Dog that is used for security purposes on commercial or industrial Property pursuant to *Ontario Regulation 365/07; Use of Animals*, as amended; or
- b) a livestock guardian Dog as defined in Section 2 of *Ontario Regulation 444/19; Standard of Care and Administrative Requirements*, as amended.

"Work Order" means an order requiring an Owner to do work to correct a contravention of this By-law.

ARTICLE 2 – Application

2.1 Application of Standards

1. This By-law applies to all Animals within the City of Richmond Hill.

2. Where a provision of this By-law conflicts with a provision of any other by-law of the Corporation, or any provincial statute, the provision that establishes the higher standard to protect the health, safety and welfare of Animals and the public prevails.

2.2 General Exemptions

1. This By-law shall not apply to:
 - a) Police Service Dogs;
 - b) any Property owned or occupied by York Regional Police;
 - c) the employees of a municipal or other government authority lawfully operating a public park, exhibition or zoological garden, and maintaining Animals therein;
 - d) the premises or an affiliate branch of a lawfully operated Municipal Animal Shelter or the Provincial Animal Welfare Services;
 - e) an animal hospital or clinic which is lawfully operated and supervised by a veterinarian licensed by the Ontario Veterinary Association;
 - f) premises registered as research facilities under the *Animals for Research Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A.22*, as amended, or the employees of such facility, during the course of their duties;
 - g) any person licensed or exempted as an operator of an animal supply facility in accordance with the *Animals for Research Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A.22*, as amended, or the employees of such facility, during the course of their duties; and
 - h) native Wildlife species licensed in accordance with the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, c. 41* and exempts only those Animals described and listed on individual licenses.

2.3 Severability

1. In the event that any particular provision or part of a provision of this By-law is found to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, then the particular provision or part of the provision shall be deemed to be severed from the remainder of this By-law, and all other provisions shall remain in full force and shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE 3 – Administration and Enforcement

3.1 Powers and Duties

1. The Commissioner shall be responsible for the administration of this By-law.
2. The Director may:
 - a) impose additional restrictions to those set out in section 5.2 on any

Dangerous Dog;

- b) grant the continuation of the Keeping of an Animal not specifically listed or permitted in Schedule 'A' provided that the Animal is not an Animal described in paragraph (b) of subsection 12.1.1;
- c) impose terms and conditions on the Keeping of an Animal in accordance with Article 12 of this By-law; and
- d) determine the required information and Proof an Owner must submit to obtain a Dog or Cat license.

3.2 Municipal By-law Enforcement Officers

1. A Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer is authorized to enforce the provisions of this By-law and for the purpose of such enforcement may exercise any of the powers and perform any of the duties set out in this By-law.
2. A Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer has the discretion to seize, impound, or relocate an Animal as set out in this By-law, or any Provincial Act or Regulation.

3.3 Power of Entry

1. A Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer or any Person under their direction may enter on a Property at any reasonable time with proper identification for the purpose of:
 - a) carrying out an inspection to determine compliance with the provisions of this By-law; and
 - b) seizing or impounding an Animal that is at-large or trespassing.

3.4 Power of Inspection

1. For the purposes of an inspection, a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer may:
 - a) require the production for inspection of documents or things relevant to the inspection;
 - b) inspect and remove documents or things relevant to the inspection for the purpose of making copies or extracts;
 - c) require information from any Person concerning a matter related to the inspection; and
 - d) alone or in conjunction with a Person possessing special or expert knowledge, make examinations or take tests, samples or photographs necessary for the purpose of inspection.

3.5 Protective Care of Animals

1. A Municipal By-law Officer Enforcement has the discretion to place an Animal into Protective Care at any time.
2. The Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer shall arrange for the necessary food, water, shelter, or immediate veterinarian treatment for the Animal for the period the Animal is placed in Protective Care.
3. Any Animal seized for the purpose of providing Protective Care shall be impounded for a minimum period of ten (10) days, exclusive of the day on which the Animal was impounded and statutory holidays and Sundays.
4. Where an Animal is not redeemed at the end of the Protective Care period, it shall be treated as an unclaimed impounded Animal.
5. The Owner shall pay any costs incurred by the Corporation or Municipal Animal Shelter.

3.6 Inspection Pursuant to Court Order

1. A Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer may undertake an inspection pursuant to a court order issued under section 438 of the Municipal Act, 2001.

3.7 Fee for Inspection

1. The Corporation may charge the Owner of an Animal or Property a fee or charge pursuant to the Tariff of Fees By-law to conduct an inspection, including additional fees for multiple inspections.

3.8 Hindering or Obstructing

1. No Person shall hinder or obstruct, or attempt to hinder or obstruct a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer, or any Person under their direction, who is exercising a power or performing a duty under this By-law.

