

**Health &
Safety Code,
Ch. 821**

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**Health &
Safety Code,
Ch. 829**

**Where are
the
Department
Rules Found?**

**Diseases
that can be
passed from
animal to
human**

Rabies

Also called:
Rabies
Control Act
of 1981

Animal
Shelters

Regulation
of
Animals

Treatment
and
Disposition
of Animals

Zoonotic
Diseases

Texas
Administrative
Code, Ch. 169

Animal
Control
Officer
Training

Dog & Cat
Sterilization

What are the five high risk rabies reservoir species?

What is a vector?

Low Risk Animals

Rabies Quarantine Facilities must be inspected by the TX Dept of State Health Services

Health & Safety Code, Ch. 824

Rabies quarantine facilities must have a written SOP for that facility

Name the three infectious tissues/fluids that can transmit the rabies virus

What are the six species of animals with USDA licensed rabies vaccines?

True

*HSC 826.052
TAC 169.28 (c)*

Didelphimorphia
Insectivora
Rodentia
Lagomorpha
Xenartha

TAC 169.22 (19)

An organism
that
transfers a
disease from
one host to
another

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Skunk
Fox
Bat
Coyote
Raccoon

TAC 169.22 (13)

Dog
Cat
Domestic Ferret
Horse
Cow
Sheep

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1. Saliva
2. Cerebral
Spinal Cord
Fluid
3. Nervous
Tissue

CDC, Yellow Book 2024; Rabies

True

TAC 169.28 (a)(1)

Kennels

**Texas Penal
Code
42.09**

**Texas Penal
Code
42.091**

**Texas Penal
Code
42.092**

**Texas Penal
Code
42.10**

**Texas Penal
Code
42.105**

**Texas Penal
Code
42.107**

**Texas Penal
Code
21.09**

**Animals that
are normally
active at night**

Dog Fighting

Cruelty to
Nonlivestock
Animals

Attack on
Assistance
Animal

Cruelty to
Livestock
Animals

Nocturnal

Bestiality

Possession of
Animal by Person
Convicted of
Animal Cruelty

Cockfighting

Animals that are normally active during the day

Animals that are normally active at dusk & dawn

A free roaming, high risk animal that exposes a human must be tested for rabies

What is the quarantine period for an 'other' animal that bites a human?

What is Rabies?

What is the most common route of transmission of rabies?

What are the two most common symptoms of rabies?

What are the five stages of rabies?

30 days

TAC 169.27 (h)

True

TAC 169.27 (e)

Crepuscular

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Diurnal

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Animal Capture & Handling - 15*

1. Incubation
2. Prodromal
3. Acute Neurological
4. Coma
5. Death

*Medical Microbiology, 4th
edition, Baron S, editor. Ch. 61,
Rhabdoviruses: Rabies Virus*

1. Change in behavior
2. Unexplained paralysis

*DSHS ACO Training Manual,
Rabies - 4*

Close contact
with saliva from
an infected
animal.
Example: bites
and scratches

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An acute viral
disease of man
and animal
affecting the
central nervous
system and usually
transmitted by an
animal bite.

HSC 826.002 (10)

What is the average incubation period for rabies?

Which form of the rabies virus primarily replicates in the neocortex and causes drooping jaw, hypersalivation, and paralysis of the throat ?

Which form of the rabies virus primarily replicates in the limbic system and causes aggression, hyperactivity, hypersexuality, and attacking inanimate objects?

What is an epizootic?

Who is required to designate a Local Rabies Control Authority?

The Local Rabies Control Authority must be a public health official.

All dogs and cats must be vaccinated against rabies by what age?

Rabies vaccinations must be given by or under the direct supervision of ____.

An outbreak
(epidemic) of
disease in an
animal
population.

