

**Town of West Gardiner  
BARKING DOG ORDINANCE**

No animal belonging to the family Canis Lupus Familiaris or Canis Lupus Subspecies, owned, licensed or housed within the limits of the Town of West Gardiner shall bark, yelp, howl or cause an unnecessary nuisance to any member of the public within the following specified time periods: continuously for more than 20 minutes, or intermittently for more than 1 hour, or at all between the hours of 9 p.m. and 7 a.m.

Upon written complaint by the person disturbed, signed and sworn to, any constable, duly qualified law enforcement official, animal control officer or person acting in that capacity of the Town of West Gardiner may investigate and may give written notice to the owner or keeper of such dog or wolf hybrid that such annoyance or disturbance must cease. The warning shall be made part of the complaint.

A person who violates the conditions under this section commits a civil violation for which a fine not to exceed \$ 150.00 per violation may be adjudged.

All fines assessed and attorney fees shall be recovered for the use of the Town of West Gardiner through District Court.

ENACTED: 3/24/12

CERTIFIED *Heidi M. Peckham*  
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Town Clerk