

Polk County Animal Rescue Entity (ARE)

Animal rescue entity – Record keeping.

A. An animal rescue entity shall maintain a record for each animal that identifies:

1. The sex, breed type and date of birth for the animal or, if the date of birth is unknown, the approximate age of the animal;
2. The date the animal rescue entity acquired possession, control or charge of the animal, the source of the animal, and weight of the animal upon intake;
3. A photograph of the animal taken within 24 hours of intake by the animal rescue entity;
4. The number of offspring the animal produced while in the possession or control of the animal rescue entity, if applicable; and
5. The disposition the animal rescue entity makes of each animal possessed by, controlled by or in the charge of the animal rescue entity, including the date of disposition, manner of disposition and the name and address for any individual or organization taking possession, control or charge of an animal.

B. An animal rescue entity shall permit an authorized representative of Marion County to inspect the records of the animal rescue entity required by this section and an animal rescue entity shall furnish reports and information as required by Marion County.

C. A person commits a violation for failure to comply with the record keeping and inspection requirements in this section. [ORS 609.415, and ORS 609.420]

To assist Rescue Entities with the above mentioned record keeping requirements the following is a checklist of what a standard animal record should contain:

- Sex, breed, age or DOB if known and type of animal.
- Weight of animal at intake.
- Date Rescue acquired the animal, how the animal was acquired or who it was acquired from.
- Photo of animal within 24 hours of intake or date of possession.
- Number of offspring the animal produced while in possession of rescue entity (if any).
- Disposition of animal, date of disposition, manner of disposition.
- Name and address for any individual or organization taking possession or control over the animal.

If you have any questions or need assistance with the above requirement please feel free to contact the Sheriff's Office.

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