

## **“Dog Restraint By-Law”**

**Adopted – Annual Town Meeting  
May 21, 1990**

“Whoever owns or keeps a dog within the Town of Somerset shall keep said dog restrained at all times, by leash or otherwise. While on the premises of the owner or keeper, said dog shall be restrained to said premises, and when not on the premises, shall be properly restrained by leash or otherwise.

“Except as otherwise provided herein, any person convicted of violating the provisions of the By-law must be punished by the following fines: First Offense - \$10.00; Second Offense - \$25.00; Third and subsequent Offenses - \$50.00, to be covered for the use of the Town, and if such violation be continued, each day’s violation may constitute a separate offense.

“In the event of a violation of the By-law, notice of the same shall be issued by the Police Department requiring that payment be made within (7) days from the date of the violation, at the Office of the Town Treasurer, Town Office Building, Wood and County Street, Somerset, Massachusetts. Provided however, that in the event payment of said fine is not made to the Town Treasurer within said specified time, the provisions and procedures in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 140, Sections 147, 147A and 173A shall be followed and applied, where applicable to violation of the By-law.

**A true copy Attest:**

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**Dolores Berge, Town Clerk**