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Animal Control Law

For immediate release

(Oneratók:ha April 19 2005) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawake along with the Community Protection Unit would like to remind the community that there is an Animal Control Law in effect in Kahnawake.

Due to recent vicious attacks by dogs that are not tied up and allowed to run free, community members who own dogs are advised to keep your dog chained at all times.

Section II, Article 3.1 of the Kahnawake Animal Control Law states:

Every guardian of an animal shall confine his or her animal by tying the animal with a proper chain sufficient to restrict the animal in consideration of his weight and size or by restricting the animal in any other sufficient way to a yard which is sufficiently fenced to prevent the animal from escaping.

Anyone who does not tie up their dog is subject to fines and penalties.

"The Animal Protection Department has seen a significant increase in activity of stray or loose animals recently. Incidents surrounding these animals have usually been a result of owner irresponsibility. We must remind ourselves as animal owners we have the primary responsibility for the care of these animals and support the Animal Protection Department." Warren Lahache, Director Of the Community Protection Unit.

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