



### **Pet Rules & Violations – Westbury Park Residential Association, Inc.**

1. Owners of dogs in the community are required to follow Beaufort County and the State of South Carolina leash laws, which require that ***dogs must be kept on a leash at all times*** when outside of the owner's private property. While on the owner's private property, dogs must be under the control of their owners.
2. Owners are required to have all pets living in the community be properly vaccinated and licensed at all times.
3. No more than 3 dogs (or pets) per household unit.
4. All owners are legally responsible for all pets, including visiting pets of their guest. Owners are legally responsible for all actions of their pets, including but not limited to any pet-related injuries, all damages\* or disturbances\*\*.  
 \*Damages include any property, including another owner's or the community's landscaping.  
 \*\* Disturbances include allowing or permitting a pet to bark, or howl in an excessive, unwarranted, and continuous or untimely fashion, or make other noise in such a manner as to result in a serious annoyance or interference with the reasonable use and enjoyment of neighboring premises.  
Disturbances also include any unsanitary conditions of owner's property or the property of others by an owner's pet that result in offensive odors and endangers to the public health or the welfare or safety of the pet.
5. The owner of any dog that attacks or bites a person is legally liable for all damages, and the person (or parent/guardian of a minor) attacked or bitten, or the attending medical professional providing evaluation and treatment, must report it to County Health Department within a 24hour period, as well as to the WPRA Association Manager. If no physician attends to the bite, the person bitten (or parent/guardian of a minor) must report it (as detailed above) before the end of the next working day. The Association's Board of Directors and Association Manager must review all reports and details, and as warranted, and vote to consider removal of the dog from the Community.
6. Owner of a dog that attacks another pet may be legally responsible for all associated veterinarian costs. The owner of the injured pet may seek reimbursement, as necessary, but the Association is not liable for any related costs.

#### Association Fines & Actions:

- First offense: \$250 fine by the Association, and owner must take the dog to mandatory obedience training. Proof that training was provided must be provided to the WPRA Association Manager within a reasonable period of time following the incident.
- Second offense: \$500 fine by the Association, and the dog must undergo evaluation by a certified or licensed dog training professional. Note: if the incident is severe, the WPRA Association Manager can recommend that the WPRA Association Board of Directors review and vote to consider removal of the dog from the community.
- Third offense: \$1,000 fine by the Association and the dog must be removed from the community immediately.
- Note: Additional County or State penalties may also apply.