

City of Laredo Health Department
Ch. 6-Animal and Fowl Ordinance Highlights

1. Registration, permit and other fees have been established
 - a. Registration through a microchip is required (public has a year to register their pets)
 - b. If they microchip their pet now it is only \$5.00 with veterinarians and through some pet stores that are participating with the CLHD registration service
 - c. By July 1 all participating veterinarians will have the microchip through the CLHD; the public should ask their veterinarian if they are participating.
 - d. Throughout the year special CLHD clinics will also provide the microchip
 - e. In the future if the pet has a microchip and spay/neutered registration is free.

2. Rabies vaccine remains \$12.00,

3. Litter Permit-Fee-\$15.00. **-It is illegal to sell pets anywhere except through approved pet shops, grooming stores, shelters or through a litter permit.**

4. Pet Shop Permit-\$50; Bird Shop only and Grooming Shop Permit-\$25.

5. Dangerous Dog Permit-: \$100 in addition to penalties.

6. Cruelty to Animals (i.e. Tethering) and Animal Safety - prevent cruelty and improve pet responsibility, no animal shall be inappropriately tied or fastened by any rope, chain or cord that is directly attached to the animal's neck,

7. New Fees

• Tissue Fee for lab testing	• \$50.00
• Impoundment Fee	• \$15.00
• Observation Fee	• \$25.00
• Boarding and Care/day;	• \$10.00
• Boarding and Care /day for livestock	• \$20.00
• Voluntary Surrender	• \$15.00
• Lost or Damaged Animal Traps Fee	• \$50.00

8. Large Livestock Keeping Practices- no livestock is allowed within city limits

9. New penalties and fines

Violations:		
For 1st conviction of a violation of Sec. 6-13, 6-18(g), 6-18(i-1,2), 6-19 (d-1), 6-42(a)(1), (3), (4), 6-42(b) (1-3), 6-42 (b) (1-2), 6-42(e) (1-4), 6-42(f)(1-5), 6-42(g)(1-7), 6-42(g)(1-6).	(\$100.00 to \$500.00)	\$100.00
1st conviction of a violation of Sec. 6-19(e)(1-6), 6-43, 6-46 (r)	(\$100.00 to \$500.00)	\$150.00
1st conviction of a violation sec 6-18 (c) and (d), 6-21, 6-22(b), 6-23(a), 6-23(f)(1-3), 6-42(a)(2), 6-42(a)(5)	(\$100.00 to \$500.00)	\$200.00
Fines are progressive.		