

The Corporation of the Municipality of Clarington By-Law 2013-024

Being a By-law respecting responsible pet ownership.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CLARINGTON

BY-LAW 2013-024

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WHEREAS Section 11 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* confers the power to pass by-laws respecting animals to lower-tier municipalities;

WHEREAS under Subsection 8(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* a by-law respecting a matter may (a) regulate or prohibit the matter; (b) require persons to do things respecting the matter; and (c) provide for a system of licences respecting the matter;

WHEREAS Section 103 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* confers the power upon a municipality to pass a by-law to provide for the seizure and impounding of animals being at large or trespassing and the sale of impounded animals under certain conditions;

WHEREAS Section 105 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* requires that a hearing be held on whether to exempt the owner of a dog in whole or in part from muzzling requirements imposed by the municipality when so requested by the dog owner; and

WHEREAS the Municipality promotes the humane treatment of animals and responsible pet ownership.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Clarington hereby enacts as follows:

PART 1 - INTERPRETATION

Definitions

1.1 In this by-law,

"Agricultural Zone" means an "Agricultural (A)" zone in a Zoning By-law;

"altered", in the case of a female pet, means spayed or otherwise operated on by a licensed veterinarian to prevent conception and, in the case of a male pet, means neutered or castrated by a licensed veterinarian;

"Animal Services Officer" means a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer whose duties include the enforcement of this by-law;

"at large" means found on any property other than the pet owner's property (unless prior consent is given by the person owning or occupying the property) and not under a person's control;

"cat" means a feline of any breed of domesticated carnivore of the species *felis catus*;

"dog" means a domesticated carnivore of the species canis lupus;

"DOLA" means the Dog Owners' Liability Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. D.16;

"feral cat" means a cat that lives primarily exclusively outdoors with limited human contact and is un-socialized;

"keep", when used in relation to a pet, means to temporarily or permanently harbour, have custody of, possess or own;

"leash" means a strap, cord or chain that is designed to restrain the breed of pet it is controlling;

"Leash Free Area" means an area designated by the Municipality in which dogs are not required to be on a leash;

"Municipal Clerk" means Clerk of the Municipality or a designate;

"Municipality" means The Corporation of the Municipality of Clarington or the geographic area of Clarington, as the context requires;

"Municipal Act, 2001" means the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25;

"muzzle" means a humane device designed to fit over the mouth of a dog and fitted to prevent it from biting, without interfering with its breathing, panting, vision or ability to drink;

"Order to Comply" means an order issued in accordance with section 4.14;

"Order to Restrain" means an order issued in accordance with section 4.1;

"owner", when used in relation to a pet, includes a person who keeps a pet and, where such person is under the age of 16, the person responsible for the custody of the person who is under the age of 16;

"permanent identification" means an electronic microchip encoded with identification information that has been implanted in a pet;

"person" includes an individual, association, firm, partnership, corporation, trust, organization, trustee, or agent, and their heirs, executors, or legal representatives;

"pet" means a cat or a dog;

"pit bull" has the same meaning as in section 1 of DOLA;

"property" means one or more habitable rooms designed or intended to be used together as a single and separate housekeeping unit by one or more persons containing its own kitchen and sanitary facilities with a private entrance from outside the unit itself, and includes any land associated with such rooms and facilities;

"restricted pit bull" means a dog identified as such in section 7 of DOLA;

"Shelter" means the Clarington Animal Shelter;

"special needs dog" means a guide dog as defined in section 1 of the *Blind Persons' Rights Act,* R.S.O. 1990, c. B.7 or a specially trained and certified dog whose purpose is to assist a disabled person with his or her daily activities;

"under a person's control" means on a leash held by a person over the age of 16 years or otherwise physically restrained in such a manner as to prevent the pet from biting or attacking a person or pet and to prevent contact with people and other animals; and

"Zoning By-law" means a by-law passed by the Municipality pursuant to section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13 and includes Zoning By-law 84-63 and Oak Ridges Moraine Zoning By-law 2005-109.

