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**Q1** What agency do you represent?

Seminole County Animal Services

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**Q2** What County is your agency located within?

Seminole County

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**Q3** Has your agency ever classified a dog as "Dangerous" while she was pregnant or while she was nursing puppies? **No**

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**Q4** Would your agency hold the mama until she delivers and nurses the pups for 8-10 weeks? **No**

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**Q5** Whether the owner complies and reclaims the mama dog or not, would your agency believe that he is entitled to having the puppies returned? **Yes**

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**Q6** Is there any other advice that you would offer an agency in this position?

If he complies with paying the fees and the home restrictions (dangerous dog certificate) I would include a special exception agreement that he is to have the dog spayed by (?get vet recommendation). If he does not comply you can have another hearing in front of the board for non compliance with the certificate.

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**Q7** Thank you for participating!Can we contact you directly if we have more questions? If so, what is your name, email address and/or phone number?

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**Q1** What agency do you represent?

Jefferson County Animal Control

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**Q2** What County is your agency located within?

Jefferson County

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**Q3** Has your agency ever classified a dog as "Dangerous" while she was pregnant or while she was nursing puppies? **No**

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**Q4** Would your agency hold the mama until she delivers and nurses the pups for 8-10 weeks? **No**

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**Q5** Whether the owner complies and reclaims the mama dog or not, would your agency believe that he is entitled to having the puppies returned? **No**

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**Q6** Is there any other advice that you would offer an agency in this position?

Contact Doug Eddins that is the Executive Director of AACIS. Doug is very knowledgeable with laws pertaining to animal owner rights and possibly could provide beneficial information. (850)619-1709

I know in our county a few years back we declared 3 dogs as dangerous dogs that attacked a citizen and almost ripped her entire calf off of one of her legs. After the period that included the quarantine and court proceeding all three dogs were later euthanized and arranged burial that we had to supervise.

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**Q7** Thank you for participating! Can we contact you directly if we have more questions? If so, what is your name, email address and/or phone number?

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**Q1** What agency do you represent?

Pinellas County Animal Services

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**Q2** What County is your agency located within?

Pinellas County

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**Q3** Has your agency ever classified a dog as "Dangerous" while she was pregnant or while she was nursing puppies? **No**

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**Q4** Would your agency hold the mama until she delivers and nurses the pups for 8-10 weeks? **No**

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**Q5** Whether the owner complies and reclaims the mama dog or not, would your agency believe that he is entitled to having the puppies returned? **Yes**

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**Q6** Is there any other advice that you would offer an agency in this position?

If the owner chooses to comply. Return the mother dog and advise that the dog must be spayed by a certain date after the puppies are born. If the owner does not provide proof of the dog being spayed by the date ordered, then you start issuing the owner a citation each day he or she is in violation. If the owner does not reclaim the dog, then he or she is not entitled to the puppies.

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**Q7** Thank you for participating! Can we contact you directly if we have more questions? If so, what is your name, email address and/or phone number?

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**Q1** What agency do you represent?

Tallahassee Animal Services

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**Q2** What County is your agency located within?

Leon

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**Q3** Has your agency ever classified a dog as "Dangerous" while she was pregnant or while she was nursing puppies?

**No**

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**Q4** Would your agency hold the mama until she delivers and nurses the pups for 8-10 weeks?

Other (please specify):  
We would likely hold the mama for whatever time we were legally required to hold her for without regard to pregnancy status. If she was legally required to be spayed at a date prior to her delivering the puppies then we would spay her while pregnant.

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**Q5** Whether the owner complies and reclaims the mama dog or not, would your agency believe that he is entitled to having the puppies returned?

Other (please specify):  
Once born, owner would be entitled to puppies. However, I do not believe owners rights to puppies trump the legal requirement to spay so it would really just be a timing issue.

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**Q6** Is there any other advice that you would offer an agency in this position?

Interesting scenario. Good luck.

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**Q7** Thank you for participating! Can we contact you directly if we have more questions? If so, what is your name, email address and/or phone number?

Lt. Jeff Doyle

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**Q1** What agency do you represent?

DESOTO COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES

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**Q2** What County is your agency located within?

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**Q3** Has your agency ever classified a dog as "Dangerous" while she was pregnant or while she was nursing puppies? **No**

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**Q4** Would your agency hold the mama until she delivers and nurses the pups for 8-10 weeks? **No**

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**Q5** Whether the owner complies and reclaims the mama dog or not, would your agency believe that he is entitled to having the puppies returned? **Yes**

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**Q6** Is there any other advice that you would offer an agency in this position?

