

Re-home a Dog

Dogs which are suitable for rehoming are available for a fee from the Dog Shelter.

Stray dogs

Stray dogs may be seized by the Council's Dog Wardens. They will be brought to the Dog Shelter where they will be kept for five days in order for their owners to reclaim them. Stray dogs are photographed and pictures are posted on the Council's website and on the shelter Facebook Page to help owners find their lost pet.

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Responsible Dog Ownership

A Guide on How To Be A Better Dog Owner

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Dog Fouling

Dog faeces is a health hazard and may cause Salmonella or an infection called Toxocariasis which can pass to humans through contact with contaminated faeces. Allowing dogs to foul in public places is not acceptable. Under the Litter Pollution Act 1997-2009, dog owners are legally obliged to clean up after their dogs if they foul in public places.

If you do not clean up after your pet, you are liable to receive an **on-the-spot fine of €150**. Failure to pay this fine can result in prosecution with a **maximum fine of €4000** if convicted. Contact the Litter Warden on **01 414 9000** to report dog owners who do not clean up after their pets.

Noise Pollution

Excessive dog barking that causes a nuisance is a legal offence. If you are bothered by persistent barking, talk to the owner in question. If this does not work, under the Control of Dogs Act 1986, you can lodge an official complaint with your local District Court on the appropriate form.

Dog Licences

Every dog has to have a licence. **Annual Licences**, which must be renewed every year, **cost €20** and **Lifetime Licences cost €140**. They can be purchased at any Post Offices or online at www.licences.ie. If you do not have a dog licence the Dog Warden can issue an **on-the-spot fine of €100**. Failure to pay this fine can result in prosecution with a **maximum fine of €2,500** and/or up to 3 months imprisonment if convicted.



Identification of Dogs

All dogs must be identifiable by a badge or plate attached to their collar with the name and contact details of the owner. If you do not have identification for your dog, you are liable to receive an **on-the-spot fine of €100**. Failure to pay this fine can result in prosecution with a **maximum fine of €2,500** and/or up to 3 months imprisonment if convicted. Additional fitting of a microchip may also assist in the retrieval of your dog should they get lost.

Keeping Your Dog Under Control

Dogs must be kept under control at all times. It is a legal requirement under the Control of Dogs Act, 1986, that a dog must be under effectual control at all times when outside of the premises of the owner/person in charge of the dog.



The following types of dogs **MUST be muzzled** at all times when out in public

1. American Pit Bull Terrier
2. Bull Mastiff
3. Doberman Pinscher
4. English Bull Terrier
5. German Shepherd
6. Japanese Akita
7. Japanese Tosa
8. Rhodesian Ridgeback
9. Rottweiler
10. Staffordshire Bull Terrier
11. **Any crossbreed of the above.**

You are liable to an on-the-spot fine of €100 for non-muzzling non-leashing, or allowing these dogs to be lead by a person not over the age of 16 years. Failure to pay this fine can result in prosecution with a maximum fine of €2,500 and/or up to 3 months imprisonment if convicted.

Unwanted dogs

Unwanted dogs may be brought to the Dog Warden or the Dog Shelter where they will be accepted free of charge on production of a valid Dog Licence. Spaying and neutering are the surgical procedures used to stop dogs from having puppies. Your Vet can perform the procedure and your dog will be fully healed within two weeks. Vets will also vaccinate your dog against a range of diseases.