References

- 1.2 In this by-law, reference to any Act or By-Law is reference to that Act or By-Law as it is amended or re-enacted from time to time.
- 1.3 Unless otherwise specified, references in this by-law to sections and subsections are references to sections and subsections in this by-law.

Word Usage

- 1.4 This by-law shall be read with all changes in gender or number as the context requires.
- 1.5 A grammatical variation of a word or expression defined has a corresponding meaning.

Application

1.6 This by-law applies to all pets being kept in the Municipality unless otherwise specified.

- 1.7 This By-law shall not apply to pets kept at,
 - (a) Bowmanville Zoo, the Orono Cat World, and any other facility accredited by the Canadian Association of Zoological Parks and Aquaria;
 - (b) any facility being run by the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals;
 - (c) a veterinary hospital under the care of a licensed veterinarian;
 - (d) any television or film studio temporarily for the purpose of a television or film production;
 - (e) pet shops; or
 - (f) any premises under the authority or control of a law enforcement agency.

Schedule

1.8 Schedule "A" (Fees) is attached to and forms part of this by-law.

Severability

1.9 Each section of this by-law is an independent section, and the holding of any section or part of any section of this by-law to be void or ineffective for any reason shall not be deemed to affect the validity of any other sections of this by-law.

Conflict

1.10 Nothing in this by-law is intended to derogate from any of the powers a poundkeeper under the *Pounds Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.17.

PART 2 - LICENSING

- 2.1 Every owner of a pet that is over the age of 12 weeks shall obtain a licence for the pet from the Municipality and pay a licence fee set out in Schedule "A".
- 2.2 Every person who becomes a pet owner at any time during the calendar year shall obtain a licence for the pet within 14 days of becoming its owner.
- 2.3 Every owner of a special needs dog shall license such dog but shall not be required to pay any licence fee.

- 2.4 Where a pet owner is a non-resident of the Municipality and his or her pet will not be kept in the Municipality longer than 30 days in any 1 calendar year, such owner shall not be required to license its pet if the Municipality is provided with proof of current registration of the pet from the municipality in which the owner's property is located.
- 2.5 Every licence shall be valid for 1 year form the date of issue.
- 2.6 To obtain a licence, a pet owner shall provide,
 - (a) his or her name, address, home and business telephone number;
 - (b) the pet's breed, unique markings and name; and
 - (c) such other information as the Municipal Clerk may require.
- 2.7 A record shall be kept by the Municipality of all information provided as well as the licence number and the date on which the licence was issued.
- 2.8 An identification tag shall be issued for every licensed pet that shows the pet's licence number and the period for which the licence has been issued.
- 2.9 A pet owner shall ensure that the identification tag issued by the Municipality is kept securely affixed to its pet at all times.
- 2.10 No person shall affix or permit to be affixed an identification tag issued by the Municipality to any pet other than the pet for which the licence was issued.
- 2.11 The Municipal Clerk may refuse to issue a licence to any person.
- 2.12 Every owner shall notify the Municipality in writing if its pet is sold, gifted or otherwise transferred to another person within 14 days of the change of ownership.
- 2.13 Notwithstanding section 2.1, a feral cat that is spayed/neutered, ear clipped, microchipped and vaccinated is exempt from the licensing requirement.

PART 3 – REGULATIONS

Minimum Care Requirements

3.1 Every pet owner shall provide the pet or cause it to be provided with adequate and appropriate food and water, medical attention, resting and sleeping area, space to move, sanitary conditions, ventilation, light and protection from the elements including harmful temperatures.

