



Town of West Tisbury Animal Control Department

on

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The West Tisbury Animal Control has received multiple complaints concerning a small dog that belongs to Carla Domian-Gomes who resides at 28 James Way, West Tisbury MA. Janet Alley has reported to Animal control on four different occasions that the dog belonging to Ms. Gomes has approached her horse that is stabled in a paddock on Ms. Alley's property. Ms. Alley has expressed strong concern for the safety of her horse.

On the first occasion March 14th, 2021 my assistant, Kimberly Andrade, went to Ms. Gomes property and spoke to Ms. Gomes' mother. She explained that the dog needs to be restrained according to the West Tisbury by-Law for unrestrained dogs. On March 20 I received a call from Ms. Alley that the dog was once again on her property going towards the paddock then Ms. Alley chased the dog away. At that point I wrote a citation for unrestrained dog and mailed it to Ms. Gomes. On April 4th I received a call from Ms. Alley the dog was again on her property. I called Ms. Gomes and again explained the dog has to be restrained and suggested they use a leash when they are walking the dog. I also informed her that a complaint may be filed to the board of selectpersons if this continues. On April 27th Ms. Alley called and stated the dog was at the paddock and she chased it off the property.

I have concerns for the safety of the horse and the dog. I was dispatched twice for the dog being in traffic on State Road and Old County Road. I would recommend that Ms. Gomes dog be leashed walked at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

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