

When is my dog required to be licensed?

- When the dog has its adult canine teeth or is six months of age, whichever comes first, or
- Within 30 days of becoming the owner or keeper of the dog, or
- Within 30 days of moving into the County.

What documents are required for licensing?

- ✓ A valid rabies vaccination certificate issued and signed by a licensed veterinarian. *Rabies certificates must be valid for the duration of the licensing period.*
- ✓ A certificate of sterilization to receive the spay/neuter “altered” rate if not indicated on the rabies vaccination certificate.
- ✓ If your dog was impounded at the Willamette Humane Society, include the pink copy of your Dog License Security Agreement.

Where do I obtain a dog license?

You can license by mail or in person at the Polk County Sheriff's Office, 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR 97338.

If you live within the city limits of Dallas, Independence or Monmouth, you will need to license your dog(s) with those agencies.

How much does it cost?

Licensing Fees

| | 1-year | 2-year | 3-year |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Spayed/Neutered | \$15 | \$25 | \$35 |
| Non-altered dog | \$30 | \$55 | \$80 |

If the rabies certificate expires in less than 12 months, a pro-rated fee is available if licensing in person at the Sheriff's Office.

Note: Fees are subject to change without notice.

Late Fees

In addition to the licensing fees listed above, following are the late penalties *per dog* for failure to purchase a dog license as required:

1. **Voluntary Licensing** (the owner or keeper voluntarily licenses): **\$10**

2. **Non-voluntary Licensing** **\$50**
This is licensing that occurs as a result of impoundment of the dog, offenses occurring off the owner's property, and/or other offenses specified in county ordinance.

In addition to the late fee, each dog owned, kept, or impounded must be micro-chipped and registered with an approved national database. A registration certificate from a national registry is required.

Payment Information

Please review the fee schedule and write the payment total and type below.

Payment Total: \$ _____

Cash Check # _____

Money Order

Payable in person by cash, credit, check or money order; via mail by check or money order only.

Make checks payable to PCSO.

Please do not send cash in the mail.

Dog License Application

Please Print

Last Name _____

First Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____

Zip Code _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____

Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Other Phone _____

Emergency Contact Person _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____

1. **Dog's Name** _____

Breed _____ Color _____

Male Female Age _____

Altered Micro chip Fee _____

2. **Dog's Name** _____

Breed _____ Color _____

Male Female Age _____

Altered Micro chip Fee _____

3. **Dog's Name** _____

Breed _____ Color _____

Male Female Age _____

Altered Micro chip Fee _____

What is the purpose of Dog Control?

To make Polk County a better place in which to live and work by contributing to the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens and animals through education, mediation, and enforcement.

Why should I license my dog?

- It's the law. Under ORS 609.100, all dogs within the State of Oregon are required to be licensed with the city or county in which they reside.
- Failure to license your dog can result in a citation and fine.
- A license tag on your dog shows compliance with the rabies laws established by the State to protect the health and welfare of your pet and our community.
- Failure to obtain a rabies vaccination for any dog of licensing age is a misdemeanor, and can result in a citation.
- The license tag can identify a lost dog and helps in getting the dog back to its owner.

My dog is missing. What should I do?

If your dog should become lost, be sure to contact your local shelter, veterinarian, and law enforcement agency where the dog was last seen. Polk County lodges all impounded dogs at Willamette Humane Society, (503) 585-5900, unless otherwise authorized by the Polk County Sheriff's Office. Following are local law enforcement agencies you can contact:

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|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Benton County Sheriff's Office | (541) 766-0732 |
| Dallas Police Department | (503) 831-3516 |
| Independence Police Dept | (503) 838-1214 |
| Marion County Sheriff's Office | (503) 588-5233 |
| Monmouth Police Department | (503) 838-1109 |
| Polk County Sheriff's Office | (503) 623-9251 |
| Yamhill County Sheriff's Office | (503) 434-7538 |

Police Dog (K-9) Program

Since 2004 the Polk County Sheriff's Office has operated a very productive Police Dog (K-9) program. We were able to start this valuable program because caring, concerned citizens of Polk County donated money and supplies to get us started, and helped us continue the program since its inception.

Our last remaining police dog, Drug Detection K-9 Vader, has retired due to medical issues. Vader has been with the Polk County Sheriff's Office since 2006. K-9 Vader is a certified Narcotics Detection dog and has re-certified annually through the Oregon Police Canine Association.

During Vader's six years with the Polk County Sheriff's Office he has been instrumental in numerous drug investigations, not only in Polk County, but surrounding counties as well. Vader has found thousands of dollars worth of illegal drugs, money used in illegal drug sales, and related equipment used in illegal drug use. Vader was a vital tool in our efforts to curb illegal drug use and sales within the area.

This important program is funded exclusively by donations, and we need your help to ensure that it continues. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to help us acquire and care for a new Drug Detection dog, and continue our K-9 program well into the future. Your generous donation goes exclusively toward this program.

Thank you!



Vader

Polk County K-9 Program donation: \$_____.

Polk County Sheriff's Office



ANIMAL CONTROL

Information and Application
for Licensing Your Dog
in Polk County



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Dallas, Oregon 97338

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