

# APPLICATION PIT BULL LICENSE

(New Application Fee - \$50 nonrefundable, plus One Pit Bull - \$100 annually;  
Two Pit Bulls - \$200 annually; Spayed or neutered - \$80 per dog annually)

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Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Address where dog will be kept: \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of dogs to be kept on premises: \_\_\_\_\_

Person responsible for  
care and confinement of dogs: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of method used to secure or restrain the dogs on the property:

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\_\_\_\_\_

Bond in the amount of \$50,000 posted with City to insure payment of any damages or injuries which may be caused by said pit bull(s). Separate bond for each pit bull. In lieu of bond, applicant may provide certificate from licensed insurer in State of Utah showing valid liability insurance in amount specified above. (Bond/certificate attached to application.)

Scale drawing showing exact location on property where dogs will be kept:

**3-7-116: Pit Bull Dogs.** (1) For purposes of this section, "pit bull" shall include:

(a) Any dog which exhibits those distinguishing characteristics which:

(i) substantially conform to the standards established by the American Kennel Club for American Staffordshire Terrier or Staffordshire Bull Terrier; or

(ii) substantially conform to the standards established by the United States Kennel Club for American Pit Bull Terrier.

(b) any dog displaying the majority of traits of any of the above breeds.

(c) any dog bred for fighting.

(d) technical deficiencies in a dog's conformance to the standards in paragraph (a) above shall not be construed to indicate that the subject dog is not a "pit bull" for purposes of this section.

(e) The standards of the American Kennel Club and United States Kennel Club referred to in paragraph (a) above shall be kept on file in the office of the City Recorder and at the police department.

(2) Pit bulls are considered dangerous dogs and potentially hazardous to the residents of the city. No pit bull shall at any time or under any circumstances be permitted to run loose within the city. Any pit bull running loose in the city shall be subject to restraint, confinement, impoundment, and destruction by any police officer or any other authorized agent of the city. It shall be the duty of any police officer or other authorized agent of the city to take whatever action is necessary under the circumstances to properly secure and restrain any loose pit bull, including the immediate destruction of the pit bull, and such officers and agents are hereby authorized to do so.

(3)(a) No person shall own, keep or harbor any pit bull over three (3) months of age in any household or residence, or upon any property within the city without first obtaining a Pit Bull Permit from the city.

(b) Application for a Pit Bull Permit shall be filed with the City Recorder and shall provide the following information: name of applicant; name of the owner of each pit bull to be kept at the location if different from the applicant; address where the dog or dogs will be kept; number of dogs to be kept or housed on the premises; a scale drawing showing the exact location on the property where the dogs will be kept; a description of the method used to secure or restrain the dogs on the property; name of the person who will be responsible for the care and confinement of the dog; and any other information requested by the City Recorder, Police Department, or Animal Control officer.

(c) Each application shall be accompanied by an application fee of \$50 which shall be nonrefundable. The fee shall be used by the city to cover the cost of processing the application and any inspection deemed necessary prior to issuing the Pit Bull Permit.

(d) A Pit Bull Permit shall be issued by the City Council or its duly authorized agent only after appropriate fees have been paid, the required bond or insurance has been posted and the applicant has fully complied with all applicable codes, statutes, ordinances, and regulations, including the city's zoning ordinances.

(e)(i) The annual fee for a Pit Bull Permit is as follows:

One pit bull, \$100;

Two pit bulls, \$200.

(ii) The application fee required by subsection (3)(c) shall be applied to the first year's permit fee. Each Pit Bull Permit shall expire on December 31 unless renewed prior to that date for the succeeding year by payment of the appropriate fee. If a permit expires, a new application must be filed as required by subsection (4)(b).

(iii) The fee for any Pit Bull Permit issued for a portion of a year shall be prorated as follows: If issued during first calendar quarter, full permit fee; if issued during second calendar quarter, three-fourths of the annual fee; if issued during third calendar quarter, one-half of the annual fee; if issued during the fourth calendar quarter, one-fourth of the annual fee.

(iv) The annual permit fee for any spayed or neutered pit bull shall be \$20 per dog less than the amount specified in paragraph (e)(i) above.

(f)(i) Any owner of a pit bull kept within the City shall provide evidence of financial responsibility and/or ability to respond in damages up to and including the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) for bodily injury to or death of any person or persons or for damage to property

caused by the owner's pit bull or which may result from the ownership of keeping of a pit bull within the city. Proof of ability to respond in damages may be evidenced by filing with the city a certificate of insurance from an insurance company authorized to do business in the state, stating the owner is and will be insured against liability to respond in damages up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) in damages or by posting other equivalent evidence of financial responsibility as approved by the city. A separate bond in that amount shall be posted for each pit bull which a person owns, keeps, or harbors within the city. Each such certificate shall contain a statement that it may be canceled by the insurer only upon thirty (30) days written notice to the City Recorder.

(g) If the applicant for a Pit Bull Permit, the holder of a Pit Bull Permit, or the owner or other person responsible for any pit bull kept within the city violates any provision of this section or any other applicable provision of this chapter, any permit issued hereunder shall be automatically revoked and the permit fee paid shall be retained by the city. The City Council or its authorized agent may refuse to issue or reissue a Pit Bull Permit to any person who has violated any provision of this section or any applicable statute, ordinance, or regulation.

(4)(a) Each pit bull shall be confined in a secured building or enclosure.

(b) An outside enclosure shall be considered secure only if:

(i) it is completely surrounded by a fence which extends from eighteen inches (18") below ground level to a height of six feet (6'); or

(ii) it is completely enclosed by a fence and covered by a roof or cage with adequate provision to prevent tunneling.

(c) A dwelling unit shall have an approved outside enclosure or fenced backyard with a fence which extends from eighteen inches (18") below ground to a height of six feet (6'). The Animal Control Officer may make reasonable variations to the above requirements and may impose other reasonable conditions which he determines to be necessary to prevent escape of a pit bull or unauthorized entry to the enclosure.

(d) All entrances to and exits from a property where a pit bull is confined shall have posted conspicuously by such entrance a warning sign of a size and type to be approved by the City Council or its authorized agent. The sign shall inform persons using that entrance or exit that a dangerous dog is located on the premises.

(e) Any pit bull which is removed from a dwelling unit or outside enclosure shall be securely leashed with a leash not to exceed six feet (6') in length and shall be under the direct control of an owner, eighteen years of age or older, at all times while within the City.

(f) All pit bull dogs shall be implanted with a pet identification microchip. The pet identification microchip scan data must be provided to the city before a pit bull permit can be issued or renewed.

(5) Any pit bull which bites or attacks a person for any reason shall be destroyed at the owner's expense or permanently removed from the city. If such a pit bull is not removed from the city or destroyed, it shall be subject to seizure and destruction by the city or its duly authorized agent.

(6) A kennel license shall not allow any person to keep more pit bulls than are allowed by this section.

(7) The requirements of this section shall be in addition to all other requirements of this chapter.