#### NUISANCE is defined as:

**Excessive barking that deprives others of the comfortable enjoyment of their homes**. When the barking is loud, frequent and continues over a long period of time, it is legally defined as a "Public Nuisance".

### **Nuisance Defined.**

Following are some examples: Example #1 Nuisance noise from a dog is defined as barking or whining for **more than 5-minutes in any 1-hour period**. Example #2 Excessive barking is barking that is persistent and occurs for an extended period of time or on a repeated basis.

## Can I call the cops if my neighbor's dog won't stop barking?

**You can call the police if your neighbor's dog is barking**, but never dial 911 to report a barking dog. Use the police department's non-emergency line. Before you call the police, however, keep a few things in mind: Calling the police could escalate an already unpleasant situation.Jun 17, 2020

## Scottsdale, AZ.

• Sec. 4-17. - General restrictions.

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(a)

Cattle, horses, sheep, goats, dogs, cats, birds, fowl, and any other animal or bird, and the pens, stalls, stables, yards, shelters, cages, areas, places and premises where they are held or kept, shall be so maintained that flies, insects, or vermin, rodent harborage, odors, ponded water, the accumulation of manure, garbage, refuse or other noxious material do not become a public health nuisance.

(C)

No person shall knowingly keep or harbor any animal or fowl which by frequent or habitual howling, yelping, barking, crowing or the making of other noises shall annoy or disturb a neighborhood or any two (2) or more persons, one (1) of which may be a police officer or an animal control officer.

(Code 1972, § 4-203; Ord. No. 2479, § 1, 8-31-92)

# • Sec. 4-19. - Authority of county health officer to inspect premises and require abatement of nuisances.

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The county health officer or his representative shall have the power to enter upon all public and private property or premises to <u>examine into any animal nuisance</u>, source of filth, or cause or source of sickness or disease found therein, or thereon, and may require owner or occupant thereof at his own expense to remove the same.

(Code 1972, § 4-205)