# These are 8 strange but true animal laws all pet owners should be aware of

No matter when winter rolls around or what your pet type is, it's never too late to learn some essential laws about our four-legged friends. Whenever we are talking about our life in the UK, we must talk about our beloved pets. We have got almost 51 million of pets around us to give us comfort and save us from our loneliness.

Many pet owners know about the mandatory laws by the government to keep themselves free of charges, but yet many are unaware of some strange laws that has recently been published by a pet food brand, <u>Webbox</u>. Well, there is no reason to take them lightly as they could cost you £5,000, or a potential criminal record if you break them.

You must know that all British pet owners have a legal duty to provide for their pet's welfare needs, now let's have a look at the most unfamiliar 8 pet laws to shake your head a little bit.

## Riding a horse or cattle while being drunk

We all know that it's illegal by the government to drive after being drunk, but did you know that it is also prohibited to ride your horse or cattle under the influence? Yes, you heard it right. The Licensing Act 1872 says, it's illegal to be "drunk while in charge on any highway or other public place of any carriage, horse, cattle".

So next time you better leave your car, horse, cows at your house when you wish to go for a drink.

## Make sure you take spare poo bags while on walks

Every dog owner must carry spare bags to pick up while on a walk. If you are walking through the roads of Daventry, Northamptonshire, either carry poo bags or carry £100. Well, the choice is up to you.

### Encouraging your pooch to bark

If you find your dog notoriously thrilled by seaside walks, don't delay, start taming your vocal pup before reaching the Lancashire coast.

This is the place where no dog is allowed to bark unless your dog is instructed to do so by a police officer. Buddy, if you instigate your dog, you might be regretting that while facing the menaces.

#### Bury your pet at the right place

Life gets much harder after losing a friend-like pet, yet there are some restrictions that you can't do even when you are most vulnerable. You are permitted to bury your pet only in the place it lived in, also you have to own it. So, literally you can't bury it at any of your friend's or relative's ground. By the law, renters can cremate their pets only.

#### Letting your dog mate with a royal pooch without permission

Imagine your adored dog mates with a royal pooch while on a morning walk and you are being charged a fine for that! How does that feel? Yeah, you get the point. Though the chances are very shallow, just to let you know, your dog is not permitted to mate with any pet from the royal house without permission.

## Make sure to buckle up your pet

This one is more likely to be followed without even knowing that it's legally instructed. If you get caught on a long drive without seat belting your dog, you could be fined up to £5,000, and have your car insurance invalidated.

However we know you do it just to make sure your pet is safe and sound. Sometimes people find it difficult as pets are not humans that they would sit idle just as told. They might need little training, but it's not impossible at all.

#### Don't allow your cows through the streets at daytime

If you own cows, I am sure this one's for you. It is said in the Metropolitan Streets Act of 1867 that "no cows may be driven down the roadway" between the hours of 10am and 7pm. There we see a clear instruction that you can nor run your cows on the street at day time. Well, next time you should keep that in mind and let your cows move a bit after the sunset.

In case of emergency, you can surely get prior approval from the Commissioner of the Police.

#### Having a pigpen at the front of your residence

This law is only applicable for the literal pigsties, not metaphorical ones. As per the Town Police Clauses Act 1847, it's a criminal offence to have a pigsty in the front of your house, unless appropriately hidden. So technically you can use a pigsty in your house if you keep it in the back garden, perfectly concealed. Then it won't be any trouble for your head. Bang on dear pig lovers.