

Sec. 8-134. Abandonment.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to abandon any animal or to cause an animal to be abandoned. Abandonment is defined as the leaving unattended of any animal, by a person previously having care, custody or control of the animal, for at least seventy-two (72) consecutive hours.
- (b) The manager is authorized to impound any animal which appears to be abandoned. Impoundment may occur only after the manager has posted a conspicuous notice, at the place where the animal appears to be abandoned, indicating that the animal appears to be abandoned and that it may be impounded. Such notice must be posted approximately every twenty-four (24) hours. When seventy-two (72) hours have passed, at least two (2) notices have been posted, and the animal has remained abandoned, the manager is then authorized to impound the animal. The manager shall leave at the place where the animal was abandoned a conspicuous notice which conforms with the notice requirements of section 8-132(b). Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authorization of the manager to immediately impound an animal which has been neglected or left unattended in a vehicle as provided in section 8-132(b).

(Code 1950, § 824.3; Ord. No. 270-92, § 1, 5-11-92; Ord. No. 1110-96, § 1, 12-16-96)