3.9 Work Orders

1. If a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer has reasonable grounds to suspect that a Person or owner or occupier of the land has contravened this By-law, they may issue a Work Order requiring the Person, owner or occupier of the land to correct or remedy the contravention.
2. The Work Order shall set out the reasonable particulars of the contravention adequate to identify the contravention, the location of the land on which the contravention occurred, and the date by which there must be compliance with the Work Order. The Work Order may also provide that if the Person, owner or occupier of the land fails to correct the contravention, the Corporation may perform the work to correct the contravention, at the expense of the Person or owner.

3. A Work Order may be served by:
 - a) personal service;
 - b) prepaid registered mail sent to the last known address of the Owner or Person, or as shown on the most recent records of the Corporation;
 - c) by email to the last known email address of the Owner or Person; or
 - d) prominently posting a copy of the Work Order either:
 - i. on the Property in respect of which the Work Order is made; or
 - ii. on any Structure on the Property.
4. A Work Order served in accordance with subsection 3.9.3 is considered to be served:
 - a) on the day of personal service or posting;
 - b) on the fifth (5th) business day after the day of mailing if served by registered mail;
 - c) on the day of sending if served by email, unless the document was sent after 5:00 p.m., in which case service shall be deemed to have been made on the following day.
5. A Person, owner or occupier of the land who has been served with a Work Order shall comply with the requirements of the Work Order.
6. If a Person, owner or occupier of the land in receipt of a Work Order fails to correct the contravention referred to in the Work Order by the date specified in the Work Order, the Corporation, in addition to all other remedies it may have, may enter onto the Owner's Property to do all work necessary to correct the contravention.
7. The Corporation's power to undertake remedial work to correct a contravention may be exercised by the Commissioner, or any Person under their direction.
8. The Corporation's actual costs incurred in conducting the work described in subsection 3.9.7., including any administration fees as set out in the Tariff of Fees By-law, shall be deemed to be a debt to the Corporation and may be collected by action or added to the tax roll and collected in the same manner as municipal taxes.
9. No proceeding for damages or otherwise shall be commenced against a member of Council or a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or a Person acting under the instructions of a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer, employee or agent for any act done in good faith in the performance or intended performance of a duty or authority under this By-law or

for any alleged neglect or default in the performance in good faith of the duty or authority.

3.10 Orders

1. If a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer has reasonable grounds to suspect that a Person has contravened this By-law, they may make an Order requiring that Person who caused or permitted the contravention, to discontinue the contravention.
2. An Order shall be served on a Person, or owner of the Property and such other Persons affected by it, as the Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer determines, and a copy of the Order may be posted on the Property.
3. An Order required by this By-law to be served in accordance with subsection 3.10.2. may be served:
 - a) in person;
 - b) by email to the last known email address of the Person to whom service is required to be made; or
 - c) by registered mail sent to the last known address of the Person to whom notice is to be given or to that Person's agent for service.
4. An Order served in accordance with subsection 3.10.3. is considered to be served:
 - a) on the day of personal service;
 - b) on the day of sending if served by email, unless the document was sent after 5:00 p.m., in which case service shall be deemed to have been made on the following day.
 - c) on the fifth (5th) business day after the day of mailing if served by registered mail;
5. No Person shall fail to comply with an Order issued by a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer under this By-law.

Article 4 - Dog Licensing, Care and Control

4.1 Dog Maximum

1. No Owner shall Keep, possess, or harbour or allow to be Kept, possessed or harboured on, at, or in any one Dwelling Unit more than three (3) Dogs, unless the Property is a licenced Kennel pursuant to the Kennel By-law, as amended.
2. An Owner of four (4) Dogs on the date this By-law is enacted shall be permitted to keep the four (4) Dogs owned at enactment of this By-law for the extent of

their lives provided that such Dog(s) are annually licensed with the Corporation.

3. No Person shall walk or transport more than six (6) Dogs at one time.
4. Every Person shall ensure effective Care and Control of a Dog(s) when walking or transporting Dog(s).

4.2 Dog Licensing

1. Every Owner of a Dog who resides in the City of Richmond Hill shall obtain an annual licence for each Dog within thirty (30) days of acquisition of the Dog and every year thereafter in accordance with section 4.2.
2. Every Owner of a Dangerous Dog shall obtain an annual Dangerous Dog licence for each Dangerous Dog upon the issuance of a Dangerous Dog Notice and shall obtain a Dangerous Dog license every year thereafter in accordance with section 4.2.
3. Every Owner obtaining a Dog licence shall pay the applicable non-refundable fee as set out in the Tariff of Fees By-law, and complete a registration form providing requested information and Proof as determined by the Director.
4. Upon payment of the licence fee, the Corporation will issue the Owner a Tag.

4.3 Service Animal Exemption

1. The Owner of a Service Animal shall ensure that such Animal is licensed, however no license fee is imposed for a Service Animal. The Owner may be required to prove satisfactorily that the Animal is a Service Animal.

