

Island of  Guernsey

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**The Stray Dogs (Amendment)  
Ordinance, 1979**

THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolution of the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven, hereby order:—

1. The Stray Dogs Ordinance, 1941, as amended<sup>(a)</sup>, is hereby further amended as follows:—

Amend-  
ments to  
Ordinance  
of 1941.

- (a) in subsection (1) of section one thereof the full stop at the end thereof is repealed and a colon is substituted therefor and immediately thereafter there is inserted the following proviso—

“Provided that subject to the provisions of the next succeeding subsection a dog detained under this subsection may be released to its owner without compliance with the requirement as to the pre-payment of the prescribed fee if a

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(a) Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome IX, p. 144 and Tome X, p. 315.

police officer not below the rank of Inspector is satisfied that there are special circumstances to justify the immediate release of the dog before payment of the prescribed fee.”;

and immediately thereafter there is inserted the following additional subsection numbered “(1A)”—

“Recovery of prescribed fee for detention of dogs. (1A) In any case where an owner of a dog shall have regained possession thereof after detention but before payment of the prescribed fee the appropriate fee may be recovered from the owner by the States as a civil debt.”;

(b) subsection (2) of section one thereof is repealed and the following subsections numbered “(2)”, “(2A)” and “(2B)” are substituted therefor—

“Prescribed fee for detention of dogs. (2) The prescribed fee payable to the Island Police Committee in respect of the detention of a dog under the provisions of subsection (1) of this section shall be as follows:—

- (a) where the dog is claimed on the day of seizure and before transfer to an establishment for the reception of stray dogs, the sum of two pounds;
- (b) where the dog is claimed after transfer to such an establishment, the sum of three pounds for transportation and the

sum of two pounds for each day or part of a day during which it shall have been detained.

Cost of  
veterinary  
treatment.

(2A) Where a dog which is detained under the provisions of subsection (1) of this section requires veterinary treatment, the reasonable cost of such treatment shall be payable by the owner of the dog to the Island Police Committee and such cost may be recovered from the owner by the States as a civil debt.

Prescribed  
fee for  
destruction  
of dogs.

(2B) The prescribed fee payable to the Island Police Committee in respect of the destruction of a dog under the provisions of subsections (5) or (6) of this section shall be five pounds.”;

- (c) in subsection (5) of section one thereof immediately after the words “as possible” the words “and in such case the prescribed fee in respect of its detention until the day of its destruction and in respect of its destruction may be recovered from the owner by the States as a civil debt” are inserted;
- (d) in subsection (6) of section one thereof all the words beginning with the words “and in such case” to the end of that section are repealed and the words “and in such case the prescribed fee in respect of its detention until the day of its destruction

and in respect of its destruction may be recovered from the owner of the dog by the States as a civil debt" are substituted therefor;

(e) in subsection (3) of section two thereof the words "forty shillings" are repealed and the words "twenty pounds" are substituted therefor.

Citation.           2. This Ordinance may be cited as the Stray Dogs (Amendment) Ordinance, 1979.

Collective title.    3. This Ordinance and the Stray Dogs Ordinances, 1941 and 1952, may be cited together as the Stray Dogs Ordinances, 1941 to 1979.

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