

# Licensing

You can teach your child your name and address or tuck a note with the information in the child's pocket.

But your pet can't tell a police officer your address or pull out an ID card.

The only place your pet can carry the information that will get it safely home is around its neck. A collar with your name and address and an up-to-date license from Clatsop County Animal Control can help get your pet home safely.

Keep your pet with a collar, tag and license.

## **All Clatsop County residents are required by law to license their dogs annually ([ORS 609.100](#))**

- A license is required even when the dog is always indoors or on a farm.
- Residents of Seaside and Gearhart are required to license their dogs through their local police departments.
- Dogs are required to wear their license tag at all times when not on the premises of their owner.
- There is no licensing required for cats or other types of domestic animals, although the shelter offers pet licenses for these animals.



**Licenses can be purchased or renewed in person or through the mail using this license application form in English or Spanish.**

[Dog License- English](#)

[Dog License- Spanish](#)

**Why license your pet?**



The dog license program exists for several important reasons. A license:

- Tells everyone that your dog is not a homeless stray.
- Guarantees a warm shelter, a full stomach and tender loving care until we can reach you by phone or letter if your “best friend” is lost and placed in our shelter.
- Promises, if needed, we’ll get your canine companion emergency medical treatment.
- Enables Animal Control to protect neighborhoods just like yours.

- Helps keep the human and dog population from being infected by the **rabies virus**.
- Enhances the quick return of lost dogs to their owners or keepers.
- **It's the law.** ([ORS 609.100](#))

**Licensing is easy.**



For your convenience, Clatsop County has switched to a year-round licensing program. You can buy either a license that is good for one year from the date of issue or a license that is good for three years.

Renewing your dog’s license is easy. We issue long-lasting aluminum tags as your dog’s permanent tag. Just send in your payment to renew the license in our records. No need to remove and put a new tag on your dog’s collar each year.

One-year licenses expire one year from the month of purchase. Three-year licenses expire three years from the month of purchase. You have until the last day of that month for renewal without a late penalty.

**When do I need to obtain a license?**





## All dogs must be licensed at:

- 6 months of age, or
- When they have permanent canine teeth, or
- Within 30 days of acquisition, or
- Within 60 days after new residents move into Clatsop County.

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## What documents will I need?

- A current rabies inoculation certificate.
- For altered dogs, the spay or neuter certificate or a written statement from your veterinarian.

## Dog License Costs:



- **Spayed/Neutered:**

- \$15 one year
- \$40 three years

- **Not Spayed/Neutered:**

- \$30 one year
- \$90 three years

- **Senior citizen discount:**

65 or older (Dog must be neutered)

- \$10 one year
- \$25 three years

- **Fees:**

- Late with no enforcement action: \$15
- Late with enforcement action: \$30

- **Replacement license:**

- Replacement metal tag: \$10

No discounts for multiple or fertile dogs

## Where can I get a license?



Licenses can be purchased or renewed in person or through the mail using this license application form in **English** or **Spanish**.

Licenses are also available in person at these vendors:

- **Bayshore Animal Hospital**, Warrenton
- **Cannon Beach City Hall**, Cannon Beach
- Clatsop County Animal Control and Shelter
- Clatsop County Clerk's Office

- Two Old Goats Farm and Feed

**Residents of Seaside and Gearhart are required to license their dogs through their local Police Departments.**

If you have questions about licensing, please call (503) 861-7387

## Supporting Documents

Fillable English Dog License Brochure.pdf 2.48 MB

Fillable Spanish Dog License Brochure.pdf 2.47 MB

Address

1315 SE 19th Street  
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