

**97A.321 DOGS PURSUING, WOUNDING, OR KILLING BIG GAME.**

Subdivision 1. **Owner responsibility; penalty amount.** (a) The owner of a dog that pursues but does not kill or mortally wound a big game animal is subject to a civil penalty of \$100 for each violation. The owner of a dog that kills or mortally wounds a big game animal is subject to a civil penalty of \$500 for each violation.

(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to a person using a dog in compliance with section 97B.207.

Subd. 2. **Appeals.** Civil penalties under this section may be appealed according to procedures in section 116.072, subdivision 6, if the person requests a hearing by notifying the commissioner in writing within 15 days after receipt of the citation. If a hearing is not requested within the 15-day period, the civil penalty becomes a final order not subject to further review.

Subd. 3. **Enforcement.** Civil penalties under this section may be enforced according to section 116.072, subdivisions 9 and 10.

Subd. 4. **Paying penalty.** Penalty amounts shall be remitted to the commissioner within 30 days of issuance of the penalty notice and shall be deposited in the game and fish fund.

**History:** 1986 c 386 art 1 s 49; 2006 c 281 art 2 s 27; 2009 c 176 art 1 s 21; 1Sp2011 c 2 art 5 s 24; 1Sp2019 c 4 art 3 s 49