

6.05.085 Definitions.

Unless otherwise specifically defined, the following words and phrases, as used in this chapter, have the following meaning:

ANIMAL. Any mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian.

CONSECUTIVE BUSINESS DAYS. Monday through Friday are considered business days; business days do not include Saturdays, Sundays, or City holidays, even if the Animal Control Division is open during these days.

DOG. A member of the *Canis familiaris* species.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. Any certified peace officer or any person delegated by the City Manager or his or her designee responsible for enforcing this chapter and the regulations promulgated under this chapter.

FOWL. A bird of any kind, domesticated or wild, including poultry.

IMPOUND. The act of taking or receiving into custody by the Enforcement Officer any animal for the purpose of confinement in an authorized impound facility under the provisions of this chapter.

IMPOUND FACILITY. Any establishment authorized for the confinement, maintenance, safekeeping, and control of dogs and other animals that come into the custody of the Enforcement Officer in performing his or her official duties.

KENNEL. Any establishment authorized for the confinement, maintenance, safekeeping, and control of dogs and other animals that come into the custody of the Enforcement Officer in performing his or her official duties.

KNOWINGLY. With respect to conduct or to a circumstance described by a law defining an offense, that a person is aware or believes that the person's conduct is of that nature or that the circumstance exists, it does not require any knowledge of the unlawfulness of the act or omission.

OWNER. Any person exercising care, custody, or control of any animal for more than six consecutive calendar days or claiming any legal interest in that animal. Indicators to determine who the owner is also include any license, permit, certificate, registration, or other documentation establishing a legal interest in such animal.

PERSON. Any individual, corporation, partnership, association, or other legal entity.

VACCINATION. The administration of an anti-rabies vaccine to animals by a veterinarian or an authorized impound facility by employees trained by a veterinarian licensed by the State of Arizona.

VETERINARIAN. Any veterinarian licensed to practice in Arizona or any veterinarian employed in Arizona by a governmental agency.

VETERINARY HOSPITAL. Any establishment operated by a veterinarian licensed to practice in Arizona that provides clinical facilities and houses animals or birds for dental, medical, or surgical treatment; a veterinary hospital may

have adjacent to it, or in conjunction with it, or as an integral part of it, pens, stalls, cages or kennels for quarantine, observation or boarding. (Ord. 455 § 2, passed 9-25-2024.)

The San Luis City Code is current through Ordinance 470, passed August 27, 2025.

Disclaimer: The City Clerk's Office has the official version of the San Luis City Code. Users should contact the City Clerk's Office for ordinances passed subsequent to the ordinance cited above.

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