



Dog Licensing & Control Laws.

Where Do I Get a Dog License?

Dog license pricing information is available on the Franklin County Auditor's Dog License website.


www.franklincountyauditor.com/dogs/dog-licensing

You may purchase your dog license online or in person at any of these other locations:

- **Franklin County Dog Shelter**
4340 Tamarack Blvd
Columbus, OH 43224
614-525-3647
- **Franklin County Auditor**
373 S. High St., 21st floor
Columbus, OH 43215
614-525-3260
- **Columbus Humane**
3015 Scioto Darby Executive Ct.,
Hilliard, OH 43026
614-777-7387
- **Pet Supplies Plus**
4886 Morse Rd. @ 775-9944
1380 W. Lane Ave. @ 487-1274
8170 E. Broad St., @ 892-2300

Who Enforces Dog License Laws?

The primary mission of Franklin County Animal Care and Control is to enforce the dog laws in Franklin County and keep the public safe from animal-related health and safety dangers (i.e. loose/unlicensed dogs).



What are Dangerous Dog Laws?

Effective May 22, 2012, the state of Ohio no longer defines a "breed of dog commonly known as a pit bull" as a vicious dog. However, any dog may be designated as vicious, dangerous or a nuisance based on its actions. Any law enforcement officer, dog warden or animal control officer may make this designation.

There are currently three designations a dog can receive: Nuisance, Dangerous, or Vicious. *More information on **Dog Designations** can be found at the Environmental Court's website.*

Does my dog need a rabies shot?

All dogs in Franklin County over three months of age must be currently immunized against rabies by a licensed Veterinarian. This is a requirement of the Franklin County Boards of Health.

General Tips for Dog Owners

- All dogs regardless of age must be kept confined on the property of the owner, keeper or harbinger at all times.
- Acceptable methods of confinement include a fence, a tethering device, a dog pen, inside a house or garage, or under adequate supervision.
- If you are walking your dog off of your property, you must maintain reasonable control over your dog so that it doesn't run away (the best way to do this is to keep the dog on a leash).

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