- 3.2 In addition to the requirements of section 3.1, where a dog primarily lives outdoors, its owner shall,
 - (a) provide a structurally sound, weatherproof, insulated enclosure, of a size and design appropriate for the dog, with off-the-ground flooring;
 - (b) ensure that any chain, rope or similar restraining device used to tether the dog is at least 3 metres long, allows the dog to move safely and unrestricted (except by length) and allows the dog to have access to appropriate water and shelter; and
 - (c) ensure that the dog is kept on the owner's property.
- 3.3 Section 3.2 shall not apply to a dog that is relied on as part of animal husbandry.
- 3.4 Every owner of an unaltered female pet shall keep it confined in a manner that will not attract other animals during each period that the pet is in heat.

Pets At Large

- 3.5 No pet owner shall permit the pet to be at large anywhere in the Municipality other than in a Leash Free Area.
- 3.6 No pet owner shall permit the pet, whether leashed or unleashed, to enter onto private property without the consent of the owner or occupant of the property.
- 3.7 While in any park, no pet owner shall permit the pet, even if it is on a leash, to enter any beach, pond, swimming area, farm area, garden, landscaped area, playground or sports area.
- 3.7.1 A feral cat that is spayed/neutered, ear clipped, microchipped, vaccinated and not interfering with a resident's enjoyment of property is not deemed to be at large.

Biting

3.8 No dog owner shall allow its dog to bite a person or another domestic animal.

Leash Free Areas

- 3.9 No person shall bring into a Leash Free Area,
 - (a) a female dog in heat;
 - (b) a dog without up-to-date vaccinations;
 - (c) a dog wearing a spike, chain or pinch collar;
 - (d) any animal other than a dog;

- (e) an unaltered male dog;
- (f) a restricted pit bull; or
- (g) a dog that must be muzzled or leashed in accordance with an Order to Restrain, an order issued by any other municipality or a court order under DOLA.
- 3.10 Every person who brings a dog into a Leash Free Area shall,
 - (a) be least 16 years of age and capable of controlling the dog;
 - (b) ensure that the dog is adhering to verbal commands to prevent it from lunging, attacking, biting or interfering with any person or another dog;
 - (c) ensure that the dog is within sight at all times;
 - (d) immediately leash and remove the dog from the Leash Free Area if it creates a nuisance or shows aggressive behaviour towards any person or other dog;
 - (e) immediately leash and remove the dog from the Leash Free Area at the request of an Animal Services Officer, if, in the opinion of the Animal Services Officer, the dog is showing signs of aggressive behaviour towards any person or other dog, is creating a nuisance, or is otherwise causing a breach of any provision of this by-law;
 - (f) keep the dog on leash until it is inside the double gate;
 - (g) put the dog on leash before exiting the double gate;
 - (h) carry a suitable leash at all times for the dog; and
 - (i) not leave the dog unattended.
- 3.11 No person shall bring more than 3 dogs into a Leash Free Area.
- 3.12 Children under 6 years of age are prohibited from entering a Leash Free Area.
- 3.13 Children between 6 and 12 years of age must be supervised by an adult attendant while in a Leash Free Area.
- 3.14 No person shall bring in to or possess while in a Leash Free Area,
 - (a) any bottles, containers or any other articles equipment, or utensils, made of glass, china, ceramic or other breakable substance capable of causing injury to a dog; or
 - (b) any food, including human or canine variety.

- 3.15 No person shall conduct classes or professional training within a Leash Free Area.
- 3.16 Every person who brings a dog into a Leash Free Area shall be responsible for its behaviour and any injuries or damage that it may cause.

Number of Pets Allowed

- 3.17 No person shall keep more than 3 unaltered cats on a property.
- 3.18 Notwithstanding section 3.17, a person shall be allowed to keep up to 5 cats on a property if they have all been altered and permanently identified.
- 3.19 Sections 3.17 and 3.18 shall not apply to property in an Agricultural Zone.
- 3.20 (1) No person shall keep more than 3 dogs on a property without a permit.