4.4 Dog Tag Requirements

1. The Owner shall affix the Tag on the collar of the Dog for which the licence was issued, and ensure the Dog wears such Tag at all times.
2. No Owner shall affix a Tag upon a Dog other than the Dog for which the Tag was issued.
3. The Owner shall forthwith replace a lost or stolen Tag by purchasing a replacement Tag.
4. The Owner shall contact the Corporation to report any change of ownership status or information for the Dog within forty-eight (48) hours of the change, such as but not limited to:
 - (a) a change of address;
 - (b) they no longer own the Dog; or
 - (c) the Dog is deceased.

4.5 Working Dog – Guard or Security Dog Notice Requirement

1. No Person shall use or permit the use of a Working Dog as a guard or security Dog on a commercial or industrial Property unless a sign is prominently posted at every entrance containing a warning that a Working Dog is on Property.

Article 5 – Dangerous Dogs

5.1 Dangerous Dog Designation and Notice

1. No Owner shall permit a Dog to Bite, Attack, or Menace another Person or Domestic Animal.
2. Where a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer has reasonable grounds to believe a Dog is a Dangerous Dog, a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer shall serve the Owner with a Dangerous Dog Notice.
3. Every Dangerous Dog Notice shall include:
 - a) a statement that a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer has reason to believe that the Dog is a Dangerous Dog;
 - b) the restrictions that the Owner must comply with in accordance with section 5.2, and when such restrictions take effect; and
 - c) a statement that the Owner may request a hearing with respect to the Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer's designation of the Dog as a Dangerous Dog and the restrictions with which the Owner must comply with, by providing a written request to the Director within ten (10) business days of receiving such Dangerous Dog Notice and paying the applicable hearing fee as prescribed by the Tariff of Fees By-law.
 - d) A statement that a request for a hearing does not act as a stay of the Dangerous Dog Notice, nor its prescribed restrictions.
4. Where the Owner of a Dog who receives a Dangerous Dog Notice from a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer requests a hearing, a Hearing Officer shall hold a hearing pursuant to the provisions of the *Statutory Powers Procedure Act, RSO 1990, c S.22*, and the Hearing Officer may:
 - a) Affirm, or rescind the Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer's designation of the Dog; or
 - b) Vary and or substitute the restrictions in accordance with a recommendation of a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer.
5. The decision of the Hearing Officer is final.
6. The restrictions contained in the Dangerous Dog Notice pursuant to section 5.2 are effective immediately upon the Dangerous Dog Notice being received by the Owner and this designation continues for the life of the Dangerous Dog, unless amended by a Hearing Officer pursuant to subsection 5.1.4.
7. Any Dangerous Dog Notice served on the Owner by a Municipal By-law

Enforcement Officer shall be provided by hand delivery or prepaid registered mail service. In the event of hand delivery, the Dangerous Dog Notice shall be deemed to be received immediately, and in the event of service by prepaid registered mail service, shall be deemed to be received five (5) business days after the date of mailing.

8. Where a Dog was designated as a Dangerous Dog prior to the enactment of this By-law, that Dangerous Dog Notice shall remain in full force and shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

5.2 Dangerous Dog Restrictions

1. Upon receiving a Dangerous Dog Notice, the Owner of the Dangerous Dog shall comply with the restrictions set out subsection 5.2.2, which shall be contained in the Dangerous Dog Notice.
2. A Dangerous Dog Notice shall contain the following restrictions and requirements:
 - a) the Dangerous Dog is Kept on the Property of its Owner either;
 - i. within the Owner's Dwelling Unit and under the Care and Control of an adult Person; or
 - ii. confined in a fenced in area or Enclosure that prevents the Dangerous Dog from escaping or causing harm to any Person on or near the Property.
 - b) when the Dangerous Dog is not confined to the Owner's Dwelling Unit or Property;
 - i. the Dangerous Dog has a Muzzle securely attached, and
 - ii. the Dangerous Dog is under the Care and Control of an adult Person and on a leash that is of sufficient strength to hold the Dangerous Dog in place at all times;
 - c) the Dangerous Dog is Spayed or Neutered and that Proof of this is provided to the Director forthwith which may include a formal document, receipt, or certificate issued by a licensed veterinarian;
 - d) a "beware of dog" sign is conspicuously posted on the Owner's Property, and at every entrance to the Dwelling Unit;
 - e) the Dangerous Dog does not enter any designated Off Leash Dog Areas pursuant to the Park Use By-law No. 19-22;
 - f) that a Valid Microchip Implant is inserted in the Dangerous Dog within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the Dangerous Dog Notice, and that the Owner's name and contact information is current and accessible, and that Proof of the Valid Microchip Implant is provided to the Director forthwith, which may include a formal document, receipt, or certificate issued by a licensed veterinarian;

- g) a Dangerous Dog license is purchased annually in accordance with subsection 4.2.2 of this By-law, and Dog Tag is attached to the collar of the Dangerous Dog at all times;
 - h) compliance with any other requirement imposed by the Director;
 - i) provide the following information to the Director:
 - i. the new address and telephone number of the Owner within (2) business days of relocating or moving the Dangerous Dog to a different address;
 - ii. notice within two (2) business days of the death of the Dangerous Dog;
 - iii. provide notice forthwith if the Dangerous Dog is running at large or has Bitten or Attacked any Person or Domestic Animal.
3. If the Owner of a Dangerous Dog is unable or unwilling to abide by the restrictions contained in the Dangerous Dog Notice, the Owner shall surrender the Dangerous Dog into the custody of the Municipal Animal Shelter.

