

Sec. 6-4008. - Running at large.

- (a) *Unlawful.* It shall be unlawful for any owner or custodian of any dog to permit, or allow in any way whether intentionally or unintentionally, the same to run at large except on property owned or rented by the owner or custodian. All dogs must be kept under restraint or confinement and under the physical control of the owner or custodian by means of a leash or other physically attached similar restraining device.
- (1) For purposes of this section, the term "permit" shall be defined as an act, regardless of the intent of the owner or custodian of the dog, which allows or provides opportunity for an action to occur.
 - (2) For purposes of this section, the term "run at large" is defined as a dog off the premises of the owner or custodian and not under the physical control of the owner or custodian by means of a leash or other similar restraining device.
 - (3) For purposes of this section, the term "under restraint" is defined as when a dog is on the premises of its owner or keeper or if accompanied by its owner or keeper and under the physical control of the owner or keeper by means of a leash or other similar restraining device.
- (b) *Exempt dogs.* Dogs that are participating in hunting events, obedience trials, conformation shows, tracking tests, herding trials, lure courses and other events similar in nature shall not be considered "at large". A dog working in a law enforcement capacity with a governmental agency and in the performance of the dog's official duties.

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