Indian River County Animal Control

New Tether Ordinance 302.051

Tethering Requirements:

- Tether is more than 10ft in length, with swivels at both ends.
- Tether is attached to a pulley/trolley mounted to a cable that is more than 10ft in length.
- Pulley/Trolley system must be at least 4ft and no more than 7ft above the ground and not to interfere with other objects on the property.
- Tether system does not allow animal to leave owner’s property.
- The tether is a cable no more than 3/16 inches in diameter and tether does not weight more than 1/8 of the animal’s body weight.
- Tether must be attached to a properly fitting collar or harness and must not be a choker.

Tethering Exceptions:

- Cannot be tethered for more than one hour between 9am-5pm if outside temperature exceeds 90 degrees Fahrenheit.
- The animal must not be less than 6 months old unless being attended to.
- The animal must not be sick or injured.
- The animal must not have been issued a “letter of dangerous propensity”.

* For more information, please visit http://www.ircos.com/Animal_Control_Division/Index.htm