5.3 Reclaiming a Dangerous Dog

1. Where a Dangerous Dog has been impounded for any reason, a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer shall not restore the Dangerous Dog to its Owner or to any other Person unless:
- a) the Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer determines the Person seeking to reclaim the Dangerous Dog is sufficiently aware of and in compliance with the provisions of section 5.2;
 - b) the Owner seeking to reclaim the Dangerous Dog has paid any applicable fees in accordance with the Tariff of Fees By-law and as required by the Municipal Animal Shelter; and
 - c) the Owner is in compliance with any other conditions that have been imposed.

5.4 Transfer of an Order

1. At the discretion of the Director, any Owner who has been ordered to muzzle a dog in another municipality, upon taking residence in the City of Richmond Hill, shall be required to obtain a Dangerous Dog license as provided for in section 5.2, and shall comply with the restrictions set out in section 5.2.
2. For the purposes of subsection 5.4.1, the Director shall provide notice of the restrictions as set out in section 5.2.

Article 6 – Cat Licensing, Care and Control

6.1 Cat Maximum

1. No Owner shall Keep, possess or harbour or allow to be Kept, possessed or harboured on, at, or in any one Dwelling Unit more than four (4) Cats, unless the property is a licensed Kennel pursuant to the Kennel By-law, as amended.
2. Any Owner who owns 5 or 6 Cats on the date this By-law is enacted shall be permitted to keep the Cats owned at enactment of this By-law for the extent of their lives, provided that such Cats are annually licensed with the Corporation.

6.2 Cat Licensing

1. As of June 1, 2025, following the enactment of this By-law, every Owner of a Cat who resides in the City of Richmond Hill shall obtain an annual licence for each Cat within thirty (30) days of acquisition and every year thereafter in accordance with section 6.2.
2. Every Owner obtaining a Cat licence shall pay the applicable non-refundable fee as set out in the Tariff of Fees By-law and complete a registration application and provide the required information and Proof as determined by the Director.
3. Upon payment of the licence fee, the Corporation will issue the Owner a Tag.

6.3 Cat Tag Requirements:

1. The Owner shall affix the Tag on the collar of the Cat for which the license was issued, and ensure the Cat wears such Tag at all times.
2. No Owner shall affix a Tag upon a Cat other than the Cat for which the Tag was issued.
3. The Owner shall forthwith replace a lost or stolen Tag by purchasing a replacement Tag.
4. The Owner shall contact the Corporation to report any change of ownership status or information for the Cat within forty-eight (48) hours of the change, such as but not limited to:
 - (a) a change of address;
 - (b) they no longer own the Cat; or
 - (c) the Cat is deceased.

Article 7 – Animals Trespassing

7.1 Animal Trespassing

1. No Owner who Keeps, harbours or possesses any Animal shall allow it to be at large or trespass on any private and or public Property.

2. For the purposes of this section, a Dog shall be deemed to be at large if:
 - a) it is found on any Property where consent has not been given by the Property owner, or not within an area designated as an “Off Leash Dog Area” pursuant to the Park Use By-law No. 19-22;
 - b) it is not on a leash which provides effective Care and Control when not on the Owner’s Property or within a building or Dwelling Unit.
3. For the purposes of this section, a Cat shall be deemed to be at large if it is found in any place other than the Property of its Owner and is not under the effective Care and Control of its Owner.

7.2 Impounding Animals

1. Any Animal found at large or trespassing, may be seized by a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer, and taken to the Municipal Animal Shelter where such Animal may be impounded and held for a period of three (3) business days.
2. If any Animal so seized and impounded is not claimed at the expiration of the three-day period, the Municipal Animal Shelter may at their discretion, sell such Animal.
3. For the purpose of subsection 7.2.1, the period of three (3) business days shall not include the day on which the Animal is seized.
4. The Municipal Animal Shelter shall keep a record of all Animals seized and impounded.

7.3 Claiming Impounded Animals

1. Any Owner claiming an Animal which has been seized and impounded shall be entitled to recover the Animal from the Municipal Animal Shelter upon payment of impoundment fees as set out by the Municipal Animal Shelter, and reimbursement of any costs incurred by the Corporation.
2. No Person shall regain possession of a Dog or Cat from the Municipal Animal Shelter without producing Proof of a valid licence purchased for said Dog or Cat.

Article 8 – Care of Animals

8.1 Basic Care

1. Every Owner who Keeps, harbours, or possesses an Animal shall provide the Animal with a clean and sanitary environment free from an accumulation of fecal matter, with adequate and appropriate care, food, water, shelter, warmth, opportunity for physical activity, attention, veterinary care as may be required, and

an environment that is appropriate to meet the physical and behavioral needs of the species.

