

# ANIMAL SERVICES UPDATE

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# Background



- 2011 and 2013 changes made to NRS 574 for animal breeders and cruelty to animals
- July 1, 2014 Animal Control Services moved from Sheriff's Office to County Manager's Office
  - Directly under Assistant County Manager
- July 15, 2014 Washoe County officially begins public input process for animal code update

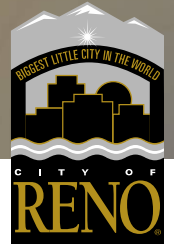
# Proposed New Regulations



## Requirements:

- Annual Commercial Animal Permit
- Records on health, insurance & policy requirements
  - Retention is 2 years after animal is sold
- Permit renewal depends on physical inspections record of business
- 5 day isolation/observation period required for new animals
  - daily monitoring for disease, illness or injury
- Full time Vet or written program w/assigned Vet who conducts regular site visits to observe animals
- Hand sanitizer use before and after touching animals

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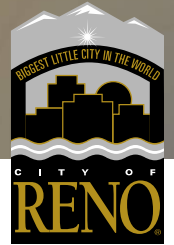


## **Requirements:** (con't)

- Animals only acquired from legal humane groups per NRS Chapter 574 or USDA licensed dealers
- Permits tied to City's business license
  - Suspension or revocation of business license may result in the same for permit

Any violation of any rules or requirements shall make the permit subject to revocation.

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## **Breeding:**

- Commercial Breeders Permit created
- Requires display of permit number in all advertisement
- Enforces NRS 574 requirements of commercial breeders
- All cats or dogs sold must have a microchip
- Female dogs shall not be bred under 18 months old or more than once per year