

DEAD ANIMAL PICK - UP POLICY

Occasionally there is a need for the Town to remove dead wildlife from public ways and public property. This removal shall be the responsibility of the Animal Control Officer. Private property owners are responsible for the disposal of animals on their property. Pet owners are responsible for the disposal of their pets. No resident shall move a dead animal onto any public way or public property.

Dead wildlife on Town roads or Town property will be moved or removed at the discretion of the Animal Control Officer. The Animal Control Officer shall determine the method of removal for dead animals. The ACO shall make arraignments for removal in coordination with other departments and/or independent contractor if needed. Removal may include moving the carcass to the side of the road or to a wooded area for natural decomposition.

Dead wildlife on state roads such as Rt. 169 and Rt. 20 are the responsibility of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

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