



# Selectmen's Office

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## **POSITION OPEN** **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

The Town of Essex is currently accepting applications for the Special Statutory Appointment position of Animal Control Officer. The annual fee paid by the Town to the Animal Control Officer will range from a minimum of \$10,000 to a maximum of \$15,000. This position is not eligible for benefits under the current Town policy.

Position Definition: Appointed by the First Selectman under State Statute 22-331. Performs patrol and enforcement duties in an animal control program; enforces Town regulations, Connecticut State Dog Statutes, laws relating to cats and the control of rabies in domestic animals and manages the animal control shelter.

Experience: Five (5) years of experience in the field of animal control or commercial management of domestic animals or law enforcement involving animals.

Special Requirements: Connecticut law requires all animal control officers to receive mandatory training and will be required to receive a minimum of eighty hours of field related training. New officers will have up to one year to receive this training. Existing officers are required a minimum of six hours of continuing education related to their job duties as animal control officer each calendar year.

Character Requirements: In the addition to the drug & alcohol screening and pre-placement physical exam, the checking of references of facts stated in the application and a thorough background investigation of each candidate may be made before persons are certified for permanent appointment.

Working Conditions: May be exposed to considerable danger of injury from animal bites, exposure to rabid animals and to disagreeable and potentially dangerous conditions in dealing with animals and animal owners in the course of issuing search and seizure and arrest warrants.

Application and job description may be obtained in the Selectman's Office Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. through 4:00 pm or on the Town of Essex Website. Applications must be complete and must be submitted by Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013 by 3:00 pm and should be sent to: **Selectmen's Office, Essex Town Hall, 29 West Avenue, Essex, CT 06426.**

This employer will provide the Social Security Administration (SSA) and, if necessary, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), with information from each new employee's Form I-9 to confirm work authorization.

### **THE TOWN OF ESSEX IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

Norman M. Needleman, First Selectman  
Stacia R. Libby, Selectman  
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October 15, 2013