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Glossary - 5*

Furious rabies

*Rabies; Scientific Basis of the
Disease and its Management.
4th edition
Fooks & Jackson*

Paralytic (dumb)
rabies

*Rabies; Scientific Basis of the
Disease and its Management.
4th edition
Fooks & Jackson*

Three to eight
weeks

*DSHS ACO Training Manual,
Rabies - 2*

a veterinarian

HSC 826.023 (a)

16 weeks
(4 months)

*HSC 826.021
TAC 169.29 (a)*

False. The LRCA may
be the county health
officer, municipal
health officer, animal
control officer, peace
officer, or any entity
that the commissioners
court or governing
body of a municipality
considers appropriate.

HSC 826.017 (b)

All cities and
counties in Texas

HSC 826.017 (a)

A dog, cat, or domestic ferret that has bitten, scratched, or otherwise exposed a human to rabies must:

The quarantine can be completed wherever the owner prefers.

What are the five criteria to allow a home confinement?

If a potential rabies exposure happens in a city or county other than where the custodian resides, can the animal be allowed to travel home?

What is the alternative for a dog, cat, or domestic ferret that has bitten, scratched, or otherwise exposed a human to rabies?

An animal that has been designated by the LRCA as unowned may be euthanized and submitted for testing.

A free-roaming, high risk animal that potentially exposes a human MAY be submitted for testing.

Does a low risk animal have to be submitted for testing?

Yes. The animal may be allowed to be transferred to a dept licensed quarantine facility, vet clinic, or allowed home confinement **IF** there is a mutual agreement between LRCA's to do so.

TAC 169.27 (b)

1. Secure enclosure to prevent escape.
2. Animal was current on rabies vaccine or under 16 weeks of age at the time of the exposure.
3. Animal's health must be monitored by custodian and changes reported to LRCA.
4. LRCA or vet observation on first and last days of confinement.
5. Animal was not a stray as defined by 826.002.

TAC 169.27 (a)

False. The quarantine must be done at a department licensed quarantine facility designated by the LRCA. The LRCA **may** allow quarantine at a vet hospital.

TAC 169.27 (a)

Quarantine for 10 days (240 hours) from the time and date of the bite.

*HSC 826.042
TAC 169.22 (20)
TAC 169.27 (a)*

Neither quarantine or testing will be required unless the LRCA has reason to believe the animal is rabid.

TAC 169.27 (f)

False. A free-roaming high risk animal that exposes a person MUST be submitted for testing.

TAC 169.27 (e)

True

TAC 169.27 (d)

The alternative is to euthanize and submit the brain or head for testing.

TAC 169.27 (c)

An animal that has inflicted multiple bite wounds, punctures, or lacerations can be immediately euthanized and tested.

If an animal has exposed a human to rabies, but quarantine is not an option what has to happen?

Assistance animals are required to quarantine or confine after a potential exposure.

Police service animals are exempt from all rabies quarantine and confinement laws.

It is illegal to vaccinate an animal during the 240 hours following a potential exposure.

When an animal completes quarantine, anyone working at the quarantine facility or vet clinic may determine the animal does or does not have clinical signs of rabies.

Rabies vaccines may be sold by feed stores in Texas.

An animal's initial rabies vaccine is considered current after _____ days.

False. Police service animals are exempt if the bite happens while the animal is undergoing routine vet care or while in the line of duty.

TAC 169.27 (l)

False. Assistance animals may not be required to quarantine (to include confinement) during the observation period. However, the LRCA or a vet must observe the animal on the first and last day of the applicable observation period.

TAC 169.27 (k)

The animal **MUST** be euthanized and submitted for testing.

TAC 169.27 (i)

True

TAC 169.27 (g)

30 days

TAC 169.22 (5)

False. Rabies vaccines may not be privately sold in Texas. It can only be distributed and administered by or under the direct supervision of a veterinarian.

HSC 826.023 (c)

False. Only a licensed veterinarian can determine if an animal is showing clinical signs of rabies while in a facility or vet quarantine.

HSC 826.043

False. Animals should not be vaccinated or receive non-essential medications that may complicate assessment of behavior change or health status.

TAC 169.27 (m)

When a domestic animal who is currently vaccinated is exposed to the rabies virus, it should isolate for ___ days and receive ___ rabies vaccine(s).

