

## **616.01 DEFINITIONS.**

As used in this chapter:

(a) "Animal" means any living vertebrate, domestic or wild, not including man.

(1958 Code Sec. 5-1.)

(b) "Dangerous animal" means an animal which, by reason of its species, is by nature ferocious or has a dangerous propensity, such as, but not limited to, lions, tigers, bears, elephants and wolves. As used in this section, the term "dangerous animal" means any animal meeting any one of the following criteria:

(1) Any animal which bites, inflicts injury on, kills or otherwise attacks a human being or domestic animal without provocation on any public or private property; or

(2) Any animal which on more than one occasion, without provocation, chases or approaches any person in an apparent attitude of attack, on any public property or in any place outside or over the boundaries of its owner's property; or

(3) Any animal owned or harbored, primarily or in part, for the purpose of dog or other animal fighting or any animal trained for dog or other animal fighting; or

(4) Any dog that is used by a commercial venture to guard public or private property, except those owned by a governmental or law enforcement unit; or

(5) Any animal which has been found to be a vicious dog under State law (510 ILCS 5/15).

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