(2) Generally, a permit to keep more than 3 dogs on a property shall only be approved by the Municipal Clerk if a person moves from a property outside of the Municipality and the dogs were permitted in the municipality from which the person relocated, or two families merge and collectively they own more than 3 dogs.

3.21 (1) In this section, "board" means to take in for a temporary period of time for financial gain.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection 3.20(1), an owner of property in an Agricultural Zone may keep 3 or fewer dogs that have been licensed to the owner in accordance with this by-law and, in addition, may board 3 or fewer dogs.

- 3.22 Section 3.20 shall not apply to any owner who keeps on property in an Agricultural Zone,
 - (a) more than 3 dogs if on the date that this by-law was passed the dogs were licensed with the Municipality;
 - (b) sled dogs provided the sled dog owner provides proof acceptable to the Municipal Clerk of active participation or registration of the dogs in dog sled or similar races within the previous or impending 12 months;
 - (c) hunting dogs provided the hunting dog owner provides proof of,
 - (i) active membership in the Canadian Kennel club for registered hunting dogs;
 - (ii) active membership in an association for the purpose of hunting dogs training or trailing;
 - (iii) a hunting dog licence issued by the Ministry of Natural Resources within the previous 12 months; or

- (iv) other proof acceptable by the Municipal Clerk of hunting activities in the previous or impending 12 month.
- (d) farming dogs provided the farming dog owner provides proof acceptable to the Municipal Clerk that the dogs are required as part of animal husbandry; or
- (e) show dogs provided the show dog owner provides proof acceptable to the Municipal Clerk of,
 - (i) active membership in the Canadian Kennel Club or any other association incorporated under the animal Pedigree (Canada); or
 - (ii) participation in the previous or impending 12 month period in an approved dog show if it is an event, whether held in Ontario or elsewhere, that is sanctioned, in writing, by the Canadian Kennel Club, the United Kennel Club, the American Kennel Club, or the American Dog Breeders Association.

Stoop and Scoop

- 3.23 Every pet owner shall immediately remove and dispose of, in a hygienic manner, all excrement left by the pet on any property, other than the owner's property.
- 3.24 Section 3.23 does not apply to,
 - (a) an owner of a special needs dog, where the owner is unable to remove the excrement due to a physical disability or impediment; or
 - (b) a blind or visually impaired owner of a special needs dog if the excrement was left while the special needs dog was on property other than the owner's property.
- 3.25 Every dog owner shall remove from his or her property, in a timely manner, excrement left by the dog, so as not to disturb the comfort of any person in the vicinity of the owner's property.

Pit Bulls

3.26 Every restricted pit bull owner shall ensure that the restricted pit bull is equipped with a muzzle and secured by a leash when it is not in a pen or other enclosure such that prevents it from leaving the owner's property or the property of a person who has consented to the restricted pit bull being off leash or off muzzle.

- 3.27 Where a restricted pit bull is required to be secured by a leash, its owner shall ensure that,
 - (a) it is properly fitted with a collar or harness;
 - (b) its movement is controlled by means of a leash attached to the collar or harness;
 - (c) the leash is not more than 1.8 metres in length; and
 - (d) the collar or harness, the leash and the attachment between the Leash and the collar or harness are all strong enough to prevent the restricted pit bull from breaking any of them.
- 3.28 All restricted pit bulls brought into the Municipality for the purpose of a "dog show" as defined in O. Reg. 157/05, must comply with all requirements of that Regulation.

PART 4 – ENFORCEMENT

Orders to Restrain

- 4.1 Where an Animal Services Officer has investigated and is satisfied that a dog has,
 - (a) behaved in a manner that poses a menace to the safety of persons or domestic animals;
 - (b) bitten or attacked a person or domestic animal; or
 - (c) on more than one occasion, allowed his or her dog to be at large;

the Animal Services Officer may issue an Order to Restrain.

