

The Animal Control Officer's (ACO) focus is to enforce the Town of Marlboro Dog Ordinance and to make sure dogs are properly licensed and not causing problems in the Town of Marlboro.

The Animal Control Officer has the following specific duties:

- Respond to complaints about dogs in alleged violation of the Dog Ordinance within the town of Marlboro.
- Apprehend and transport domestic dogs in a safe and humane manner to the designated pound.
- Investigate all animal complaints and nuisances relating to dogs and use problem-solving skills to assist in these situations and if necessary, report problem or vicious dogs (including animal bites) to the proper authorities.
- Maintain records and prepare reports of reported incidences.
- Communicate and coordinate with Town Clerk on violations and the result of any investigations and penalties as they apply to licensing procedures and work with Town Clerk annually for any unlicensed dogs.
- Develop and implement procedures where necessary with Selectboard oversight.
- Ongoing communication with animal owners, local vets, Town Clerk's Office, Town Administrator's Office, and local kennels.
- In a potentially dangerous situation (i.e., rabid dog or belligerent owner), work with the Sheriff's Office to ensure the safety of the ACO and the populace of Marlboro.
- **When issue involves wildlife refer residents to the local Game Warden Kelly Price (802) 257-7101 or (802) 380-3723**
- Provide recommendations and/or resources for other domestic animal issues.
- **Is NOT responsible for trapping and transporting wild, feral, or stray animals, including cats.**

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