

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO  
THE KEEPING OF DANGEROUS OR WILD ANIMALS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF THE COUNTY OF SIMPSON,  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY:

Section 1 - Dangerous or Wild Animals.

- (a) The keeping of dangerous or wild animals within any area of this county is hereby prohibited and declared to be unlawful. This section shall not apply to any zoological garden accredited by the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums, appropriately licensed theatrical exhibits, carnivals or circuses, any authorized wildlife rehabilitator or licensed veterinary hospital for purposes of treating injured animals, or any federally-licensed research institution.
- (b) For the purpose of this section:
  - (1) "Dangerous Animal" shall mean any species of animal capable of inflicting serious physical harm or death to human beings because of its nature or physical makeup, including any pet wildlife or any hybrid animal which has attacked a human or which is apprehended or observed unrestrained.
  - (2) "Wild Animal" shall mean any species of carnivorous animal not normally domesticated by man, including but not limited to all bears, lions, tigers, cougars, leopards, wolves, and wolverines.
- (c) Any animal kept in violation of the provisions of this section shall be seized and impounded by the Animal Control Officer and shall be confined in a suitable place.
- (d) A violation of the provisions of this section shall subject the offender to a fine of not less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in addition to the reasonable costs incurred in seizing, impounding and confining the animal. Each day such violation shall continue shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 2 - That this Ordinance shall become effective December 31, 1997.

December 9, 1997 FIRST READING

December 23, 1997 SECOND READING

At a meeting of the Fiscal Court of the County of Simpson, Kentucky, held December 23rd, 1997 on motion by Honorable Kenneth Utley, and seconded by Honorable James Bailey Jr., the foregoing ordinance was adopted, after full discussion and by the following vote:

<u>Aye</u>	GLEN EVANS
<u>Aye</u>	BILL SCOTT
<u>Aye</u>	JAMES BAILEY, JR.
<u>Aye</u>	KENNETH UTLEY

APPROVED: Kenneth Y. Harper  
BY: Kenneth Y. Harper  
KENNETH Y. HARPER, COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE  
COUNTY OF SIMPSON, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

Jada Neely  
JADA NEELY, Fiscal Court Clerk  
County of Simpson, Commonwealth  
of Kentucky

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I, Jada Neely, Clerk of the Simpson County Fiscal Court, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument was this day lodged to be and is with this and the foregoing certificate duly recorded in my office. Given under my hand this 23rd day of December, 1997.

Jada Neely  
Fiscal Court Clerk