

**NOTICE OF ANIMAL IMPOUNDMENT; OWNER RIGHTS AND
COST of CARE RESPONSIBILITIES**

Case Report#: _____ Activity#: _____ Defendant: _____

Date of Impoundment: _____ Impounding Officer: _____

Total Amount Due: _____ Date Due: _____

Breed	Color(s)	Sex	Name	Amount

One or more animals in your care or custody have been impounded due to charges being filed against you or due to an investigation of charges involving cruelty to animals, animal fighting, or unlawful ownership of a dangerous dog. Impoundment services for the animal(s) are being provided by Animal Law Enforcement as the designated impound agency. Under Colorado Revised Statutes Section 18-9-202.5, you are liable for the cost of impoundment, care and provisions of said animal(s) during the processing of your case. This would include impound fees, boarding fees, medical care, vaccinations, disposal fees or any other costs associated with the care and keep of your animal(s) while in the custody of Animal Law Enforcement. These fees will continue to accrue as long as your animal is held by Animal Law Enforcement.

If you wish to maintain ownership of the impounded animal you must pay the cost of care for the first thirty (30) days of care within ten (10) days of the date of impound. If you do not make payment for cost of care within ten (10) days following the impoundment of the animal(s), the animal(s) will become the property of Animal Law Enforcement. Should the animal(s) become the property of Animal Law Enforcement, the organization may, at its sole discretion, determine the disposition of the animal(s), which may include humane euthanasia. As an owner or custodian of an impounded animal, you may request a hearing at the County Clerk's Office of the _____ County Court, 18th Judicial Court located at _____ within ten (ten) days of impoundment to determine whether the costs associated with the bond are fair and reasonable and whether there was probable cause for the impoundment of your animal(s). You may also, at your own expense, have a licensed veterinarian examine said animals within seventy two (72) hours of the impoundment. If you would like a licensed veterinarian to examine the impounded animals within seventy-two (72) hours of impoundment please have your licensed veterinarian call (303)660-7529 to make such arrangements. If at any point during this process you wish to relinquish ownership of your animal for any reason to include minimizing your responsibility for cost of care, you are responsible for contacting Animal Law Enforcement at _____ to complete relinquishment paperwork. Until the impounded animal(s) become the property of Animal Law Enforcement by relinquishment, per 18-9-204.5 C.R.S, or by order of the court you will be responsible for the cost(s) of their care.

Should you wish to maintain ownership of the impounded animal(s) you will need to post Cost of Care within ten (10) days from the late of impound and every thirty (30) days thereafter.

Filing of a payment with the court. You can file a payment with the court clerk's office at _____ in the amount listed above as payment for impoundment, care and provisions. This payment will cover the cost of medical care, housing and feeding the animal(s) for a thirty (30) day period. At the end of thirty (30) days, if your animal(s) are still being held, you will need to make another payment in the amount listed above with the court, plus the amount of any other costs incurred by Animal Law Enforcement or veterinarian or other special services during the previous thirty (30) day period not already covered. This process will continue during each thirty (30) day period until your case has been concluded. At the conclusion of your case, the final disposition of your animal(s) and refund of any excess funds will be determined by the court. If at any time during the processing of your case you have failed to provide cost of care within ten (10) days following the expiration of a previous thirty (30) day period, the animal(s) will be considered abandoned and, in the absence of a court order to the contrary, Animal Law Enforcement may, in its sole discretion, determine the disposition of the animal(s), which may include humane euthanasia.

Delivered By: (signature) _____ Date: _____
Service: Personal Delivery _____ Posting _____ Mail _____