

Dog Registration Information

Why do I need to register my dog?

The Dog Control Act 2000 (**the Act**) requires that owners of a dog aged over 6 months must register the dog and may not conceal or dispose of a dog to evade registration.

Dog owners are also required under the Act to implant their dog in an approved manner with an approved microchip.

Registering your dog allows Council to provide quality dog management services to the community.

How do I register my dog?

To register your dog, you can complete and return the 'Application for Dog Registration' form which is available on Council's website or visiting the Council Office.

You should register your dog with the Council that governs the property where the dog is usually kept.

Completed forms can be returned with payment to dorset@dorset.tas.gov.au or via post to Dorset Council, C/- Animal Registrations, PO Box 21, Scottsdale TAS 7260.

Why does my dog need a registration medallion?

When your dog is in a public place it must wear a collar with the registration medallion attached. This assists our Animal Control Officer to quickly return your dog if it is found.

Can I transfer my dog's registration?

Dog Registrations can be transferred from one owner to another or from another Council to Dorset Council. You will need to contact Council to arrange this change over.

What do I do if my dog dies, I change my contact details, or I sell/give away the dog?

You should notify Council of these changes as soon as possible by phone, email or visiting the office in person.

If you have sold or given away your dog, you are still liable for the dog's actions until you have notified Council of the new owner's details.

What registration options are available?

Since 1 July 2022 Dorset Council no longer offers annual dog registrations.

Lifetime registrations are the sole method of dog registration offered to owners within Dorset.

To be eligible for a desexed dog registration, you must provide evidence that the dog is desexed.

Dog Type	Fee
Lifetime	
Non-Desexed Dog	\$163.00
Desexed, Working, Purebred or Greyhound	\$95.00
Pensioner-Owned Dog	\$63.00
Guide Dog	No Charge
Guard Dog	\$500.00

Need more
information or
assistance?

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