Abstract

The topic of this thesis is civil aspects of animal ownership. The aim of this study is to analyze the specific civil aspects of ownership of animals, for example horses, in contractual relations and tort liability as well as a brief comparison of the issue with Austrian and Slovak legislation.

The focus of this work lies in the analysis of the applicability of the relevant provisions of the Civil Code or the need for specific contractual provisions in the contractual relations and further analysis of the individual types of tort liability and their relationships.

The thesis consists of three main chapters further divided into subsections. The comparison with foreign legislation is contained in the final subsection of each chapter.

The first chapter briefly discusses—the status of the animal as an object of legal relations and the subjects of those legal relations.

The second chapter deals with the most common legal relations of contracts relating to horses. Those are the commencement and ownership transfer to the horse by increment, donation and purchase and legal relations associated with commercial stabling which are custody, lease and work.

The third chapter deals with damage liability caused by animal, liability from operational activity and liability for object taken into custody, taking into account the specifics of the operation of commercial stabling and the functioning of equestrian clubs.