

(b) the dog in respect of which the licence-badge was issued has lawfully been left in his custody or control by a third person.

(3) No person shall remove any licence-badge issued in accordance with these by-laws from any dog without the consent of the owner of the dog.

*Inspection and enforcement*

7. (1) The secretary may require—

- (a) any person—
- (i) under whose control a dog is found; or
  - (ii) believed, on reasonable grounds, to be the owner of a dog;
- to show or produce the dog and the licence-badge issued in respect of that dog to him, and to allow him to examine both the dog and the badge so that he may satisfy himself that the dog has been licensed in accordance with these by-laws;
- (b) any person who produces a dog or licence-badge truthfully to reply to any question which may be put in order to ascertain—

(i) the true identity and whereabouts of the owner of the dog;

(ii) the history of the dog or licence-badge;

and such person shall not, without lawful excuse, refuse to comply with such requirement.

8. (1) The Victoria Falls (Dog Tax) By-laws, 1969, published in Rhodesia Government Notice 73 of 1969, are repealed.

(2) Any tax paid in terms of the by-laws referred to in subsection (1), or any licence-badge issued on payment of such tax, in 1982, shall be deemed to be a licensing fee paid, or licence-badge issued, as the case may be, in terms of these by-laws for the period ending on the 31st December, 1982.

IT is hereby notified that the Minister of Local Government and Town Planning has, in terms of section 180 of the Urban Councils Act [Chapter 214], approved the following by-laws made by the Victoria Falls Town Council:—

*Title and application*

1. (1) These by-laws may be cited as the Victoria Falls (Dog-licensing) By-laws, 1982.

(2) These by-laws shall apply to the whole of the council area.

*Interpretation*

2. (1) In these by-laws—

“council” means the Victoria Falls Town Council;

“secretary” means the secretary to the council or any other council employee authorized by the council to carry out the functions assigned to the secretary in terms of these by-laws;

“dog” means any dog or bitch over the age of six months;

“owner” includes any person who has the custody and control of a dog which is ordinarily kept within the council area.

(2) If a dog is kept in the council area for more than six weeks, it shall be deemed to be ordinarily kept within the council area.

*Register of dogs*

3. The secretary shall keep a register of all dogs licensed by him, in which he shall record the name and address of the owner of each dog, together with the number and year of issue of the licence-badge allotted to each dog, and such other particulars as the council may deem necessary for the purpose of identifying each dog.

*Licensing fee*

4. (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, the owner

of any dog which is ordinarily kept within the council area shall pay a licensing fee in respect of such dog of—

- (a) three dollars, in the case of a dog;
  - (b) three dollars, in the case of a bitch in respect of which the owner produces satisfactory evidence of the fact that it has been spayed;
  - (c) five dollars, in the case of a bitch not referred to in paragraph (b);
- for each twelve-month period commencing on the 1st January, or part thereof.

(2) Subject to the provisions of subsection (3), the licensing fee provided for in subsection (1) shall be paid to the council, within six weeks of the date upon which—

- (a) the dog attains the age of six months; or
- (b) the owner acquires the dog; or
- (c) the owner brings the dog into the council area; and thereafter annually not later than the thirty-first day of January.

(3) No licensing fee shall be payable in terms of this section for the current licensing period by any owner in respect of a dog—

- (a) which has been acquired, or of which custody and control has been taken, by him after the licensing fee for such period has been paid in terms of this section by some other person;
- (b) which he has brought into the council area after it has been licensed by—
  - (i) another local authority; or
  - (ii) a district council; or
  - (iii) any like authority established by law; for such period.

#### *Licence-badges*

5. (1) The council shall issue to the owner of any dog in respect of which a licensing fee has been paid in terms of section 4, a licence-badge upon which there has been stamped, or otherwise

impressed, a distinctive number and the year for which the licence-badge is issued.

(2) If a licence-badge issued in accordance with subsection (1) is lost or destroyed, the owner of the dog in respect of which such badge was issued shall, within one week of such loss or destruction—

- (a) apply to the council for a duplicate licence-badge; and
- (b) pay for such duplicate badge a sum equal to fifty per centum of the fee fixed by section 3; whereupon the council shall issue such duplicate badge.

(3) A duplicate licence-badge issued in terms of this section shall be valid only for the unexpired portion of the period for which the original badge was issued.

(4) The owner of any dog in respect of which any licence-badge is issued shall—

- (a) forthwith cause the badge to be affixed to a collar fastened around the neck of the dog; and
- (b) ensure that the collar to which the badge is affixed is fastened around the neck of the dog whenever the dog is not on the property of its owner.

#### *Licence-badges not to be transferred*

6. (1) No person shall transfer a licence-badge issued in accordance with these by-laws—

- (a) to any other person where the possession of such badge by such other person would be in contravention of subsection (2);
- (b) from one dog to another.

(2) No person shall have in his possession or under his control a current valid licence-badge which has not been issued to him in terms of these by-laws or any other law relating to the licensing of dogs unless he can prove that, during the currency of the licence—

- (a) he lawfully acquired the dog in respect of which the licence-badge was issued from some other owner; or

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IT is hereby notified that the Acting Officer Administering the Government has, in terms of section 42 of the Local Government Act [*Chapter 124*], approved the following by-laws made by the Local Board of Victoria Falls:—

1. These by-laws may be cited as the Victoria Falls (Dog Tax) By-laws, 1969.

2. In these by-laws—

“board” means the Local Board of Victoria Falls;

“board area” means the area under the jurisdiction of the board;

“collecting officer” means the officer appointed by the board to whom dog taxes under these by-laws are payable or, failing such appointment, the secretary of the board;

“fixed date” means the date of promulgation of these by-laws.

\* 3. The collecting officer shall keep a register of all dogs registered by him, in which he shall record the name and address of the owner of each dog and such other particulars as the board may deem necessary for the purpose of identification of such dog.

\* 4. (1) The owner of any dog over the age of six months which is ordinarily kept within the board area at the fixed date shall cause such dog to be registered at the office of the Board within fourteen days of the fixed date.

\* (2) The owner of any dog over the age of six months which is ordinarily kept within the board area and which has been—

(a) acquired after the fixed date; or

(b) brought into the board area after the fixed date;

shall cause such dog to be registered at the office of the board within fourteen days of the date upon which such dog has been acquired or brought into the board area.

\* (3) The owner of any dog which attains the age of six months after the fixed date shall cause such dog to be registered at

the office of the board within one month from the date on which such dog attains the age of six months.

\* 5. The owner of any dog registered in accordance with the provisions of section 4 shall, at the time of registration, and, therefore, not later than the 31st January in each year, pay a tax of one pound per annum for every dog:

Provided that the owner of a dog which is acquired or brought into the board area after the fixed date and in respect of which a current tax has been paid in terms of these by-laws or to any other local authority shall not be required to pay a tax in terms of this section during the currency of such tax.

\* 6. Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision of these by-laws shall be guilty of an offence.