

## **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

### **Definition**

Under general supervision, to patrol and enforce the animal control regulations and to perform related work as required.

### **Examples of Duties**

Patrols streets in an assigned animal control vehicle; observes and apprehends animals running loose in violation of established laws; responds to complaints regarding stray, lost, noisy and nuisance, injured, and dead animals; issues citations to persons permitting animals to violate animal control regulations; prepares reports and follow-up information relating to ongoing animal control problems; collects and preserves evidence as appropriate; testifies in court when necessary; maintains cages or pens for captured animals and cares for animals under confinement until released; provides information and directions to the public; prepares monthly reports regarding statistical information related to animal control; as assigned, may conduct or assist in special projects on animal control procedures and enforcement techniques; acts as field training officer for cadets under Police Cadet Program in some selected animal control functions.

### **Employment Standards**

#### **Education and Experience**

Any combination equivalent to graduation from high school and two (2) years of responsible experience in animal control practices and procedures.

#### **Knowledge and Abilities**

A working knowledge of the handling and caring for a variety of wild and domestic animals; ability to understand, interpret, and effectively follow appropriate codes, regulations, and laws dealing with animal control; ability to prepare concise, detailed, accurate reports; ability to train cadets in selected animal control functions; ability to effectively meet and deal with the public in a wide variety of circumstances.