

Can I make
my neighbor stop his dog from barking?

First talk to your neighbor. Many dog owners do not

realize how much aggravation their dogs are causing.

Don't try and talk when you are mad, be polite. When

they refuse to control the barking then pursue your

legal rights as outlined below.

According to the City Municipal Code, it is illegal

to allow any animal to continuously bark, howl or

otherwise disturb the peace. Officers can issue a

citation to the owner if a citizen is willing to sign a

complaint for allowing an animal to bark continuously.

Certain conditions must be met in order for the

owner to maintain custody of the animal. The

violation of these conditions shall be cause for a citation

and may result in the impoundment of the animal.

If you would like to report a violation of this ordinance,

call the Action Center at 297-2535, Monday through

Friday (closed holidays) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., or

contact the Emergency Operations Center at 297-2255

when the Action Center is closed. Be sure to give the

address at which the dog resides and the time of

day/night during which the dog is allowed to

bark continuously.