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§101. Definitions. As used in this Part, the following terms have the meaning indicated, unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context:

OWNER - any person having a right of property in any dog or having custody of any dog, or any person who harbors or permits a dog to remain on or around his or her property.

RUNNING AT LARGE - being upon any public highway, street, alley, park, or any other public land, or upon property of another person other than the owner, and not being accompanied by or under the control of the owner or any other person having custody of said dog.

(Ord. 68-9, 8/26/1968 as revised by Ord. 88-3, 10/17/1988)

§102. Unlawful to Allow Dogs to Run at Large. It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog or dogs to allow or permit such dog or dogs to run at large in the Borough of Shamokin Dam. (Ord. 68-9, 8/26/1968 as revised by Ord. 88-3, 10/17/1988)

§103. Seizing of Dogs. Any police officer or dog warden may seize any dog found at large in the Borough of Shamokin Dam. Such dogs are to be impounded in a licensed kennel. (Ord. 68-9, 8/26/1968 as revised by Ord. 88-3, 10/17/1988)

§104. Licensed Dogs. Owners of licensed dogs are to be notified by registered or certified mail, with return receipt, that the dog is impounded and will be disposed of in five days if not claimed. Five (5) days after the return receipt has been received, and the dog has not been claimed, the dog may be sold or destroyed in accordance with the 1982 Dog Law. (Ord. 68-9, 8/26/1968 as revised by Ord. 88-3, 10/17/1988)

§105. Unlicensed Dogs. Unlicensed dogs that are seized are to be held in such kennel for forth-eight (48) hours and if not claimed may be destroyed in accordance with the 1982 Dog Law. (Ord. 69-9, 8/26/1968 as revised by Ord. 88-3, 10/17/1988)

§106. Threatening Dogs. Dogs that, in the opinion of any police officer or dog warden, constitutes a threat to public health and welfare may be killed by the police or dog warden. (Ord. 68-9, 8/26/1968 as revised by Ord. 88-3, 10/17/1988)

§107. Penalty. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part 1 shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than three hundred (\$300.00) dollars and not more than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars, and in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not to exceed ninety (90) days. Every day that a violation of this Part 1 continues shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 68-9, 8/26/1968 as revised by Ord. 88-3, 10/17/1988; and by Ord. 2018-2, 5/7/2018, §2)

Part 2

Animal Defecation Control

§201. Animal Defecation on Public and Private Property Restricted. No person, having possession, custody or control of any animals, shall knowingly or negligently permit any dog or other animal to commit any nuisance, i.e. defecation upon any gutter, street, driveway, alley, curb or sidewalk in the Borough of Shamokin Dam or upon the floors or stairways of any building or place frequented by the public or used in common by the tenants, or upon the outside walls, walkways, driveways, alleys, curbs or stairways of any building abutting on a public street or park, or upon the grounds of any public park or public area, or upon any private property other than the property of the owner of such animal. (Ord. 86-7, 11/3/1986, §402.01)

§202. Disposal of Animal Feces. Any person having possession, custody or control of any dog or other animal which commits a nuisance, i.e. defecation in any area other than the private property of the owner or such dog or other animal, as prohibited in §201 shall be required to immediately remove any feces from such surface and either:

A. Carry same away for disposal in a toilet.

B. Place same in a nonleaking container for deposit in a trash or litter receptacle.
(Ord. 86-7, 11/3/1986, §402.02)

§203. Dogs Accompanying Blind or Handicapped Persons Exempted. The provisions of §§201 and 202 hereof shall not apply to a guide dog accompanying any blind persons, or to a dog used to assist any other physically handicapped person. (Ord. 86-7, 11/3/1986, §402.03)

§204. Penalty. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part 2 shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than three hundred (\$300.00) dollars and not more than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars, and in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not to exceed ninety (90) days. Every day that a violation of this Part 2 continues shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 86-7, 11/3/1986, §402.99; as amended by Ord. 88-3, 10/17/1988; and by Ord. 2018-2, 5/7/2018, §2)