8.2 Enclosure requirements

1. Every Owner shall ensure an Enclosure used to shelter any Animal is at all times:
 - a) structurally sound and in good working order;
 - b) is weather-proof as to protect against the elements and Extreme Weather;
 - c) provides adequate insulation, ventilation and lighting;
 - d) kept in a clean and sanitary condition;
 - e) protected such that the Animal contained would not be harmed, and its health would not be negatively affected for the reason of being placed in such an Enclosure;
 - f) not exposed to noxious odours, lights or sounds;
 - g) escape-proof, except for doghouses that are contained within a secure Enclosure such as a fully fenced yard;
 - h) located not less than 1.52 metres (5 feet) from the Property line; and
 - i) of adequate size and in a condition such that the animal may extend its legs, wings and body to its full natural extent, stand, sit, perch, turn around and lie down.

8.3 Tethering Requirements

1. Every Owner who Tethers an Animal shall ensure:
 - a) that the Tether is not less than three (3) metres (9.8 feet) in length;
 - b) the Tether allows for the full range of motion for an Animal; and
 - c) the Tether does not cause harm or injury or Distress to the Animal.
 - d) the Animal has access to water and shelter while Tethered.

8.4 Unattended and Abandoned Animals

1. The Owner of an Animal left unattended in a motor vehicle shall ensure that:
 - a) the Animal is restrained in a manner that prevents physical contact between the Animal and any member of the public;
 - b) the Animal has suitable ventilation; and
 - c) the Animal is not exposed to extreme temperatures which can cause Distress and/or death.
2. No Owner shall permit or cause their Animal to be abandoned. For the purposes of this section, an abandoned Animal shall include but is not limited to:

- a) an Animal left in the Care and Control of another Person that is not retrieved by the Owner by the agreed upon date; or
- b) an Animal that is left at a vacant private Property or any public Property.

8.5 Extreme Weather

1. No Owner shall permit their Animal to remain outdoors during Extreme Weather events where such weather events cause Distress to the Animal.

8.6 Excrement

1. Every Owner of an Animal shall immediately remove and dispose of any excrement left by their Animal on any Property. The Owner shall dispose of the excrement in a proper refuse receptacle.
2. Subsection 8.6.1. shall not apply to Owners of Working Dogs or Service Animals while these Animals are engaged in their duties.

8.7 Unspayed Female Confinement

1. Every Owner of an Animal that has not been Spayed shall, during each period that the Animal is in heat, keep the Animal confined so as to not attract other Animals.

8.8 Animal Entertainment

1. No Person shall allow an Animal to be used for the purposes of any exhibit, public show, circus, rodeo, carnival or other display or act of entertainment which causes Distress to the Animal.
2. Animals used in professionally produced films and Kept temporarily during active filming shall adhere to the following conditions:
 - a) the exhibitor or the Owner of such Animals is a member of, and accredited by either the Canadian Association of Zoos and Aquaria (CAZA) or the American Zoo and Aquarium Association, or is otherwise licensed by an appropriate authority;
 - b) such Animals have been inspected and approved by the Provincial Animal Welfare Services (PAWS) or successor, or Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer, seven (7) business days prior to the exhibit or performance;
 - c) such Animals are used or Kept in an Enclosure which has protective devices that are adequate to prevent such Animal from escaping or injuring the public;

- d) such Animals are provided with a species-appropriate living environment while in the City of Richmond Hill; and
- e) Municipal By-law Enforcement Officers may enter upon such areas at any reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out inspections to determine compliance with this By-law.

8.9 Animal Breeding

1. No Person shall intentionally breed any Dog, or Cat, or other Animal unless they are a licensed Kennel pursuant to the Kennel By-law.

Article 9 – Livestock

9.1 Keeping Livestock

1. No Person shall Keep, harbour or cause to be kept any Livestock unless the use is permitted pursuant to lands zoned for agriculture and/or farming use.
2. In addition to the requirements as stated in subsection 9.1.1, every Owner shall ensure:
 - a) If a suspected Livestock infectious disease is diagnosed, the Livestock or Animal promptly receives care by a qualified veterinarian, and if the infectious disease is confirmed, the Corporation is notified forthwith;
 - b) Every Owner or custodian of a horse, cow, bull, steer, calf or sheep shall ensure that each such Animal has a current rabies vaccination in accordance with *Ontario Regulation R.R.O. 1990, 567, Rabies Immunization*, as amended, or its successor regulations, and
 - c) A dead farm Animal must be disposed of by a method set out in Section 8 of *Ontario Regulation 106/09 Disposal of Dead Farm Animals*, as amended or its successor regulation, within forty-eight (48) hours of its death.

Article 10 – Wildlife

10.1 Wildlife Keeping and Handling

1. No Person shall Keep, harbour, or possess Wildlife;
2. No Person shall relocate or Disturb Wildlife or the natural habitat of Wildlife on Public Property unless otherwise authorized by the Corporation or another government entity.
3. No Person shall injure, maim, kill, Harass or have their Animal injure, maim, or kill, or Harass any Wildlife unless provoked.

