

STATE OF NEW YORK  
LOCAL CRIMINAL COURT

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
TOWN OF \_\_\_\_\_

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK )  
-VS- Date of Birth ) **INFORMATION**  
\_\_\_\_\_) )  
\_\_\_\_\_) )  
\_\_\_\_\_) )  
\_\_\_\_\_) )  
\_\_\_\_\_) Defendant(s) )

BE IT KNOWN THAT, by this INFORMATION \_\_\_\_\_  
as the Complainant herein [stationed] of the \_\_\_\_\_  
( \_\_\_\_\_ SPCA) \_\_\_\_\_  
accuses \_\_\_\_\_  
the above named Defendant(s) with having committed the  
(Violation/ Misdemeanor /Felony )  
of Failure to Provide Proper Sustenance /Cruelty to Animals \_\_\_\_\_, in violation of **Article 26 section 353**  
of the Agriculture & Markets Law of the State of New York.

That on or about the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ at about \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_, the defendant(s) did  
intentionally, knowingly, and unlawfully commit the Misdemeanor of Failure to Provide Proper  
Sustenance/Cruelty to Animals. A person who deprives any animal of necessary sustenance, food or  
drink or neglects or refuses to furnish it such sustenance or drink or permits any animal to be deprived of  
necessary food or drink or who willfully sets on foot, instigates, engages in, **or in any way furthers any  
act of cruelty to any animal or any act tending to produce such cruelty is guilty of a misdemeanor.  
Cruelty is defined as any act, Omission or Neglect whereby unjustifiable physical pain, suffering or  
death is caused or permitted;** to wit; at the aforementioned date and time and at (defendant’s address or  
address where the animal was kept if different from defendant’s home address), the defendant did keep a  
(identify the type of animal; for example, a German Shepard) (if there was more than one animal  
involved, specify the ID number you identified the animal with here, e.g., Dog 2) in a neglected,  
unsanitary and unhealthy condition resulting in the animal being [here describe the state of the animal  
based on the vet’s statement, for example: *collar imbedded into neck, earmites, sarcoptic mange, whip  
worms and hook worms.*]

WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a Warrant be issued for the arrest of said Defendant(s).  
--OR--

WHEREAS, an Appearance Ticket was issued to the said Defendant(s), directing (him)(her)(them) to  
appear before this court at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m/p.m., on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

In a written instrument, any person who knowingly makes a false statement which such person does not  
believe to be true, has committed a crime under the laws of the State of New York punishable as a Class  
A Misdemeanor. (PL 210.45)

Affirmed under penalty of perjury  
this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_  
-OR-

\_\_\_\_\_  
Complainant

Subscribed and Sworn to before me  
this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

[ ] STRIKE OUT/DELETE ANY WORDS THAT DO NOT APPLY