



STATE OF
MAINE

Contact your Town Office
to license your dog.

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STOP ANIMAL
CRUELTY IN
MAINE

LICENSE
YOUR
DOG

YOU CAN SAVE ANOTHER
ANIMAL'S LIFE!



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If You Are Licensing Your Dog For the First Time in MAINE:

1. You must have a current rabies vaccination certificate issued by a licensed veterinarian.
2. You must have an accurate description of your dog, including your dog's name, breed, sex, color and the year born.
3. You must have a written statement from your veterinarian that clearly states your pet is altered and/or sterile to qualify for the low cost altered license fee.
4. You must have the required licensing fee, i.e. \$11.00 for unaltered fertile dog and \$6.00 for altered or sterile dog.



WHY LICENSE YOUR DOG?:

1. Because rabies is increasing in Maine, licensing helps to insure public safety by requiring proof of a valid rabies vaccination before a license is issued.
2. **By licensing your dog YOU are directly helping the fight against animal cruelty and abuse.** Up to 90% of the dog license fees collected go directly to the State of Maine Animal Welfare Program to support cruelty investigations.
3. By licensing your dog you are demonstrating responsible pet ownership. Displaying a current State of Maine tag on your dog's collar shows that you have taken a necessary step toward your responsibility to your pet's well being and the community's safety.



Be Responsible...
License Your Dog!
**IT IS THE
LAW !!!**

Excerpts From the State of Maine Animal Welfare Laws and Regulations:

Chapter 721

Sub. 3921. A dog may not be kept within the limits of the State, unless the dog has been licensed by its owner or keeper in accordance with the laws of this State.

Sub. 3922

License: January 1st. Each owner or keeper of a dog at the age of 6 months or more, on or before January 1st of each year shall obtain a license.

Proof of immunization.

A municipal clerk may not issue a license for a dog until the applicant has filed with the clerk proof that the dog has been immunized against rabies.

Rabies Tags.

An owner shall ensure that a rabies tag obtained from a veterinarian for immunization from rabies is securely attached to a collar of leather, metal, or material of comparable strength and that the collar is worn at all times by the dog for which the rabies tag was issued.