

**Des Moines Police Department
Animal Control Division
Barking Dog Complaint Packet**

A certain amount of noise must be tolerated living in urban and suburban areas, as they are part of daily life. However, when the noise becomes unreasonable, such as a chronic, excessive barking dog, we offer suggestions that can help reinstate peace and quiet to your neighborhood.

The first course of action is to speak to the dog owner directly, or if that is not possible, sending a letter- being neighborly, offering solutions and compromises, and allowing a remedy period are all part of being community oriented and solving the problem at a neighborhood level.

If that approach is unsuccessful, please complete this packet and submit it to the Des Moines Police Department 21900-11 Av S, Des Moines, WA 98198 (206) 878-3301 (206) 870-6549; we will then contact you for additional information and to assist with solving your barking problem.

Record of personal contact with dog owner/keeper:

Complainant Name	Date	Time
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List of Complainants: A minimum of **three** complainants is needed; each must reside within a separate household and be over 18 years of age. Each must also complete the “Animal Control Division Complaint Report” (included) documenting the dates, times and duration of at least five incidents of “unreasonable” barking, and be willing to testify in court.

Complainant #1 Name: _____

Complainant #2 Name: _____

Complainant #3 Name: _____