When a domestic animal who is NOT currently vaccinated is exposed to the rabies virus, it should isolate for ___ days and receive ___ rabies vaccine(s).

When doing a brain submission, you must submit _____ & _____.

According to TAC 169.33 (5), the rabies laboratory submission form is called a _____?

What is the only legal method of euthanasia on dogs and cats in the custody of an animal shelter?

Prior sedation is required before administering an intraorgan injection. (IC, IH, IO, IR, IS)

What is the IV (intravenous) dose of sodium pentobarbital?

What is the IP (intraperitoneal) dose of sodium pentobarbital?

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TAC 169.33 (5)

A complete transverse cross section of the brain stem & tissue from either the hippocampus or cerebellum.

TAC 169.33 (2)

90 days
3 rabies vaccines; immediately, third week, and eighth week

TAC 169.30 (a)

45 days
1 rabies vaccine immediately.

TAC 169.30 (b)

3-4 times that of the IV dose.

TAC 169.84 (b)(6)

1 mL/cc per 10 pounds of body weight

HSUS Euthanasia Reference Manual, pgs 13 & 31

False.
Prior ANESTHESIA is required before administering an intraorgan injection.

TAC 169.84 (b)(8)

Injectable denatured sodium pentobarbital

*HSC 821.052 (a)
TAC 169.84 (a)*

**Health & Safety
Code, Ch. 481**

**During an
animal cruelty
seizure
hearing, what
dispositions
can the court
order?**

**According to TAC
169.84, when
euthanizing any
animal other than
a dog or cat in the
custody of an
animal shelter,
what document
must you follow?**

**Euthanasia
training must be
attended by a
euthanasia
technician how
often?**

**What are the
four
requirements
to own a
dangerous dog
in Texas?**

**What are the
four groups of
venomous
snakes?**

**When using a
catchpole on a
dog, the best
way to load the
dog in your
vehicle is by
lifting it by the
neck**

**A bite stick
(collapsible
baton) can only
be carried and
used by an ACO
after they
receive training.**

Every three years

HSC 821.055 (a)

Most current
edition of the
AVMA Guidelines
for the
Euthanasia of
Animals

TAC 169.84 (c)

1. Order a public sale of the animal by auction
2. Order the animal given to a shelter or non profit org
3. Order the animal humanely destroyed

HSC 821.023 (d)

Controlled
Substances Act

True

TPC 46.15 (g)

False. Animals
should never be
lifted by the
catchpole alone.

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Animal Capture & Handling - 4*

Rattlesnakes
Copperheads
Cottonmouths
Coral Snakes

AustinReptileService.net

1. Registration: register with agency where dog lives.
2. Restraint: by leash or secure enclosure.
3. Financial: \$100,000 insurance or responsibility
4. City or County Regulations

HSC 822.042 (a)

Which chapter of the Government Code pertains to public information?

There is no quarantine required for scratches to a human which break the skin.

An ACO must complete a Basic ACO training course _____.

Once an ACO completes their Basic ACO training, they must complete _____ hours of DSHS qualified training every _____ years.

An animal that bites, scratches, or otherwise exposes a human to rabies must quarantine in the city or county where the exposure occurs.

All cities and counties are required to designate an LRCA unless they don't have an animal control division.

What is the large scale rabies control program for wildlife?

Which animals are subject to the statewide rabies quarantine, thus limiting their relocation range?

30 hours
three years

HSC 829.002

no later than the
first anniversary
of the date the
person assumes
animal control
duties.

HSC 829.002

False. All bites,
scratches, other
exposures, or an
animal the person
suspects is rabid
must either be
quarantined or
tested.

HSC 826.041-826.042

Government
Code, Ch. 552

Any live species
of fox, skunk,
coyote, or
raccoon
indigenous or
naturalized to
North America

TAC 169.34 (a)(3)

Oral Rabies
Vaccine Program

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Rabies - 8*

False. All cities
and counties are
required to
designate an LRCA
regardless of their
access to animal
control.

