

CHAPTER 4

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Sec. 4-1. Uncontrolled Stock Within Corporate Limits.

It shall be unlawful for stock of any kind to run at large and uncontrolled within the corporate limits of the Town. (Code of Fort Deposit, 1906, Chapter 9, Sec. 192; For power of Town to prevent livestock from running at large, see: Code of Alabama, Tit. 3, Sec. 1 et. seq.)

Sec. 4-2. Impounding of Uncontrolled Stock; Fees

All persons who allow or permit their stock of any kind to run at large within the corporate limits of the Town will, on conviction, be fined one dollar plus the cost of feed for each head of livestock impounded and a fee of fifty cents per head to the appropriate Town officer as cost. These fees will be collected and paid into the Town Treasury. (Code of Fort Deposit, 1906, Sec. 192; Resolution of 18 Feb., 1950.)

Sec. 4-3. Assessment of Damages Done by Uncontrolled Stock.

All damages done by stock at large within the corporate limits of the Town shall be assessed by three disinterested householders thereof; provided that said owner and said taker-up, or damaged party, shall fail to agree between themselves the amount of damages done. In all cases the stock doing the damages shall be held responsible for all costs and damages that may accrue; and on failure of the owner or controller of said stock to pay the damages as above directed, then the Chief of Police of the Town shall sell said stock at public auction to the highest bidder for

cash, after first giving five days notice, by posting in three public places in the Town, of time and place of said sale, the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the payment of all cost and damages, the surplus if any shall be paid to the owner or controller of said stock. (Code of Fort Deposit, 1906, Sec. 194.)

Sec. 4-4. Staking of Stock - Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for stock of any kind to be left tied or staked for the purpose of grazing on any street or public lot in the Town. Anyone tying or staking any animals as prohibited shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than one-hundred dollars (\$100.00). (Ord. of 6 June, 1923, Sec. 4.)

Sec. 4-5. Cruelty to Animals - Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to wantonly or cruelly kill, destroy, disable, disfigure, injure or otherwise beat, maim, bruise or wound any horse, mule, cow or other animal whether belonging to himself or another. It shall also be unlawful for anyone to use, work, ride or otherwise employ in any manner, any bruised, maimed, sick or lame beast of burden or work animal. Anyone found guilty of violating the same shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00). (Code of Fort Deposit, 1906, Sec. 250;) (For State law on cruelty to animals, see: Code of Alabama, Tit. 3, Sec. 11.)

Sec. 4-6. Vicious Dogs; Running Uncontrolled - Prohibited.

The owner or any other person in charge of any vicious dog shall not permit such animals to run uncontrolled within the Town. Anyone who permits the same to run at large must, on conviction, be fined not less than two dollars (\$2.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00). (Code of Fort Deposit, 1906, Sec. 287;) (For State law relating to vicious dogs, see: Code of Alabama, Tit. 3, Sec. 3.)

Sec. 4-7. Female Dogs; Running at Large; Fine.

The owner or custodian of any female dog in heat shall not allow such animals to run at large or prowl

the streets of the Town. Anyone who permits the same to  
fun at large must, on conviction, be fined not less than  
two dollars (\$2.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).  
(Code of Fort Deposit, 1906, Sec. 287.)

Sec. 4-8. Cruelty to Animals; Animal Fights - Betting.

It shall be unlawful for any person to fight or cause  
to be fought any chicken, fowl, dog or other animal or to  
bet any money or things of value on the results of any  
such fights. Anyone found guilty of the provisions of this  
section shall be fined not less than twenty dollars (\$20.00)  
nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00). (Code of Fort Deposit,  
1906, Sec. 264.) (For the law regarding cockfighting, see:  
Code of Alabama, Tit. 14, Sec. 96-97.)