10.2 Wildlife Feeding

1. No Person shall feed Wildlife or leave food or Attractants on any Property in such a manner as to attract or be accessible by Wildlife.
2. Subsection 10.2.1. does not apply to:
 - a) A Property owner who uses food or Attractants as a trap to capture a sick or injured Animal on their Property for the purposes of transferring it to a qualified wildlife rehabilitation clinic;
 - b) A licensed animal trapper or pest control agency;
 - c) A Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer in the performance of their duties; or
 - d) A bird feeder in compliance with the Clean Neighbourhoods By-law No. 63-24.

10.3 Wildlife Trapping

1. No Person shall use a killer, leg-hold or snare trap to capture Wildlife unless specifically authorized by, and under the supervision of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and in accordance with the provisions of the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act 1997*, S.O. 1997, c. 41.
2. Permitted traps shall be checked daily, and no Person shall cause Wildlife to remain in a trap for any extended period of time that may cause Distress to the trapped Animal.

Article 11 – Pigeon Keeping

11.1 Pigeon Keeping

1. No Person shall Keep any pigeon listed in Schedule “A” of this By-law unless they are a member in good standing of a recognized pigeon club which has, as its sole purpose, racing, showing, or sporting pigeons, and proof of which has been provided to the satisfaction of the Commissioner.
2. No pigeon Owner shall permit any pigeons to nest, perch, stray, or feed upon any Property other than the Owner’s Property.
3. No Person shall keep more pigeons than would be permitted by the most restrictive of the following provisions:
 - a) one (1) pigeon for every 0.185 m² (2 sq ft) of loft area being a raised shelter or building where pigeons are kept;
 - b) one (1) pigeon for every 0.093 m² (1 sq ft) of cage area;
 - c) one (1) pigeon for every 9.290 m² (100 sq ft) of Property area; or
 - d) twenty-five (25) pigeons in total.

4. In addition to the requirements as stated in subsections 11.1.1 and 11.1.2, every Owner shall ensure pigeons suspected to have an infectious Disease are diagnosed promptly by a qualified veterinarian, and if the infectious diseases is confirmed, the Corporation is notified forthwith.

Article 12 – Animal Keeping Restrictions

12.1 Animal Keeping Restrictions

1. No Person shall Keep, harbour or cause to be Kept within the City of Richmond Hill, any Animal:
 - a) other than an Animal listed in Schedule 'A'; or
 - b) that is:
 - i. prohibited or designated as protected or endangered pursuant to a provincial, or federal law;
 - ii. venomous or poisonous;
 - iii. classified as Wildlife;
 - iv. not permitted pursuant to any City Zoning By-law;
 - v. an exotic animal that is not adapted to the City's climate, environment, nor suited for residential Keeping; or
 - vi. not derived from a self-sustaining captive population.
2. Any Person who, prior to enactment of this By-law, has Kept an Animal not listed in Schedule "A" of this By-law may apply in writing to the Director for permission to continue to Keep the Animal for the remainder of its life by providing Proof to the City that the Animal was lawfully owned prior to, or within 90 days of, this By-law's enactment, to the satisfaction of the Director provided that Animal is not an Animal described in paragraph (b) of subsection 12.1.1.
3. In determining whether to permit a Person to continue to Keep an Animal not listed in Schedule "A", the Director will consider the following criteria:
 - a) the Animal's welfare is not compromised when Kept within a Dwelling Unit;
 - b) the Animal does not cause a nuisance such as but not limited to noise, smell, and potential for Property damage;
 - c) the Animal is not a threat to public safety or the natural environment;
 - d) the Animal's specific physiological and behavioral needs can be met; and
 - e) any other relevant criteria identified by the Director.
4. The Director may impose terms and conditions on the continuation of the Keeping of any Animal and the Owner shall abide by those terms and conditions.
5. If the Director is not satisfied that the Animal was lawfully Owned prior to the enactment of this By-law, determines the Animal does not sufficiently meet the criteria outlined in subsection 12.1.3. or the Owner fails to meet the terms and conditions pursuant to subsection 12.1.4, the Director shall refuse to permit a Person to continue to Keep the Animal, and the Owner shall surrender the Animal to the Municipal Animal Shelter.

6. The Owner shall contact the City to report any change of ownership status for any Animal permitted to be continued to be Kept pursuant to this Article 12 within forty-eight (48) hours of the change, which includes but is not limited to:
 - (a) a change of address or location;
 - (b) they no longer own the Animal; or
 - (c) the Animal is deceased.

12.2 Maximum Pet Limits

1. In addition to the maximum Dog and Cat limitations as set out in subsections 4.1.1 and 6.1.1 of this By-law, no Person shall Keep, possess, or harbour or allow to be Kept, possessed or harboured on, at, or in any one Dwelling Unit more than a combination of seven (7) permitted Animals.
2. A Person in contravention of subsection 12.2.1. shall surrender the excess Animals to the Municipal Animal Shelter upon direction of a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer.
3. Subsection 12.2.1. shall not apply to:
 - a) pigeons that are Kept in accordance with Article 11; and
 - b) permitted fish listed in Schedule "A" of this By-law.

