

BARKING DOG COMPLAINT PROCESS

Code Compliance helps keep neighborhoods peaceful by handling cases of dog barking that is louder or lasts longer than normal.

Step 1: Filing a Complaint

- Submit online using Goodyear 311: goodyearaz.qscend.com/311/. Please provide any helpful detailed information.
- Call Code Compliance at (623) 882-7815. Please leave a detailed message which includes the address of concern, your name, and your phone number.

Step 2: The Initial Process

The city will contact the dog owner and provide them with a barking dog brochure and a notice advising them of the concern and possible next steps that may be taken by the complainant. Many times, dog owners are unaware of their dogs' barking habits.

Step 3: The Final Process

The concerned resident will be provided a barking dog packet. The packet can be downloaded from goodyearaz.gov (search "code compliance" on the webpage). The complainant will be required to ask a neighbor, who does not live in the same household, to also fill out a petition. All parties will be required to testify in court to the information provided. After completion, the packet, which includes logs and recordings must be sent to codecompliance@goodyearaz.gov or mailed or delivered to the City of Goodyear as provided in the packet.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Maricopa County Animal Care & Control

Lost or Found Pet
(602) 506-7387

Arizona Humane Society

Lost and Found Pet - Rehome Pets -
Reporting of an Injured Stray
(602) 997-7585

Phoenix Herpetological Society

\$100 Snake Removal
(602) 550-1090

4 Paws Cat Rescue

Rehome Cats - Lost Cat Dropoff
(623) 773-2246

Sun Valley Animal Shelter

Rehome Pets
(623) 872-7941

Goodyear Police Department Non-Emergency Line

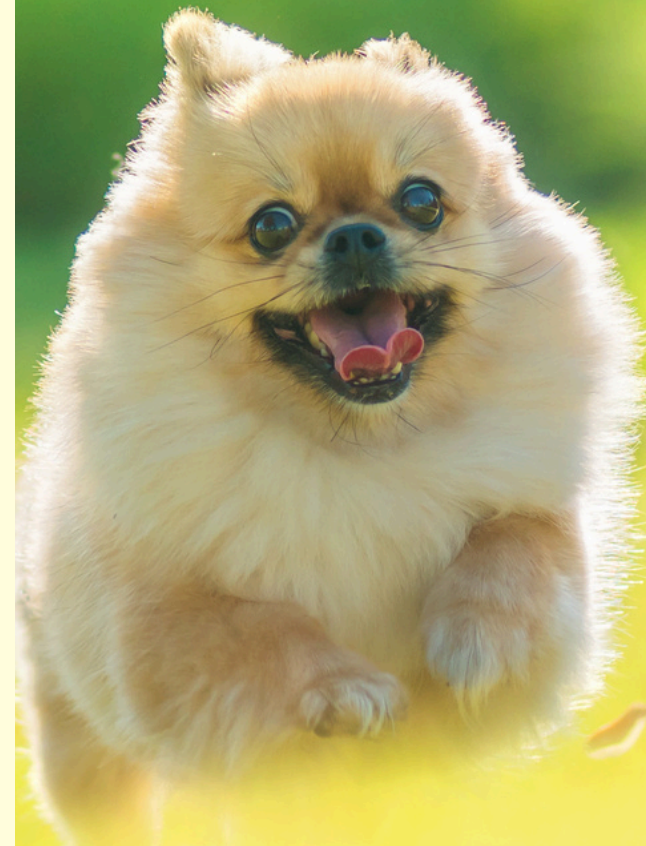
Stray Animals - Aggressive Animals -
Animal Attacks or Bites
(623) 932-1220

Goodyear Public Works

Dead Animal Pickup in Public Streets
Goodyear 311 or (623) 932-3010 option 4
Pets under 70lbs can be double bagged
& placed in your trash bin. - Do Not Offer
Deceased Pet Pickup from Residence
(contact local vet)



City of Goodyear
Development Services Department
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Barking Dog Brochure

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GOODYEAR CITY CODE

Goodyear City Code 7-1-3 explains that it's against the rules to let any animal make loud noises that disturb others, whether it's during the day or night. This code helps prevent ongoing noise, like frequent barking or howling from dogs, which commonly interrupt the peace and quiet of the surrounding community. Non-compliance with this requirement will result in Civil or Criminal court action and fines.



WHAT IS NUISANCE BARKING?

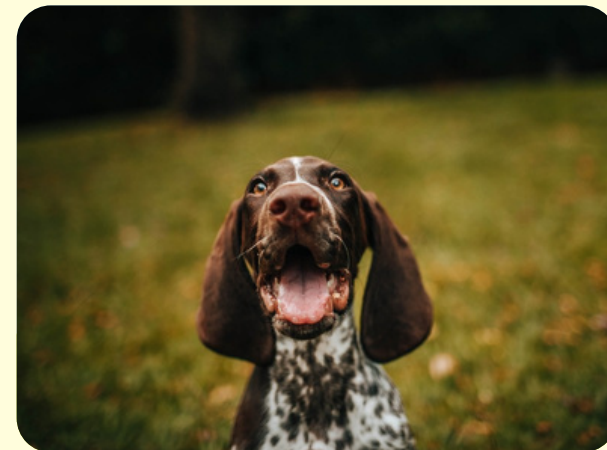
Nuisance barking is defined as a dog barking so much that it interrupts the daily life of others in the community. Some examples of this type of barking include barking after a distraction is gone or barking for larger amounts of time for no reason. Just as a reminder, not all barking is considered nuisance barking since barking is a natural way for dogs to communicate.

TIPS FOR DOG OWNERS WITH A BARKING DOG

If you have a dog that you feel may be a nuisance barker please see the list of tips below.

- Determine if there is a specific reason why your dog is barking.
- Provide distractions such as toys or sound from the television for your dog.
- Bring your dog inside when you are not at home.
- Be responsive and quickly address barking when you are at home.
- Take your dog on walks around your neighborhood to make them more familiar with their surroundings.
- Try training your dog, either on your own or with the help of a professional.
- Speak to your neighbors – they may be able to help you identify when and why your dog is barking. Solving the issue without city involvement may also result in the matter being resolved faster.
- Try contacting your veterinarian or animal trainer for other ideas in trying to minimize your dogs barking.
- The Arizona Human Society Education line, (602) 997-7585 is a good resource for information on how to control barking dogs.

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YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A DOG OWNER

The city of Goodyear knows that dogs can help people feel safe, and that it's important to many residents. But we also want to encourage responsible pet ownership for all community members.

As a dog owner, you know how much love and fun your dog brings to your life. But the responsibility of being a pet owner also means taking care of your pet in a way that keeps your neighborhood happy.

Help the city by being a good neighbor—too much barking can bother others and make it hard for them to relax or concentrate at home.

Thank you for helping those around you and making the community a better place to live by fixing loud or constant barking from your dog.