

1 **Ordinance To Amend and Reenact Chapter 5 - Animals of the City Code of Hampton,**  
2 **Virginia By Amending Section 5-2, pertaining to the definition of “at large”**

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4 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia, that Chapter 5 of the City  
5 Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia be amended to read as follows:

6 **Chapter 5 - ANIMALS**

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11 **Sec. 5-2. - Definitions.**

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13 Unless otherwise expressly stated or the content clearly indicates a different intention, the  
14 following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter, have the meaning indicated in  
15 this section:

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20 *At large* shall mean roaming, running or self-hunting off the property of its owner or custodian  
21 and not under its owner's or custodian's immediate control *by leash, rope, or chain attached to a*  
22 *commercial pet collar or harness or contained within a pet carrier, crate or enclosed pet stroller.*  
23 ~~except that a~~ *A dog shall not be considered at large if it is on a bona fide hunt in the city in the*  
24 *company of the hunter; or is off leash in an officially designated Bark Park; or is off leash in a*  
25 *space within a public park defined as an off-leash dog area by the director of parks, recreation*  
26 *and leisure services and identified by signage as available for off-leash dog activity. At large*  
27 *shall not apply to any person while engaged in law enforcement or search and rescue activity; in*  
28 *a supervised formal obedience training class or show; or during formally sanctioned field trials*  
29 *or field dog training.*

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