12.3 Exemptions

1. Sections 12.1. and 12.2. do not apply to:
 - a) an animal hospital or clinic which is lawfully operated and supervised by a veterinarian licensed by the Ontario Veterinary Association;
 - b) premises registered as research facilities under the *Animals for Research Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A.22*, as amended, or the employees of such facility, during the course of their duties;
 - c) Livestock that are Kept in accordance with Article 9; and
 - d) the premises or an affiliate branch of a Municipal Animal Shelter or the Provincial Animal Welfare Services.

Article 13 – Offences

13.1 Fines for Contravention

1. Every Person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Chapter is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine or penalty as provided for in the *Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.33*, as amended.

13.2 Continuing Offence

1. Where a Person is found to have been in contravention of any provision of this By-law, and the contravention has not been corrected, the contravention of the provision shall be deemed to be a continuing offence for each day that the contravention remains uncorrected.

13.3 Administrative Penalties

1. In lieu of laying a charge under the *Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.33* for a contravention of any provision of this By-law, a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer may issue a Penalty Notice to the Person(s) who has contravened this By-law in accordance with the service requirements of the Administrative Penalty By-law. For greater certainty, the Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer has the discretion to either proceed by way of an administrative penalty or a charge laid under the *Provincial Offences Act*. If an administrative penalty is issued to a Person(s) for the contravention, no charge shall be laid against that same Person(s) for the same contravention.
2. A Person served with a Penalty Notice shall be liable to pay to the Corporation an administrative penalty in the amount specified in Schedule "A" of the Administrative Penalty By-law. An administrative penalty for a contravention of this By-law that is not paid within fifteen (15) days after the day it becomes due and payable, shall be subject to administrative fees as set out in the Tariff of Fees By-law and shall constitute a debt of the Person to the Corporation, and may be added to a municipal tax roll and collected in the same manner as municipal taxes for which all owners are responsible to pay.
3. A Person who is issued a Penalty Notice shall be subject to the procedures as provided for in the Administrative Penalty By-law.

13.4 Procedures

1. A Person who is issued a Penalty Notice shall be subject to the procedures as provided for in the Administrative Penalty By-law.

Schedule 'A' – Positive Pets List

Except for any Animal that was Kept prior to enactment of this By-law and is permitted by the Director pursuant to Article 12, provided an Animal is not:

- a) prohibited or designated as protected or endangered pursuant to a provincial, or federal law;
- b) venomous or poisonous;
- c) classified as Wildlife;
- d) prohibited pursuant to any City Zoning By-law;
- e) an exotic animal that is not adapted to the City's climate, environment, nor suited for residential Keeping, or
- f) derived from a self-sustaining captive population;

and further subject to the regulations in this by-law, any Animal listed in the table below may be Kept in the City of Richmond Hill.

Common Name	Scientific Name
Mammals	Mammalia
Carnivore	Carnivora
Domesticated Dog	Canis lupus familiaris
Domesticated Cat	Felis catus
Domesticated Ferret	Mustela putorius furo
Hedgehogs	Erinaceidae
African Pygmy Hedgehog	Atelerix albiventris
Rabbits	Lagomorpha
European Rabbit	Oryctolagus cuniculus
Rodents	Rodentia
Guinea Pig	Cavia porcellus
Chinchilla	Chinchilla lanigera
Gerbil	Meriones unquiculatus
Hamster	Mesocricetus auratus
House Mouse	Mus musculus
Norway (Common, Brown) Rat	Rattus norvegicus
Black (Roof, White Laboratory) Rat	Rattus rattus
Bushy-tailed Jird	Sekeetamys calurus
Birds	Aves
Pigeons	Columbidae
Domestic pigeons in accordance with Article 11	Columba livia domestica

