

## City of Pittsburgh

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## **Text File**

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Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Six ("Conduct"), Article III ("Dogs, Cats and Other Animals") Section No. 633.12, Ord. No. 29-1992, eff. 7-16-92; Ord. No. 22-2010, § 3, eff. 7-16-10, to provide for an exemption to the 5 pet limit to qualified people or residences performing foster care and placement work with animals.

WHEREAS, the City's Department of Safety, Bureau of Animal Care & Control website currently refers to said exemption permit; and

WHEREAS, the City Code Section No. 633.12 does not currently refer to said exemption permit; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Animal Care & Control, seeks to codify the public's opportunity to obtain said exemption by amending and supplementing City Code Section No. 633.12.

## Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

**Section 1.** The Pittsburgh City Code, Title Six ("Conduct"), Article III ("Dogs, Cats and Other Animals") Section No. 633.12, Ord. No. 29-1992, eff. 7-16-92; Ord. No. 22-2010, § 3, eff. 7-16-10, is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

Title Six
Article III "Dogs, Cats and Other Animals"
Section 633.12 "Number of Pets Permitted in City Limits; Exceptions"

(a) Except for qualified people or residences performing foster care and/or placement work with animals, no person or residence shall be permitted to own, harbor or maintain more than five (5) dogs or cats or any combination thereof within City limits. For said exemption to apply, any qualified persons or residences performing foster care and placement work with animals must obtain an Exemption Permit from the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Animal Care & Control. The sufficiency of an applicant's qualifications for said Exemption Permit shall be determined by the Supervisor of the City Bureau of Animal Care & Control or her designee. All Exemption Permits are valid only through December 31st of the year in which they are issued. All Exemption Permits must be renewed on an annual basis in January of each successive calendar year thereafter. The Supervisor of the City Bureau of Animal Care & Control or her designee may revoke an Exemption Permit if it is determined that such revocation is in the best interests of public safety and/or the animals inhabiting the permitted location.

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(b) This section shall not affect any person or residence whose number of dogs, cats or any combination thereof exceeds the limit of five (5) prior to the effective date of this section and upon elimination of dogs or cats by adoption, death or any permanent removal from that person or residence, owners exceeding the limit of five (5) are not permitted to obtain additional dogs or cats.

(c) This section shall not affect kennels and catteries that have been granted a kennel/cattery permit by the City Bureau of Animal Care and Control nor shall it affect kennels registered with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

Finally, that any Ordinance or Resolution or part thereof conflicting with the provisions of this Resolution, is hereby repealed so far as the same affects this Resolution.