

## Struthers Tethering Law

Among other restrictions, the ordinance prohibits using choke collars, pinch collars or chains to tether dogs and states a dog cannot be tethered outside when a National Weather Service severe weather warning is in effect.

The ordinance allows for certain exceptions to the tethering restrictions and states, "Nothing in this section shall prohibit the tethering of a dog that is in immediate proximity of its owner or custodian, in a manner that does not cause discomfort, pain or injury to the dog."

Violation of the ordinance is punishable as a minor misdemeanor with a \$100 fine on the first offense and a fourth-degree misdemeanor with a \$300 fine on a subsequent offense. Each day of violation counts as a subsequent offense