

CHAPTER 56

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56.01 ANNUAL LICENSE REQUIRED.

1. Every owner of a dog or cat over the age of six months shall procure a license from the Clerk on or before January 1 of each year.
2. Such license may be procured after January 1 and at any time for a dog or cat that has come into the possession or ownership of the applicant or that has reached the age of six months after said date.
3. The owner of a dog or cat for which a license is required shall apply to the Clerk on forms provided by the City.
4. The form of the application shall state the breed, sex, age, color, markings, and name, if any, of the dog or cat, and the address of the owner and shall be signed by the owner. The application shall also state the date of the most recent rabies vaccination, the type of vaccine administered and the date the animal shall be revaccinated.
5. All licenses shall expire on January 1 of the year following the date of issuance.

56.02 LICENSE FEES. There shall be a one-time license fee for each animal, in the amount of \$5.00.

56.03 DELINQUENCY. All license fees shall become delinquent on July 1 of the year in which they are due and a delinquent penalty of one dollar (\$1.00) shall be added to each unpaid license on and after said date.

56.04 LICENSE TAGS. Upon receipt of the application and fee, the Clerk shall deliver or mail to the owner a license that shall be in the form of a metal tag stamped with the serial number of the license as shown on the record book of the Clerk, the year in which it is issued, and the name of the City. The license tag shall be securely fastened by the owner to a collar or harness that shall be worn at all times by the dog or cat for which issued. A license issued for one animal shall not be transferable to another. Upon the expiration of the license, the owner shall remove said tag from the dog or cat.

56.05 LICENSE RECORDS. The Clerk shall keep a book to be known as the record of licenses; such record shall show:

1. The serial number and date of each application for a license.
2. The description of the dog or cat as specified in the application, together with the name of the owner of the dog or cat.
3. The date when each license tag is issued and the serial number of each tag, the date of the most recent rabies vaccination, the type of vaccine administered, and the date the animal shall be revaccinated.

4. The amount of all fees paid.
5. Such other data as may be required by law.

56.06 IMMUNIZATION. Before a license is issued, the owner shall furnish a veterinarian's certificate showing that the dog or cat for which the license is sought has been vaccinated against rabies, and that the vaccination does not expire within six months from the effective date of the license. A tag showing evidence of proper vaccination shall at all times be attached to the collar of the dog or cat.

56.07 DUPLICATE TAGS. Upon the filing of an affidavit that the license tag has been lost or destroyed, the owner may obtain another tag on the payment of twenty-five cents (25¢) and the Clerk shall enter in the license record the new number assigned.

56.08 TRANSFERS OF LICENSED ANIMALS. Upon transfer of a licensed dog or cat into the City, the owner shall surrender the original license tag to the Clerk. The Clerk shall preserve the surrendered tag and, without a license fee, issue a new license tag.

56.09 KENNEL DOGS AND CATS. Dogs kept in State or federally licensed kennels, which are kept or raised solely for the bona fide purpose of sale and which are kept under constant restraint, are not subject to the provisions of this chapter.