Common Name	Scientific Name
Birds	Aves
Pigeons	Columbidae
Diamond Doves in accordance with Article 11	<i>Geopelia cuneata</i>
Ring-necked Doves in accordance with Article 11	<i>Streptopelia capicola</i>
Ringed Turtle-Dove/Ringneck Doves in accordance with Article 11	<i>Streptopelia risoria</i>
Finches	Estrildidae
Cut-throat Finch	<i>Amadina fasciata</i>
Strawberry Finch (Red Avadavat or Red Munia)	<i>Amandava amandava</i>
Red-headed Parrot-Finch	<i>Erythrura cyanovirens</i>
Gouldian Finch/Lady Gould's	<i>Erythrura gouldiae</i>
Blue-headed (Blue-faced) Parrot-Finch	<i>Erythrura trichroa</i>
Crimson-rumped Waxbill	<i>Estrilda rhodopyga</i>
Bronze Mannikin or Hooded Weaver	<i>Lonchura cucullata</i>
White-headed Munia	<i>Lonchura maja</i>
Chestnut Mannikin/Tricolored Munia	<i>Lonchura malacca</i>
Nutmeg Mannikin or Scaly-breasted Mannikin	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>
Society Finch	<i>Lonchura striata domestica</i>
Star Finch	<i>Neochmia ruficauda</i>
Long tailed Grassfinch	<i>Poephila acuticauda acuticauda</i>
Heck's Grassfinch	<i>Poephila acuticauda hecki</i>
Masked Grassfinch	<i>Poephila personata</i>
Melba Finch/Green-winged Pytilia	<i>Pytilia melba</i>
Diamond Firetail	<i>Stagonopleura guttata</i>
Red-eared firetail Finch	<i>Stagonopleura oculata</i>
Double-barred/Owl Finch	<i>Taeniopygia bichenovii</i>
Zebra Finch	<i>Taeniopygia guttata</i>
Red-cheeked Cordon-bleu	<i>Uraeginthus bengalus</i>
Blue-capped Cordon-bleu	<i>Uraeginthus cyanocephalus</i>
Purple Grenadier	<i>Uraeginthus ianthinogaster</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Birds	Aves
Finches	Fringillidae
European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis
Yellow Canary	Crithagra flaviventris
Fancy Canary	Serinus canaria
Perching Birds	Passeriformes
Plum-headed (Cherry/Crimson) Finch	Aidemosyne modesta
Sudan Golden Sparrow/Golden Song Sparrow	Passer luteus
Red-whiskered Bulbul	Pycnonotus jocosus
Village Indigobird/Steelblue Windowfinch	Vidua chalybeata
Parrots	Psittacidae
Only includes Budgerigars, Cockatiels, Conures, Lories, Lorikeets, Lovebirds, Parakeets and Parrotlets	
Fish	Vertebrata
Commonly traded, ornamental fishes (e.g. goldfish, betta fish, tetra fish) are allowed except for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saltwater fishes • Freshwater fishes that are not from self-sustaining captive populations • Freshwater fishes that are sourced from the wild, either directly or through intermediaries • Fishes that reach an adult length of 1 meter or more • Fishes identified by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency 	
Invertebrates	Invertebrata
Such as feeder crickets, mealworms, other worms, flies, cockroaches, etc.	Insecta various sp.

Common Name	Scientific Name
Reptiles	Reptilia
Lizards	Squamata
Mountain Horned Dragon	Acanthosaura Capra
Cat Gecko	Aeluroscalabotes felinus
Australian Velvet Gecko	Amalosia jacovae
Green Anole	Anolis carolinensis
Cuban Knight Anoles	Anolis equestris
Brown (Bahaman) Anole	Anolis sagrei
Green Basilisk	Basiliscus plumifrons
Central Fijian Banded Iguana	Brachylophus bulabula
Zebra-tailed Lizard	Callisaurus draconoides
Veiled Chameleon	Chamaeleo calyptratus
Crested Gecko	Correlophus ciliatus
Collared Lizard	Crotaphytus collaris
Pink Tongued Skink	Cyclodomorphus gerrardii
Leopard Gecko	Eublepharis macularius
Schneider's Skink	Eumeces schneiderii
Long-nosed Leopard Lizard	Gambelia wislizenii
Green Keeled Lizard	Gastropholis prasina
Green Eyed Gecko	Gekko smithii
Chinese Cave Gecko	Goniurosaurus hainanensis
Fat Tail Gecko	Hemitheconyx caudicinctus
Emerald Tree Skink	Lamprolepis smaragdina
Star Agama Lizard	Laudakia stellio
Curly-tailed Lizards	Leiocephalus spp.
Fire Skink	Lepidothyris fernandi
Cameroon Dwarf Gecko	Lygodactylus conraui
Chahoua Gecko	Mniarogekko chahoua
Lined Day Gecko	Phelsuma lineata
Asian Water Dragon	Physignathus cocincinus
Rankin's Dragon	Pogona henrylawsoni
Bearded Dragon	Pogona vitticeps

Common Name		Scientific Name	
Reptiles		Reptilia	
Lizards		Squamata	
Scorpion Tail Gecko		Pristurus carteri	
Gargoyle Gecko		Rhacodactylus auriculatus	
Painted Agama		Stellagama stellio	
Chuckwalla		Sauromalus ater	
Northern Spiny-Tailed Gecko		Strophurus ciliaris	
Halmahera Blue Tongue Skink		Tiliqua gigas gigas	
Northern Blue Tongue Skink		Tiliqua scincoides intermedia	
Jeweled Lacerta		Timon lepidus	
Yellow Saharan Uromastyx		Uromastyx geyri	
Spiny Tailed Monitor		Varanus Acanthurus	
Snakes		Serpentes	
Milk Snake		Lampropeltis triangulum	
King Snake		Lampropeltis getula	
Corn Snake		Pantherophis guttatus	
Ball Python		Python regius	