

CITY OF DUQUESNE

ORDINANCE NUMBER: 2025-001

COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY

PRESENTED BY: City of Duquesne

COMMONWEALTH OF  
PENNSYLVANIA

FIRST READING: April 1, 2025  
SECOND/THIRD READING: May 6, 2025

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DUQUESNE, ALLEGHENY COUNTY,  
PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING ANIMAL WASTE  
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE**

**WHEREAS**, the Council for the City of Duquesne wishes to adopt an Ordinance which prohibits animal waste throughout the city; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is hereby **ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Duquesne as follows:

**Section 1.** No person, having possession, custody or control of any animal, shall knowingly or negligently permit any dog or other animal to commit any nuisance (i.e., defecation or urination) upon any gutter, street, driveway, alley, curb or sidewalk in the City or upon the floors or stairways of any building or place frequented by the public or used in common by the tenants, or upon the outside walls, walkways, driveways, alleys, curbs or stairways of any building abutting on a public street or park, or upon the grounds of any public park or public area or upon any private property other than the property of the owner of such animal; and

**Section 2.** Any person having possession, custody or control of any dog or other animal which commits a nuisance (i.e., defecation or urination) in any area other than the private property of the owner of such dog or other animal shall be required to immediately remove any feces from such surface and either:

1. Carry same away for disposal in a toilet.
2. Place same in a nonleaking container for deposit in a trash or litter receptacle.

**Section 3.** The provisions of hereof shall not apply to a guide dog accompanying any blind persons or to a dog used to assist any other physically handicapped person or to animals used in any police or fire activities of the City.

**Section 4.** Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part shall, upon being found liable therefor in a civil enforcement proceeding commenced by the City before a Magisterial District Judge, pay a fine of not more than \$600, plus all court costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred by the City in the enforcement of this Part. If the defendant neither pays nor timely appeals the judgment, the City may enforce the judgment pursuant to the applicable Rules of Civil Procedure. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense.

**Section 5.** All prior ordinances are hereby repealed in whole or in part to the extent inconsistent herewith.

**Section 6.** That this ordinance and the rules, regulations, provisions, requirements, orders and matters established and adopted hereby shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after the date of its final passage and adoption.

**Section 7.** This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with applicable law.

**ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Council of the City of Duquesne, County of Allegheny and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in a regular meeting of Council and public session, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

ATTEST:

CITY OF DUQUESNE:

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Douglas Sample, City Manager

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R. Scott Adams, Mayor