- 4.2 An Order to Restrain may require the dog's owner to take whatever action an Animal Services Officer feels is necessary in order to ensure more effective control of the dog, public safety or compliance with this by-law, and the date by which the action must be carried out.
- 4.3 Without limiting the generality of section 4.2, an Order to Restrain may require a dog owner to,
 - (a) licence the dog with the Municipality within 7 days of receipt of the Order to Restrain;
 - (b) have the dog permanently identified, at the Owner's expense, within 21 days of receipt of the Order to Restrain;
 - (c) provide proof that the dog has been permanently identified within 30 days of receipt of the Order to Restrain;

- (d) ensure that the dog successfully completes obedience training course;
- (e) alter the dog;
- (f) refrain from taking the dog to a Leash Free Area;
- (g) confine the dog within an enclosure or within its owner's property;
- (h) restrain the dog by means of a muzzle; and/or
- (i) post warning signs on the owner's property to give notice of the existence of the dog.
- 4.4 An Order to Restrain shall be served upon the dog's owner by,
 - (a) delivering it personally to the owner;
 - (b) leaving it for the owner at the owner's last known or usual place of abode with an inhabitant thereof who appears to be at least 16 years of age; or
 - (c) sending it by registered mail to the owner's last known address.
- 4.5 Service of an Order to Restrain shall be effective on the day that it is personally served or left at the owner's last known or usual place of abode, or 5 days after mailing, as the case may be.
- 4.6 A dog owner who has been served with an Order to Restrain may for a hearing to determine whether the Order to Restrain should be revoked or amended.
- 4.7 To receive a hearing, the dog owner or the dog owner's agent must make a written request for a hearing with the Municipal Clerk within 10 business days of the date that the Order to Restrain was served upon the owner.
- 4.8 As soon as practicable after receipt of the appeal, the Municipal Clerk shall notify the dog owner and any other persons having an interest in the incident that lead to the issuance of the Order to Restrain of the date, time and location of the hearing.
- 4.9 In the interim between the date that an Order to Restrain is served and the date of the hearing of the appeal, the owner shall comply with any restraint or confinement requirements specified in the Order to Restrain.
- 4.10 Following a hearing, the Municipality's Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement or a designate shall determine whether to exempt the owner in whole or in part from the requirements of the Order to Restrain.
- 4.11 If an owner fails to appear at such hearing, the Order to Restrain shall be deemed to be in full force and effect as if no appeal had been filed.

- 4.12 Every owner of a dog that is subject to an Order to Restrain shall immediately notify the Municipality if the dog is sold, gifted or otherwise transferred to another person or if the owner moves from his or her property.
- 4.13 Any dog owner who contravenes an Order to Restrain is guilty of an offence.

Orders to Comply

- 4.14 Where an Animal Services Officer has investigated and is satisfied that a contravention of this by-law has occurred, the Animal Services Officer may make an order requiring the person who contravened this by-law or who caused or permitted the contravention or the owner of the property on which the contravention occurred to do work to correct the contravention.
- 4.15 An Order to Comply shall set out,
 - (a) reasonable particulars of the contravention adequate to identify the contravention and the location of the property on which the contravention occurred; and
 - (b) the work to be done and the date by which the work must be done.
- 4.16 Sections 4.4 and 4.5 respecting service of an Order to Restrain shall apply with necessary modifications to an Order to Comply.
- 4.17 In default of any work specified in an Order to Comply being done by the person directed or required to do it, the Municipality may,
 - (a) enter upon land at any reasonable time to have the matter or thing done at the person's expense; and
 - (b) recover the costs of doing the matter or thing from the person directed or required to do it by action or by adding the costs to the tax roll and collecting them in the same manner as property taxes.
- 4.18 Any person who contravenes an Order to Comply is guilty of an offence.

Seizure and Impoundment

4.19 (1) In this section, "Officer" means an Animal Services Officer or a Durham Regional Police Services officer.

(2) An Officer may seize and impound any pet found at large or delivered to the Officer by a person who found the pet at large.

