

**§ 90.08 INOCULATION AGAINST RABIES.**

Every owner of a dog, cat or ferret four months of age or older, shall each year cause the dog, cat or ferret to be inoculated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian. However, if the vaccine used is one recognized by the State Department of Agriculture, for a three-year period of immunity and is properly administered, the interval between inoculations may be extended to three years. At the time as new rabies vaccines are recognized or revisions in recommendations are made by the State Department of Agriculture, the Administrator may issue a directive authorizing their implementation.

(1980 Code, § 90.08) (Res. 99-61, adopted 2-18-1999; Res. 06-122, adopted 3-16-2006) Penalty, see § 90.99

**§ 90.11 EVIDENCE OF INOCULATION AGAINST RABIES.**

Every owner of a dog, cat or ferret four months of age or older shall provide the dog, cat or ferret with a collar or harness and attach thereto the official county rabies tag which shall be worn by the dog, cat or ferret at all times.

(1980 Code, § 90.11) (Res. 99-61, adopted 2-18-1999; Res. 06-122, adopted 3-16-2006) Penalty, see § 90.99

**§ 90.12 AUTHORITY TO ASCERTAIN INOCULATION AGAINST RABIES AND REGISTRATION.**

The county animal control is hereby authorized to ascertain by observation and by inquiry of the animal owner if the dog, cat or ferret is inoculated against rabies and is registered.

(1980 Code, § 90.12) (Res. 99-61, adopted 2-18-1999; Res. 06-122, adopted 3-16-2006)

**§ 90.13 BITING ANIMAL; NOT INOCULATED AGAINST RABIES.**

(A) If any owner of a dog, cat or ferret four months of age or older, that has bitten any person or other animal, cannot furnish evidence that the dog, cat or ferret is currently inoculated against rabies, this shall constitute prima facie evidence that the owner is in violation of §§ 90.08 and 90.10 and subject to the penalties provided herein.

(B) The efficacy of rabies vaccine for fur bearing mammals and wild animals is not established; therefore, there is no observation period. When a fur bearing mammal or wild animal is involved in a bite, they should be humanely dispatched and their brain shall be submitted to a recognized laboratory for rabies examination, if applicable, by the Administrator or his or her agents.

(1980 Code, § 90.13) (Res. 99-61, adopted 2-18-1999; Res. 06-122, adopted 3-16-2006)