

**COLLARS, HARNESES, AND LEASHES ON DOGS IN PUBLIC PLACES**  
**Act 82 of 1981**

AN ACT to prohibit the use of certain collars or harnesses and leashes on dogs in public places, except by deaf, audibly impaired, or otherwise physically limited persons; and to prescribe penalties.

**History:** 1981, Act 82, Imd. Eff. July 1, 1981;—Am. 1984, Act 111, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1984.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**752.61 Definitions.**

Sec. 1. As used in this act:

(a) “Audibly impaired” means the inability to hear air conduction thresholds at an average of 40 decibels or greater in the better ear.

(b) “Deaf person” means a person whose hearing is totally impaired or whose hearing, with or without amplification, is so seriously impaired that the primary means of receiving spoken language is through other sensory input, including but not limited to, lip reading, sign language, finger spelling, or reading.

(c) “Physically limited” means physically limited as defined in section 1 of Act No. 1 of the Public Acts of 1966, being section 125.1351 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**History:** 1981, Act 82, Imd. Eff. July 1, 1981;—Am. 1984, Act 111, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1984.

**752.62 Use or possession of dog wearing blaze orange leash and collar or harness in public place.**

Sec. 2. A person, except a person who is deaf, audibly impaired, or otherwise physically limited shall not use or be in possession of a dog that is wearing a blaze orange leash and collar or harness in any public place.

**History:** 1981, Act 82, Imd. Eff. July 1, 1981;—Am. 1984, Act 111, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1984.

**752.63 Violation as misdemeanor; penalty.**

Sec. 3. A person who knowingly violates this act is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than \$10.00.

**History:** 1981, Act 82, Imd. Eff. July 1, 1981.