(3) An Officer may seize and impound a dog in a public place if the officer believes on reasonable grounds that,

- (a) the dog has on one or more occasions bitten or attacked a person or domestic animal;
- (b) the dog has on one or more occasions behaved in a manner that poses a menace to the safety of persons or domestic animals;
- (c) an owner of the dog has on one or more occasions failed to exercise reasonable precautions to prevent the dog from,
 - (i) biting or attacking a person or domestic animal; or
 - (ii) behaving in a manner that poses a menace to the safety of persons or domestic animals;
- (d) the dog is a restricted pit bull and the owner of the dog has on one or more occasions failed to comply with one or more of the requirements of this by-law respecting restricted pit bulls;
- (e) the dog is a pit bull other than a restricted pit bull; or
- (f) there is reason to believe that the dog may cause harm to a person or domestic animal.
- 4.20 (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), an Animal Services Officer may restore possession of an impounded pet to a person claiming to be the owner of the pet only where such person pays to the Municipality all applicable fees set out in Schedule "A" (impound fees, daily care fees and any outstanding licence fee) and any other costs incurred by the Municipality for the housing and caring for the Animal, including the cost of any of veterinary care that a Animal Services Officer deemed necessary.

(2) If the owner of an impounded pet provides sufficient proof of his or her residency in another municipality, such owner shall be exempt from paying the licence fee.

(3) No person shall regain possession of a restricted pit bull without first providing proof that it complies with all requirements under DOLA. Where proof cannot be provided, the pit bull shall be disposed of in accordance with the requirements of DOLA.

4.21 (1) In this section, "redemption period" means 5 days from the day that a pet is impounded (not including the day of impounding or any day that the Shelter is closed).

(2) When a pet has been impounded it shall remain impounded for the duration of the redemption period unless it is claimed in accordance with section 4.19.

(3) If an impounded pet is not claimed on or before the last day of the redemption period, the Animal Services Officer may, at that Officer's discretion and subject to the *Animals for Research Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. A.22, destroy, sell or make a gift of the pet and no compensation shall be recoverable on account of the pet's disposition or destruction.

- 4.22 Nothing in this by-law shall prevent an Animal Services Officer from euthanizing a pet that is suffering illness or injury and, in the Animal Services Officer's opinion, will not humanely sustain life, and no compensation shall be recoverable on account of the pet's destruction.
- 4.23 Where the Animal Services Officer deems it necessary to destroy a pet, the Animal Services Officer shall first make every reasonable attempt in the circumstances to contact its owner.
- 4.24 Any pets euthanized or destroyed under this by-law shall be disposed of in such a manner as the Municipality determines to be appropriate.
- 4.25 The Municipality shall keep a record of all pets seized and impounded pursuant to this by-law.

Inspections

- 4.26 An Animal Services Officer may, at any reasonable time, enter upon any property (other than a room or place actually being used as a dwelling) for the purpose of carrying out an inspection to determine whether or not the provisions of this by-law have been complied with or whether an order issued under this by-law has been complied with.
- 4.27 No person shall prevent hinder or interfere or attempt to prevent hinder or interfere with an inspection undertaken by an Animal Services Officer.

Offences and Penalties

4.28 Every person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine pursuant to the provisions of the *Provincial Offences Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.33.

PART 5 – SURRENDERS and ADOPTIONS

Surrender

- 5.1 The Municipality may accept the transfer of ownership of a pet from its owner if,
 - (a) the Owner's written request is accompanied by payment of the surrender fee set out in Schedule "A";
 - (b) an Animal Services Officer determines that the pet can reasonably be expected to be placed in a new home;
 - (c) the owner supplies all information requested by the Municipality; and
 - (d) space is available in the Shelter.

