# ANIMAL SERVICES

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## ***BARKING LOG***

**In Olympia, Lacey and Tumwater, and Unincorporated Thurston County the ordinances state:**
"Any person who harbors, keeps, maintains, or has temporary custody of a pet animal shall be responsible for the behavior of such animal whether the owner knowingly permits the behavior or not. Such person shall violate the terms...if such person's animal constitutes a nuisance pet animal…"

"Nuisance pet animal means a pet animal that...habitually or continually disturbs the peace of any individual or neighborhood by barking, whining, howling or making any other noise…"

**What information do we need?** The first time you call us about a barking dog, we will ask you whether this is the first time the dog has barked continuously; what time the dog began barking; about how long the barking continues; whether you can tell if it is barking in response to a particular stimulus; exactly where the dog owner lives; and, if there is more than one dog, which dog is doing the obnoxious barking. This may seem like a lot of information from someone suffering from a sleepless night, but unless we can target the correct residence and can tell the pet owner exactly what the problem is, we haven't helped at all. If this is an ongoing issue we will ask you to fill out the attached barking log for dates and times when the problem occurs.

***Dog Owner's Address*** _____

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