2026
CODE AMENDMENTS

Official Code of Cobb County
Part I. – Chapter 10

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Chapter 10 – ANIMALS

ARTICLE 1. – IN GENERAL

Section 10-1 of the Official Code of Cobb County, Georgia is amended to read as follows:
Section 10-1. – definitions.

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Breeder shall mean anyone who sells, exchanges, or offers for adoption or rescue in a twelve-month period: (1) more than one litter in any twelve-month period; or (2) over 30 adult animals. Also known as a "pet dealer" under the Georgia Animal Protection Act.

Adult as it applies to dogs and cats in this chapter means a domestic canine over 12 months of age and a domestic feline over eight months of age.

Litter means the young born to a pet animal at 1 time.

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Chapter 10, Article II, Division 3 of the Official Code of Cobb County, Georgia is amended to read as follows:
DIVISION 3. – ANIMAL IMPOUNDMENT, REDEMPTION, ADOPTION AND BREEDING
…

Section 10-73 of the Official Code of Cobb County, Georgia is amended to read as follows:

Section 10-73.- Breeding of animals.

(a) *License Requirements*

(1) It shall be unlawful for a breeder to engage in the sale, exchange, transfer, or adoption of animals without a pet dealers' license from the Georgia Department of Agriculture, business registration certificate from the Cobb County Business License Division for an animal related business.

(b) *Penalties*

(1) A CCAS animal services officer or sworn police officer is authorized to impound any animal subject to transfer in violation of this code section.

(2) A person found guilty of violating this code section shall be subject to a fine not to exceed:

First offense	$250
Second offense	$500
Third or subsequent offense	$1000

Each violation of this article shall constitute a separate offense.

State law reference – O.C.G.A. § 4-11-1, et. seq.
Section 10-~~73~~74—10-95. – Reserved.