§ 104-10. Kennels, pet shops, shelters and pounds.

A. License required. Any person who keeps or operates or proposes to establish in the Township a kennel, a pet shop, a shelter or a pound shall apply to the Clerk for a license entitling him to keep or operate such establishment.

B. Application. The application shall describe the premises where the establishment is located or is proposed to be located and the purpose for which it is to be maintained. Such application shall be accompanied by the written approval of the Fire Marshal, the Construction Code Official and the Health Inspector of the Township showing compliance with the local and state rules and regulations governing location of and sanitation at such establishments. [Amended 4-7-1987 by Ord. No. 819]

C. Purpose; expiration. All licenses issued for a kennel, pet shop, shelter or pound shall state the purpose for which the establishment is maintained, and all such licenses shall expire on the last day of June of each year. [Amended 4-7-1987 by Ord. No. 819]

D. Revocation. Such licenses shall be subject to revocation by the governing body of the Township on recommendations of the State Department of Health or the Health Inspector of the Township for failure to comply with the rules and regulations of the State Department of Health or the Board of Commissioners governing the same, after the owner has been offered a hearing by either the State Department or the Board of Commissioners.

E. Individual licenses. Any person holding such license shall not be required to secure individual licenses for dogs owned by such licensee and kept at such establishment. Such licenses shall not be transferable to another owner or different premises.

F. Fees. The annual license fee for a kennel, pet shop, shelter or pound shall be as set forth in Chapter 111, Fees. [Amended 12-26-2006 by Ord. No. 1170]

G. Information sent to state. The Clerk shall forward to the State Department of Health a list of all kennels, pet shops, shelters and pounds licensed within 30 days after the licenses therefor are issued, which list shall include the name and address of the licensee and the kind of license issued.

H. Control of dogs. No dog kept in a kennel, pet shop, shelter or pound shall be permitted off such premises except on leash or in a crate or other safe control.

I. Certain sales prohibited. [Added 3-22-2016 by Ord. No. 1352]

(1) Definitions. When used herein, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

ANIMAL CARE FACILITY — An animal control center or animal shelter, maintained by or under contract with any state, county, or municipality, whose mission and practice is, in whole or significant part, the rescue and placement of animals in permanent homes or rescue organizations.

ANIMAL RESCUE ORGANIZATION — Any not-for-profit organization
which has been granted tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code and whose mission and practice is, in whole or in significant part, the rescue and placement of animals in permanent homes.

CAT — A member of the species of domestic cat, Felis Catus.

DOG — A member of the species of domestic dog, Canis Familiaris.

OFFER FOR SALE — To sell, offer for sale or adoption, advertise for the sale of, barter, auction, give away or otherwise dispose of a dog or cat.

PET SHOP — A retail establishment where dogs and cats are sold, exchanged, bartered or offered for sale as pet animals to the general public at retail. Such definition shall not include an animal care facility or animal rescue organization, as defined.

(2) Restrictions on the sale of animals.

(a) A pet shop may offer for sale only those dogs and cats that the pet shop has obtained from or displays in cooperation with:

[1] An animal care facility; or


(b) A pet shop shall not offer for sale a dog or cat that is younger than eight weeks old.