HSC 826.017 (a)

True

HSC 826.042 (d)

**Health & Safety
Code, Ch. 483**

**What is the
only controlled
substance
animal shelters
are able to
possess
without a
veterinarian?**

**Euthanasia is
legal to perform
in the view of
the public
and/or other
animals.**

**Which code
governs
veterinarians,
veterinary
technicians,
and vet
assistants?**

**At an animal
shelter, an
employee
has ___ days
from date of
employment to
complete their
euthanasia
training.**

**When an ACO
completes their
basic ACO
training, they will
be a state
certified/licensed
ACO.**

**What is a
releasing
agency
according to
Health & Safety
Code, Ch. 828?**

**What are the 4
exemptions to
Health & Safety
Code, Ch. 828?**

Occupations Code, Ch. 801

False. Injection shall be conducted in an area out of the public view and out of the view of another animal, except when euthanizing unweaned/nursing animals with their mother [...]

TAC 169.84 (b)(3)

Injectable
denatured
sodium
pentobarbital
(DEA license still
required)

HSC 481.111 (b)

Dangerous Drugs

- Dog or cat being released back to the owner.
- a releasing agency in a city with stricter ordinances
- an animal being released to be used in biomedical research
- In counties with population less than 20,000 or cities with less than 10,000

HSC 828.013

“Releasing agency” means a public or private animal pound, shelter, or humane organization. The term does not include an individual who occasionally renders humane assistance or shelter in the individual’s home to a dog or cat.

HSC 828.001 (2)

False. When they complete their training, they will be a trained ACO. There is no state certification.

HSC 829.001 & 829.002

120 days

HSC 821.055 (d)

Which federal codes govern controlled substances?

What is the federal act that allows citizens to request governmental information?

What is the Texas act that allows citizens to request governmental information?

What are the three types of animal facilities in Texas?

When an animal in an animal shelter is sick, it must be separated from other animals.

All animal shelters in Texas must be inspected once a year by a veterinarian.

Carpet, cardboard, wood, and paper are good examples of readily sanitizable surfaces.

Unopened bags of food must be stored a minimum of ___ inches off the floor to allow for effective inspection & cleaning.

1. Animal Shelters
2. Impoundment Facilities
3. Quarantine Facilities

HSC 823.001 (1)
HSC 826.051

Texas Public Information Act

Freedom of Information Act

Title 21: Code of Federal Regulations

Title 21: US Code

12 inches

TAC 169.26 (a)(3)

False. Surfaces must be impervious to moisture and readily sanitizable. Ex: sealed concrete & stainless steel.

TAC 169.26 (a)(11)

False. Only animal shelters in counties with a population greater than 75,000 must be inspected annually.

HSC 823.002 (1)

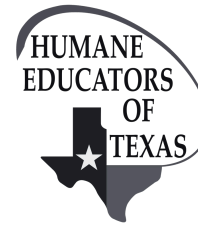
True

HSC 823.003 (c)

Impoundment & quarantine facilities in counties with a population less than 75,000 people do not have to meet the minimum standards for quarantine & impoundment facilities.

What is the recommended retention period for animal bite records?

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Only a licensed peace officer can obtain and serve a seizure warrant in an animal cruelty case.

If an animal that does NOT have a USDA licensed rabies vaccine is exposed to the rabies virus, what is the protocol?

False. A peace officer or an animal control officer may apply for a seizure warrant.

HSC 821.022 (a)

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Three years; or if
the victim was a
minor, until the
victim's 21st
birthday.

*Texas State Library &
Archives Commission
Local Schedule HR
Retention Schedule for Records of
Local Public Health Agencies
HR4850-02

False. All
impoundment &
quarantine
facilities must
meet the
minimum
standards
regardless of
county size.

TAC 169.26 (g)

In these situations,
the most recent
edition of the
NASPHV
Compendium of
Animal Rabies
Prevention and
Control should be
followed.

TAC 169.30 (d)