

9. *Dangerous Dog* means any dog that:
 - A. causes a substantial puncture of a person's skin by teeth without causing serious injury; provided, however, that a nip, scratch, or abrasion shall not be sufficient to classify a dog as dangerous under this Ordinance;
 - B. aggressively attacks in a manner that causes a person to reasonably believe that the dog posed an imminent threat of serious injury to such person or another person although no such injury occurs; provided, however, that the acts of barking, growling, or showing of teeth by a dog shall not be sufficient to classify a dog as dangerous under this Ordinance; or
 - C. while off the property of the owner of the dog, kills a pet animal; provided, however, that such a dog shall not be classified as dangerous dog where the death of such pet animal is caused by a dog that is working or training as a hunting dog, herding dog, or predator control dog.
10. *Dog* means any member of the animal species *canis familiaris*.
11. *Dog Control Officer* means an individual designated by this Ordinance to aid in the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance. A Dog Control Officer shall not be authorized to make arrests unless he or she is a law enforcement officer having the powers of arrest.
12. *Euthanize or euthanasia* means euthanasia humanely administered to a dog in accordance with OCGA § 4-11-5.1.
13. *Georgia Responsible Dog Ownership Law* means the State of Georgia's Responsible Dog Ownership Law, OCGA § 4-8-20 et seq.
14. *Impound or impoundment* means the taking into custody of a dog by any Dog Control Officer.
15. *Jurisdiction of the County* means the unincorporated area of the County and the incorporated area of any participating municipality.
16. *Livestock* means all animals of the equine, bovine, fowl, or swine class, goats, sheep, mules, horses, cattle, and other grazing animals.
17. *Owner* means any natural person or any legal entity, including, but not limited to, a corporation, partnership, firm, or trust owning, possessing, harboring, keeping, or having custody or control of a dog. In the case of a dog owned by a minor, *owner* includes the parents or person in loco parentis with custody of the minor.
18. *Ordinance* means this Responsible Dog Ownership Ordinance.
19. *Mail* means to send by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery to the recipient's last known address.