

OUR GOAL

The Colony Animal Services strives to protect and nurture The City of The Colony's lost, homeless, abused, injured, and sick pets.

We seek to provide animals the opportunity to be reclaimed, adopted, rehabilitated, or rescued.

It is the mission for the Animal Service Officers and volunteers to pursue a positive synergy and to serve the citizens and pets of The Colony.



What is ANIMAL CRUELTY?

Texas Penal Code 42.092 - Cruelty to Non-livestock Animals

- (1) "Abandon" includes abandoning an animal in the person's custody without making reasonable arrangements for assumption of custody by another person.
- (2) "Animal" means a domesticated living creature, including any stray or feral cat or dog, and a wild living creature previously captured. The term does not include an uncaptured wild living creature or a livestock animal.
- (3) "Cruel manner" includes a manner that causes or permits unjustified or unwarranted pain or suffering.

Animals **must** have proper shade, shelter, food, and water always. They are not allowed to be kept outside in extreme cold and when severe weather is occurring. They need to also have ample amount of space too move about; they cannot be stuck to one small spot. Please keep your babies inside if possible. These temperatures can get deadly quick.

Remember, if it is too cold for you, it is probably too cold for your pet, so keep your animals inside. If left outdoors, pets can freeze, become disoriented, lost, stolen, injured, or killed. In addition, do not leave pets alone in a car during cold weather, as cars can act as refrigerators that hold in the cold and cause animals to freeze to death.

REPORT SIGHTINGS



Contact Animal Services to report any animal left out in extreme weather conditions. During the day at 972-370-9250 or emergency after hours 972-625-1887.

TIPS ON KEEPING DOMESTIC ANIMALS SAFE

Pets burn extra energy by trying to stay warm in wintertime. **Feeding your pet, a little bit more** during the cold weather months can provide much needed calories and making sure she has **plenty of water to drink** will help keep them well-hydrated and skin less dry.

Provide shelter. Shelter shall mean to provide each animal with adequate protection and/or structure from the cold or heat, direct rays of the sun and direct effect to wind, rain or snow and be a commercially sold Igloo or a structure comprised of three (3) solid walls, a roof and a floor requiring clean dry bedding. The shelter must allow sufficient room for the animal to sit, stand, lie in a normal manner and ability to turn around. The structure must be odor and bug free.

COMMITMENT TO SAVING ANIMAL LIVES

Animal Services is committed to saving each animal that comes into our care. Over the last few years, we have improved our live release rate to 97%. We hold our standards high at keeping this percentage, and in doing so, we ask our rescue partners and citizens to help us pursue finding our animals forever homes.

DONATE

Every year, we get over a hundred injured and sick animals that need our help. For us to help them, we use our donated medical fund to give them the proper care and treatment they need. The only way for us to provide this needed medical care is through our generous financial donors. Every penny donated is sent to our medical fund. Please help us continue this much needed medical care for our animals by donating. Even if you cannot donate, it is a huge help to share posts on social media.



ANIMAL SHELTER

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EMERGENCY: (972) 625-1887

HOURS:

Tuesday - Friday 10 am - 6 pm
Saturday - Sunday 10 am - 4 pm
Monday Closed



COLD WEATHER

