

Animal Shelters and Kennels, Commercial (Section 3.16)

3.16.A. Purpose

Animal Shelters provide opportunities for public or semi-public facilities that offer rescue, shelter, humane care, and adoption services for domestic animals and/or other animals not under the jurisdiction of the Arizona Game and Fish Department. **Kennels, Commercial** provide opportunities for privately owned facilities to offer boarding, grooming, breeding, and raising of dogs and cats.

3.16.B. Applicability

1. Kennels, Commercial require the granting of a **Conditional Use** permit by the Planning and Zoning Commission in the General (G) and Agricultural Residential (AR) residential zones, in commercial General (CG-10,000) and Commercial Heavy (CH-10,000) commercial zones, and in the Industrial Park (IP-20,000) and Light Industrial (LI-10,000) industrial zones. Kennels, Commercial are permitted uses in the Heavy Industrial (HI-6,000) zone.

2. Animal Shelters require the granting of a **Conditional Use** permit by the Planning and Zoning Commission in the General (G), Agricultural Residential (AR), and Rural Residential (RR) residential zones, and in Neighborhood Commercial (CN-0.5/A), Commercial General (CG-10,000), Industrial Park (IP-20,000), and Public and Quasi-Public zones. Animal Shelters are permitted uses in the Heavy Commercial (CH-10,000), Light Industrial (LI-10,000), and Heavy Industrial (HI-6,000) zones.

3. Kennels, Commercial and **Animal Shelters** are subject to the following performance standards.

3.16.C. Performance Standards

1. Animal Shelters and **Kennels, Commercial** shall be designed and operated so that noise generated from resident animals shall not exceed fifty decibels (50 dBA), as measured from the nearest property line. Flexibility in noise abatement design, such as solid wooden, metal, or masonry walls, is permitted to achieve the required decibel level.

2. Outdoor dog runs shall be designed to reduce barking provocation. Dogs may be allowed in outdoor kennels between sunrise and sunset each day.

3. Animal waste and/or **Livestock** manure shall be collected daily and managed and properly disposed of for all animals on the property. Disposal shall be according to an approved waste disposal plan. See **Section 3.3.D** for Livestock manure management requirements.

4. Keeping of Livestock sheltered in an Animal Shelter shall comply with **Section 3.16** of this Ordinance for manure management, shelter, and quantity of animals, except that the number of livestock may be exceeded with approval of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Keeping of animals over the approved number limits during a local disaster event shall require notification of the numbers to the Community Development Department.

5. The parts of a building where animals are boarded shall be fully enclosed and sufficiently insulated to provide both noise mitigation and climate control shelter for the animals.

6. Outdoor facilities, including outdoor runs and exercise areas, shall not be located within 150 feet of any single-family zoning district.

7. A lighting permit in conformance with **Section 4.3** of the Zoning Ordinance shall be obtained prior to installation or replacement of any outdoor lighting.

8. All requirements of the County Health Department, County Environmental Quality, and/or other regulatory agency shall be met, and all necessary permits shall be obtained.

3.16.D. Permits and Administration

1. All **Animal Shelters and Kennels, Commercial** shall be subject to the issuance of a permit. Issuance may be through the action of the Planning and Zoning Commission or the **Community Development Director**.

- A. Where Animal Shelters and Kennels, Commercial are classified as a **Conditional Use**, a Conditional Use permit shall be obtained prior to establishment of the Use in compliance with the provisions of **Section 5.7**. The standard **Conditional Use** permit application procedures and requirements shall be met along with additional requirements contained herein.
- B. Where Animal Shelters and Kennels, Commercial are classified as a permitted Use, all building, grading, and other required permits must comply with the requirements of this Section.