

1 [Creating requirement to exchange identification information when dog involved in bite of
2 human or animal]

3 **Ordinance amending San Francisco Health Code by adding Section 39 to create**
4 **requirement of exchange of identification and rabies information after a dog bites a**
5 **human or animal and by amending Section 41.11 by moving requirement of dog bite**
6 **reporting to Section 39.**

7 Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;
8 deletions are *strikethrough italics Times New Roman*.
9 Board amendment additions are double underlined.
10 Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

11 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

12 Section 1. The San Francisco Health Code is hereby amended by adding Section 39,
13 to read as follows:

14 Sec. 39. Reporting of Dog Bites

15 (a) Any person who owns and/or is in control of a dog that bites a human or other domestic
16 animal shall provide his or her name and address and present his or her driver's license or other form
17 of identification and information regarding the rabies vaccination of the biting dog to the person bitten
18 or the person responsible for the animal bitten. The owner or the person in control of the biting dog
19 shall provide his or her current residence address. If the person bitten is a minor, the owner or person
20 in control of the biting dog shall provide the required information to the parent or guardian of the
21 minor.

22 (b) In addition to the above requirements, it shall be the duty of any person having knowledge
23 of any animal which has bitten a human being or other animal within the City and County to
24 immediately, and in no case later than the end of the next business day, report the fact to the
25 Department of Animal Care and Control and to furnish as much information as possible, including

1 date, time and location of bite, description of animal or person bitten, name and license number of the
2 biting animal, and rabies vaccination history of the biting animal.

3 Section 2. Amending San Francisco Health Code Section 41.11 to delete Subsection
4 (c) as follows:

5 SEC. 41.11. QUARANTINE; DELIVERY OF CARCASS.

6 (a) Any animal falling into one or more of the following categories shall be
7 isolated or quarantined at the place and under the conditions prescribed by the Health Officer
8 and pertinent State laws and regulations:

9 (1) Known rabid animals;

10 (2) Suspected rabid animals;

11 (3) Animals (mammals) which have bitten or otherwise exposed a human
12 being to rabies or suspected rabies;

13 (4) Animals (mammals) which have been bitten by a known or suspected
14 rabid animal or have been in intimate contact with the same.

15 (b) It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of an animal to violate any of
16 the conditions of isolation or quarantine prescribed by the Health Officer or pertinent State
17 laws or regulations.

18 ~~———— (c) ——— It shall be the duty of any person having knowledge of any animal which has~~
19 ~~bitten a human being or other animal within the City and County to immediately report the fact to the~~
20 ~~Health Department and to furnish complete information thereof.~~

1 (4c) Upon the death of any animal enumerated in Subsection (a) hereof in the
2 custody of the Animal Control Officer, said Animal Control Officer shall arrange for delivery of
3 the carcass of said animal or an adequate specimen thereof to the Health Officer.

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