



# CITY OF TRENTON

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### Public Health Advisory

We have recently been advised by the State of New Jersey, Department of Health, Division of Animal Health, that blood tests on a skunk in our area has tested positive for Distemper. We are advising residents to do the following:

- **Stay Away! Do not come in close contact with the animal.**
- **If your dog has not been vaccinated, keep it inside and vaccinate immediately.**
- **Distemper cannot be transmitted to humans, but humans can become a host for the disease if they come in close contact.**
- **Get your dogs vaccinated to avoid it contracting the disease. The disease can be found in skunk fecal droppings and saliva.**
- **The City of Trenton Humane Law Enforcement Bureau does not have to capture a skunk displaying this behavior, except if someone has come in actual contact with the skunk (bite/scratch), or if the animal is in an area where there is a crowd of people.**
- **If none of those exceptions are present, AVOID, STAY AWAY, AND ALLOW IT TO PASS THROUGH.**