

How to make a **complaint**

Adams County encourages neighbors to work out problems personally and in a civil manner. However, if this does not work, you can contact Adams County Animal Management to make a formal complaint. An animal management officer will investigate and, if warranted, issue a written warning documenting the date, time, and nature of the noise complaint.

Adams County Animal Management

303.288.1535

If the problem persists after the written warning, a summons and complaint may be issued for noise violations that have occurred a week after the original warning. To issue a summons, at least two witnesses from separate households must sign the complaint. A single witness is required to sign the complaint if credible evidence of the violation is provided or an animal management officer or deputy sheriff also observes the violation.

PENALTIES

First Offense / Warning

Second Offense / \$50 fine

Third Offense / \$100 fine

Habitual Violations / \$500 fine

Adams County Animal Management

4430 S. Adams County Pkwy.
Brighton, CO 80601
303.288.1535

Arvada / 720.898.7000

Aurora / 303.326.8288

Bennett / 303.644.3249

Brighton / 303.288.1535

Commerce City / 303.288.1535

Federal Heights / 303.428.8833

Lochbuie / 303.659.1395

Northglenn / 303.288.1535

Thornton / 720.977.5150

Westminster / 303.658.4360

Riverdale Animal Shelter

12155 Park Blvd.
Brighton, CO 80601
720.523.7387
riverdaleanimalshelter.org

Stay Connected

4430 S. Adams County Pkwy., Brighton, CO 80601

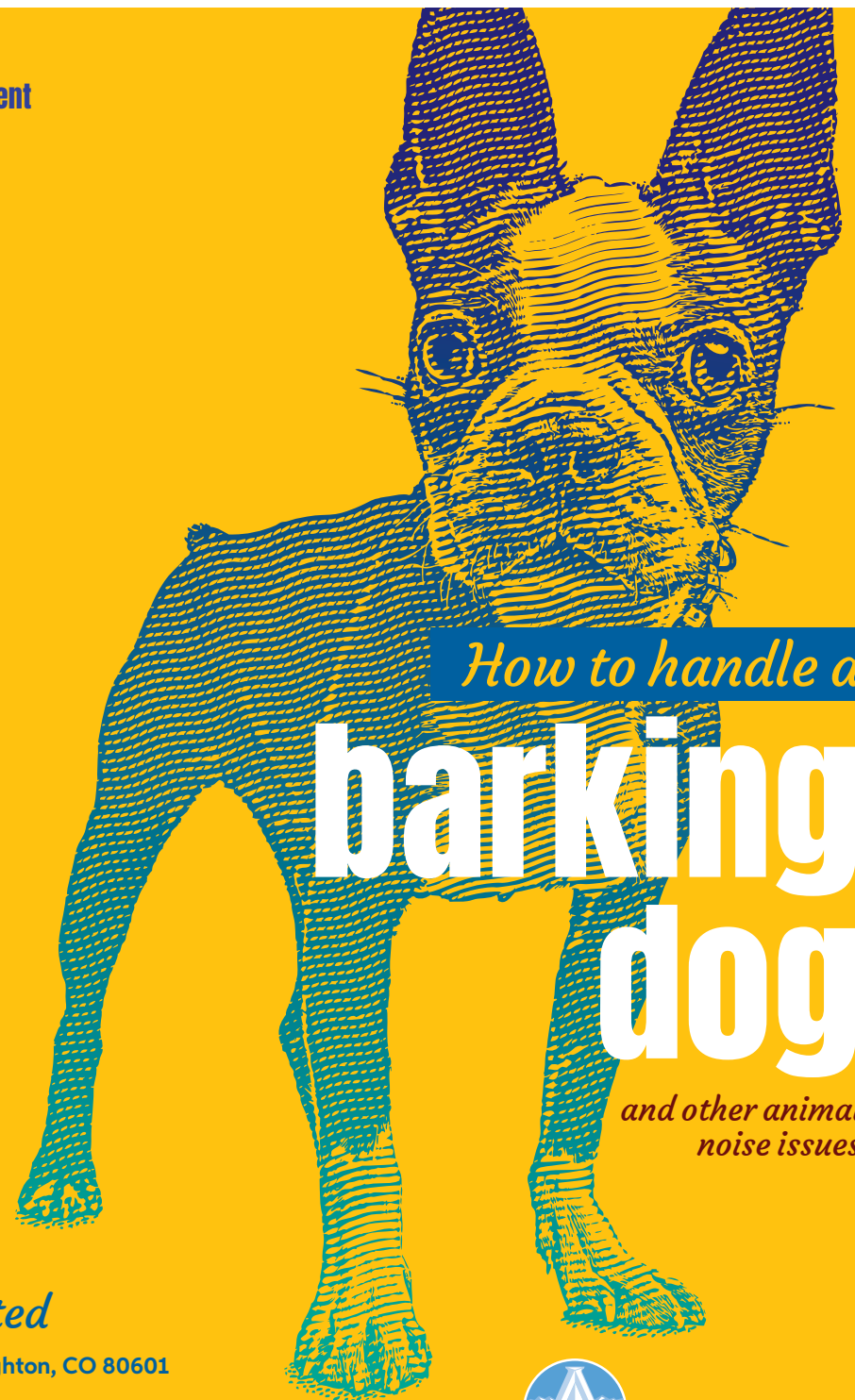
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How to handle a

barking dog

*and other animal
noise issues*



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Everyone loves dogs, right?

Except when your neighbor's dog won't stop barking. Adams County's Animal Management handles complaints when this occurs in unincorporated areas of the county. Please refer to the phone numbers on the back if you are located within city limits.

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How to identify the problem

In Adams County, barking, howling, or any other unreasonable animal noise is prohibited. We realize that dogs bark on occasion, so a single instance is not grounds for a complaint. However, you can enter a complaint if you encounter a dog that barks, howls, yelps, whines, or makes noise audible beyond the premises.



How to keep your dog from barking

Pet owners have the responsibility to make sure their dogs are not a nuisance in their community. Here are some suggestions to curtail nuisance barking:

-  Bring your dog indoors if it barks while outside.
-  Reward your dog when it stops barking.
-  Find out what your dog is barking at, and remove it, if possible.
-  Use an anti-bark collar on your dog.
-  Try an obedience class or other professional training with your dog.



20+ minutes / 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

For a consecutive period of over 20 minutes during the day – 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

10+ minutes / 9 p.m. to 7 a.m.

For a consecutive period of over 10 minutes during the night – 9 p.m. to 7 a.m.

120+ minutes / 24-hour period

For a cumulative period in excess of 120 minutes during any 24-hour period