

*Statutory Instrument No. 57 of 1973*

TOWNSHIPS PROCLAMATION (CHAPTER 120)  
SELEBI-PIKWE TOWNSHIP REGULATIONS, 1970  
(S.I. 81 of 1970)

**SELEBI-PIKWE (DOGS) BYE-LAWS, 1973**

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IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by regulation 16 of the Selebi-Pikwe Township Regulations, 1970, Selebi-Pikwe Township Authority, with the approval of the Minister for Local Government and Lands, hereby makes the following Bye-laws —

**1.** These Bye-laws may be cited as the Selebi-Pikwe (Dogs) Bye-laws, Citation 1973.

**2.** In these Bye-laws, unless the context otherwise requires —  
“dog” includes a bitch; Inter-pretation

“public place” includes any road, street, thoroughfare, bridge, foot pavement, open space or park and any enclosed space vested in the Township;

“rabies certificate” is a certificate signed by an official within a period of three years prior to its production stating that the dog (being a dog which was six months or more in age at the time of vaccination) has been vaccinated for rabies;

**3.** (1) No person shall permit the continual yapping, whining or barking of dogs so as to disturb the comfort of any inhabitants of the township area. Yapping, etc., of dogs and diseases in season

(2) No person shall allow any bitch to be at large at such times as she is on heat or in season.

**4.** (1) No person shall allow any troublesome, ferocious or dangerous dog, or any dog which is suffering from a contagious or infectious disease, to be at large off the premises on which such animal is normally kept. Troublesome, dangerous or infected dogs

(2) Any person who keeps any dog of the nature described in paragraph (1) shall display at the principal entrance of the property where the dog is kept a legible sign reading “BEWARE OF THE DOG” and “TSHABANTSA”.

Detention  
and destruc-  
tion of  
abandoned or  
diseased dogs

**5.** (1) A servant of the Township Authority authorized thereto by the Executive Officer may detain and remove to kennels or other premises owned by the Township Authority any dog which is at large in a public place.

(2) Should any dog detained under the provisions of paragraph (1) not be claimed by or on behalf of its owner within a period of two weeks of such detention, it shall be deemed to be abandoned and, in such event the Township Authority may destroy or otherwise dispose of, such dog:

Provided that the Executive Officer may authorize the destruction of a dog prior to the expiration of the aforesaid period of two weeks where he has reason to believe it is suffering from any infectious or contagious disease of a serious nature and that the destruction of the dog is necessary for the purpose of controlling the spread of such disease.

(3) The owner of any dog detained under the provisions of this bye-law may reclaim such dog, so long as it remains in the custody of the Township, on payment of a fee of 20 cents for each dog during which it has been so detained.

Licensing of  
dogs

**6.** (1) No person shall keep a dog over the age of six months unless it is licensed in terms of this bye-law.

(2) A dog licence shall be issued, on application and on production of a rabies certificate, by the Executive Officer and shall be issued in respect of the twelve month period commencing on the 1st January in any year and terminating on the 31st December of that year and on payment of a fee of R1,00:

Provided that the fee payable shall be half the amount prescribed in the paragraph where a dog is brought into the Township, or attains the age of six months on or after the 1st of July in any year.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) —

(a) a dog licence issued in respect of the preceding calendar year shall be deemed to authorise the keeping of the dog to which the licence relates up till 31st January of the next succeeding year;

(b) a dog brought into the Township during the course of a calendar year shall be licensed within a period of four weeks from the date when it was so brought in;

(c) a dog shall be licensed within four weeks of it attaining the age of six months.

(4) A licence issued under the provisions of this bye-law shall be in the form of a metal or plastic badge.

(5) No person shall permit any dog which is required to be licensed under the provisions of this bye-law to be at large unless a current licence issued under the provisions of this bye-law is affixed to it by means of a dog collar.

(6) Where a dog licence issued under the provisions of this bye-law has been lost, the Executive Officer may issue a duplicate licence on payment of a fee of 25 cents.

7. Any person contravening the provisions of these Bye-laws shall be <sup>Penalty</sup> guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine of R15 or, in default of payment, to imprisonment for two months.

MADE this 20th day of June, 1973.

W.K.F. BOAKGOMO,  
*Executive Officer,*  
*Selebi-Pikwe Township Authority.*

APPROVED this 4th day of July, 1973.

R.N. MANNATHOKO,  
*Permanent Secretary,*  
*Ministry of Local Government and Lands.*

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