

State	Law Code	People in animal welfare fields who must report abuse	Human service professionals who must report animal abuse	Summary of the law(s)
California	Cal Pen Code §§ 11166, 11199	Animal control officers Humane society officers	Any employee of a county child or adult protective services agency	Animal control and humane society officers are mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect. CPS and APS employees may report animal abuse and neglect seen in a professional capacity
Colorado	C.R.S. 19-3-304	Veterinarians; animal control officers; state bureau of animal protection agents, officers	--	The named people in animal welfare fields are mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect
Illinois	Public Act 096-0494	Animal control officers; IL Department of Agriculture Bureau of Animal Health and Welfare field investigators	Investigation Specialists, Intact Family Specialists, and Placement Specialists employed by the Department of Children and Family Services	The named people in animal welfare fields are mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect The employees of DCFS must report animal abuse and neglect seen in a professional capacity
Louisiana	R.S. 14:403.6	Law enforcement officials	Local and state law enforcement; government employees or contractors who routinely investigate abuse of children or dependent adults	Animal welfare officials not specifically named as mandated reporters. Animal abuse or neglect seen during a work capacity must be reported to law enforcement or the local animal welfare authority

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Maine	22 M.R.S. §§4008, 4011-A, 34-B M.R.S. § 1901	Mandated reporter: Humane agents employed by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources Permitted reporters: Animal control officers	State funded child protective service or adult protective service employees	The named people in animal welfare fields are mandated/permitted to report abuse or neglect of children and incapacitated or dependent adults CPS and APS may report animal cruelty, abuse, or neglect seen while in an official capacity
Massachusetts	ALM GL ch. 119, § 85	Law enforcement officers	Any employee of the Department of Children and Families (DCF) or employee in contract with DCF	Animal welfare officers are not specifically mentioned DCF employees may report animal cruelty, abuse, or neglect
Nebraska	R.R.S. Neb. §§ 28-711	Any employee of a governmental agency dealing with animal control or animal abuse	Any employee of a governmental agency dealing with child or adult protective services	Everyone is mandated reporter of child abuse in Nebraska CPS and APS shall report if an animal has been abandoned, cruelly neglected or mistreated

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Ohio	ORC §§ 1717.14, 2151.421	Local and state humane society agents	--	Humane society agents are mandated reporters and may remove children from their caretaker due to cruelty or the surroundings
Tennessee	Tenn. Code § 38-1-402, 403		Any state, county, or municipal employee of a child or adult protective services agency	Everyone in Tennessee is a mandated reporter CPS and APS shall report animal cruelty, abuse, and neglect
Virginia	Va. Code § 63.2-1509	Any law enforcement or animal control officer	--	The named people in animal welfare fields are mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect
Washington, D.C	Code §§ 4-1321.02, 22-1002.01	Humane officer of any agency charged with the enforcement of animal cruelty laws	Any law enforcement or child protective services employee	Humane officers are mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect Law enforcement and CPS employees shall provide a report regarding animal cruelty, abandonment, neglect, observes an animal at the home of person reasonably suspected of child, adult or animal abuse
West Virginia	Code §§7-10-2, 9-6-9a, 48-27 702, 49-6A-2b	Humane officers	Child Protective Services and Adult Protective Services employees	Humane officers are mandated to report abuse and neglect of children and incapacitated or elderly adults. Also must report domestic violence

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