STIPULATION OF THE dangerous DOG RELEASE FOR THE MOTHER WOULD CARRY A SPAY DATE ORDERED BY THE MAGISTRATE WHO HEARD THE CASE AND IF NOT MET THE OWNER WOULD BE CONSIDERED TO BE IN VIOLATION OF THE ORDERS ISSUED BY THE MAGISTRATE AND WE WOULD PROCEED AS OUTLINED IN THE STATUTES FOR ANY DOG/OWNER FOUND TO BE IN VIOLATION OF THE ORDERS OF THE MAGISTRATE FOR THE DANGEROUS DOG DECLARATION.

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**Q7** Thank you for participating! Can we contact you directly if we have more questions? If so, what is your name, email address and/or phone number?

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**Q1** What agency do you represent?

Orange County Animal Services

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**Q2** What County is your agency located within?

Orange County, Florida

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**Q3** Has your agency ever classified a dog as "Dangerous" while she was pregnant or while she was nursing puppies? **Yes**

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**Q4** Would your agency hold the mama until she delivers and nurses the pups for 8-10 weeks? **Yes**

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**Q5** Whether the owner complies and reclaims the mama dog or not, would your agency believe that he is entitled to having the puppies returned? **Yes**

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**Q6** Is there any other advice that you would offer an agency in this position?

The puppies have not violated any law so should thereby be returned. The mother can be held during the process and if she has the puppies the owner can pick up puppies and hand raise them as an alternative to them being left in the shelter.

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**Q7** Thank you for participating! Can we contact you directly if we have more questions? If so, what is your name, email address and/or phone number?

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**Q1** What agency do you represent?

City of Bowling Green Animal Control

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**Q2** What County is your agency located within?

Hardee

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**Q3** Has your agency ever classified a dog as "Dangerous" while she was pregnant or while she was nursing puppies?

**No**

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**Q4** Would your agency hold the mama until she delivers and nurses the pups for 8-10 weeks?

Other (please specify):  
only if it is during the appeal time period in which you can continue to retain the mother.

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**Q5** Whether the owner complies and reclaims the mama dog or not, would your agency believe that he is entitled to having the puppies returned?

**Yes**

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**Q6** Is there any other advice that you would offer an agency in this position?

The mother was confiscated while pregnant. The mother is an owned animal as are the puppies she carries. I would suggest to the owner, surrendering the puppies if you have available rescue partners that can assist in placement.

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**Q7** Thank you for participating! Can we contact you directly if we have more questions? If so, what is your name, email address and/or phone number?

Trina Galvan  
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**Q1** What agency do you represent?

Palm Beach County Animal Care & Control

**Q2** What County is your agency located within?

Palm Beach County

**Q3** Has your agency ever classified a dog as "Dangerous" while she was pregnant or while she was nursing puppies?

No

**Q4** Would your agency hold the mama until she delivers and nurses the pups for 8-10 weeks?

Other (please specify): possibly. see below

**Q5** Whether the owner complies and reclaims the mama dog or not, would your agency believe that he is entitled to having the puppies returned?

Other (please specify):  
In our county any breeding, even unintentional, requires a permit, so that could complicate things further, especially if it results in too many total animals per household. But essentially the puppies would be considered the owner's property regardless of outcome for the mama. We would strongly encourage the owner agree to sterilize the mama and terminate the pregnancy, but that choice would have to be the owner's

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### **Q6** Is there any other advice that you would offer an agency in this position?

If the breeding occurred prior to the classification it would be difficult to argue that it is a violation of statute 767. The puppies are considered the owner's property - I suggest Owner be given the choice 1- surrender the mama (an option at any point in the classification process) 2- bring the mama into compliance and terminate the pregnancy 3- agree to foot the bill for mama and pups to be sheltered until the pups wean and mama can be sterilized.

We have had difficulty bringing owners into compliance if the dog is permitted to leave our shelter before surgery. It is rarely necessary but we did release one dog recently prior to surgery due to underlying health issues and some shelter issues we had at the time.

If the owner has an idea of the billing amount to wait on the weaning they may be dissuaded from reclaiming pups. I think the owner does need to be given the option, otherwise it becomes a 4th amendment issue.

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### **Q7** Thank you for participating! Can we contact you directly if we have more questions? If so, what is your name, email address and/or phone number?

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