DOG CONTROL ORDINANCE

Town of Frye Island
Cumberland County
State of Maine

Chapter 117 -- Dog Control Ordinance

[HISTORY: Adopted Town Meeting 10/6/07, Article 17] Amended Town Meeting 10/8/16

§117-1 Purpose:

The purpose of this ordinance is to control dogs throughout the Town of Frye Island in the interest of health, safety and general welfare of its residents. To amend the current policy to read:

DOGS LEASHED: A leash shall be used to restrain a dog when (a) walking with a responsible party on public roads in the Town of Frye Island, or (b) specified areas below, (c) if the responsible party is ordered by the Animal Control Officer or a law enforcement officer to leash the dog. The owner of any dog found in violation of this section will be subject to the civil penalties provided in the Ordinance.

- Golf Course, Public Buildings, Marina, Ball Park, Store/Ferry Landing, Pool Area

Amend Existing ordinance to: state:

It shall be a violation of this chapter for any person who owns a dog or anyone having a dog under his or her control to fail to immediately remove and lawfully dispose of any feces left by the dog on any of the public beaches on Frye Island, or any other public property.

§117-2 Violations:

- Barking dogs: No person shall own, keep or harbor any dog which, by loud, frequent or habitual barking, howling or yelping, shall disturb the peace of any person or persons for more than 30 minutes.

- Dogs running at large: No person shall allow a dog to run at large. At large shall be defined as "off the premises of the owner and not under the control of
any person whose presence and attention would reasonably control the conduct of the dog."

- Dangerous dogs: A dog which bites a human being in an unprovoked situation shall be considered a dangerous dog and defined as such per state animal welfare laws.
- Beaches: No person shall allow a dog on any of the public beaches on Frye Island between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

It shall be a violation of this chapter for any person who owns a dog, or anyone having a dog under his or her control, to fail to immediately remove and lawfully dispose of any feces left by the dog on any of the public beaches on Frye Island.

§117-3 Enforcement:

- Any person, who shall violate the provisions of this ordinance, shall upon the first occasion thereof, be given a written warning, which shall include the date and time it was issued.
- Upon conviction of any subsequent violations within a period of six (6) months from such warning, the person found to be in violation shall be punished by a civil penalty according to the following schedule:
  - First Offence $50.00
  - Second Offence $100.00
  - Third and Subsequent Offences $200.00

Any Police Officer, Animal Control Officer, Cumberland County Sheriff or Constable within the Town of Frye Island shall have the authority to enforce this ordinance.

§117-4 Impounding:

Any Police Officer, Animal Control Officer, Cumberland County Sheriff, or Constable within the Town of Frye Island may seize, impound, or restrain any dog violating this ordinance or State law.

Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect when enacted.