

CHARTER ON THE PROPER CONDUCT FOR HOUSEHOLD PET OWNERS

A pet owner agrees, in taking possession of a pet ID tag, to comply with current regulations and with the Charter on the Proper Conduct for Household Pet Owners, which is presented below and which is designed to respect the lives of the Verdun Borough's household pets.

1. A pet owner agrees to make sure that his/her pet always has:
 - 1° clean drinking water and food in sufficient quantities to enable it to grow in a healthy way and maintain a healthy weight
 - 2° clean bowls of food and water, disinfected and laid out so as to avoid any contamination with animal droppings
 - 3° the opportunity for sufficient exercise to maintain good health
 - 4° the necessary care and treatment by a veterinarian, when the animal shows signs of pain, injury, illness or suffering
 - 5° an environment free from all objects that may cause injuries to any animal or any person, any animal droppings, odours, garbage, anything that may put an animal in danger or cause any risk to its health or any person as well as any condition that might be detrimental to comfort or enjoyment of life
 - 6° living conditions and rearing adapted to its needs, breed or species
 - 7° a safe collar preventing the animal from strangling itself

2. A pet owner also agrees not to:
 - 1° tie his/her pet to a fixed object with a choke collar
 - 2° tie an animal on grounds where the pet owner's dwelling is located, unless that owner is present at all times. Moreover, the grounds must be free from any objects that may cause injuries to the animal, from animal droppings, odours, garbage and anything that may place the animal in danger or cause any risk to its health
 - 3° tie an animal to a tree or urban furniture without anyone watching over it
 - 4° confine an animal in a limited space, such as a car, without proper ventilation and without any shady area allowing the animal to protect itself from the direct rays of the sun
 - 5° let a household cat go outside once it has been declawed
 - 6° let a household cat go outside when the outdoor temperature is below -12°C, including the wind-chill factor
 - 7° mistreat, molest, harass or provoke an animal or show any cruelty toward it
 - 8° subject an animal to exercise nor to any intense or excessive activity likely to put the animal in danger
 - 9° train his/her animal in such a way as to make it aggressive or to prompt it to take part in dog fights