

Sec. 8-91. Safety of animals in parked vehicles; removal if necessary.

(a) It shall be unlawful to leave any animal in any standing or parked vehicle in such a way as to endanger the animal's health or safety. Any animal control officer or police officer is authorized to use reasonable force, including the breaking of a side window, to remove an animal from a vehicle whenever it appears the animal's health or safety is or soon will be endangered, and said neglected or endangered animal shall be impounded.

(b) It shall be unlawful to leave any animal in any standing or parked vehicle unless the animal is safely enclosed within the vehicle; and if the animal is in a standing or parked unenclosed vehicle, including but not limited to convertibles, pickup trucks, jeeps, and flatbed trucks, the animal shall be confined by a vented container or cage, or by rope, or other device, cross-tied to prevent the animal from falling or jumping from the motor vehicle or from strangling on a single leash.