

## BOROUGH OF BERLIN

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-15AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING  
CHAPTER 89 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BERLIN  
ENTITLED, "ANIMALS"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH  
OF BERLIN, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 89, Section 1, of the Code of the Borough of Berlin is hereby  
amended and supplemented to read as follows:

**§ 89.1. License required; fees; rabies vaccinations.**

- A. Every person who shall own, keep or harbor any dogs or dogs, either male or female, within the boundaries of the Borough of Berlin, that has attained the age of seven (7) months or which possesses a set of permanent teeth (licensing age), shall before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January of each year, or within ten (10) days after reaching licensing age, pay to the Borough Clerk for licensing each dog the sum of \$8.80 and, in addition thereto, shall also pay the sum of \$1 for a registration tag, plus a sum of \$0.20 as a surcharge for the State of New Jersey Pilot Clinic Fund. Additionally, for any dog of reproductive age which has not had its reproductive capacity permanently altered through sterilization, there shall be a surcharge of \$3 to be paid to the State of New Jersey Pilot Clinic Fund. All such fees shall be paid annually for the renewals of such licenses and registration tags. Any person who is required to but fails to obtain or renew a license on or before May 1 of each year shall pay, in addition to the fees prescribed by this article for such license or renewal, a late charge of \$25. Upon payment of the appropriate fees, the Borough Clerk shall issue to the applicant a license and an official license tag for each such dog, the same to be securely fastened to the licensed dog by means of a collar or harness. Any person applying for the license and registration tag for a dog determined to be potentially dangerous pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4:19-17 et seq. of the laws of the State of New Jersey shall pay an annual fee of \$500.
- B. Prior to issuing a dog license, the pet owner or other individual keeping or harboring a dog or dogs, must first provide the Borough Clerk with a rabies vaccination certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian indicating that the animal's duration of immunity extends throughout at least the first ten (10) months of the 12-month licensing period. Animals that have a duration of immunity which expires prior to the 10-month cut-off must receive a booster rabies vaccination prior to licensure. An exemption to the rabies inoculation requirement shall be granted if the Borough Clerk is presented with a written certification from a licensed veterinarian that the

dog cannot be vaccinated due to a medical condition or course of therapy.

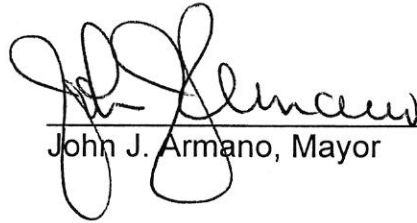
**SECTION 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the provisions hereof, are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage, adoption, and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Attest:

BOROUGH OF BERLIN

  
Charleen Santora, Clerk

  
John J. Armano, Mayor

**INTRODUCED** 10/11/2012

**ADOPTED** 11/6/2012