Adoption

- 5.2 A person may adopt a pet from the Municipality upon demonstrating to the satisfaction of an Animal Services Officer that he or she is capable of providing proper care to the pet and otherwise meeting the requirements of this by-law.
- 5.3 A person adopting a pet from the Municipality shall pay the adoption fee and licence fee set out in Schedule "A".
- 5.4 Notwithstanding section 5.3, where a pet that this suitable for adoption has been kept in the Shelter for an extended period of time or when otherwise deemed appropriate, the Municipal Clerk may reduce or waive the adoption fee.

PART 6 - GENERAL

Short Title

6.1 The short title of this by-law shall be the "Responsible Pet Owners By-law".

Repeal

- 6.2 By-law No. 2006-227, as amended by By-law Nos. 2007-208, 2008-035, 2008-067, 2008-216, 2011-057, 2011-062 and 2011-122, is repealed.
- 6.3 Notwithstanding section 6.2, all licences issued under By-law No. 2006-227, as amended, shall remain in effect until they would have otherwise expired.
- 6.3.1 Notwithstanding section 6.2, all licences issued under By-law 2013-024, as amended, including lifetime licenses in effect on January 1, 2017, shall remain in, effect until they would have otherwise expired.

Effective Date

6.4 This by-law shall be effective on the date that it is passed.

By-law passed this 25th day of March, 2013.

Original By-law signed.

SCHEDULE "A" – FEES

Adptions

Type of Adoptions	Fee
dogs (all dogs are microchipped prior to adoption)	\$95.00
cats (all cats are microchipped and altered prior to adoption unless it is too young or too small at time adoption, in which case the Owner is offered a rebate upon proof of altering.)	\$130.00

Licenses

Type of	Licenses	Fee
1.	dog or cat - microchipped & spayed or neutered	\$15.00
2.	dog or cat – spayed or neutered no microchip	\$25.00
3.	dog - unaltered	\$40.00
4.	cat – unaltered	\$40.00
5.	dog or cat – Agricultural Rate (Rate offered where there are more than 3 dogs or 3 cats and where owner provides proof current rabies vaccination for each, and proof of zoning.) This is an annual licence and no discounts shall apply.	\$100.00

Impoundment of dog/cat wearing current licence or who is microchipped

Impoun	dment Administration	Fee
1.	First occurrence (if returned/picked up within 24 hours)	Free
	Otherwise	\$50.00
2.	Second or subsequent occurrence	\$75.00
3.	Daily care fee (every dog impounded is subject to an additional charge for every day or part of a day <u>after</u> the day the pet is brought into impoundment.)	\$15.00/day

Impoundment of dog/cat NOT wearing current licence or NOT microchipped

Impou	undment Administration	Fee
1.	First occurrence	\$50.00
2.	Second or subsequent occurrence	\$75.00
3.	Daily care fee (Every dog impounded is subject to an additional charge for every day or part of a day after the day the pet is brought into impoundment.)	\$15.00/day
4.	In addition to the fees detailed above, every Owner of a dog not licensed for the current year who is a resident of the Municipality is also required to pay the licence fees in addition to the impoundment fees	Varies, in accordance with Clarington's licensing fees

Surrenders

*The Municipality can only accept surrendered pets if they can reasonably be expected to be placed in a new home. Pets will not be accepted for euthanasia. Pets are screened carefully to avoid placing problem pets in new homes

Туре о	f Surrenders	Fee
1.	Transfer of ownership of a cat or dog or litter, brought into the Animal Shelter	\$55.00
2.	Transfer of ownership of a cat or dog, picked up by the Animal Services Officers, during normal working hours (excluding Sunday and Holidays)	\$65.00
3.	Transfer of ownership of a cat or dog, picked up by the Animal Services Officer, outside regular business hours.	\$90.00

Trap Rental Fees

Trap Rental Fees		Fee
1.	Deposit – fully refundable on return of trap	\$45.00
2.	Daily rental	\$5.00 / day

Permit to Keep More Dogs than Perscribed Limit

Permit t	o Keep More Dogs Than Prescribed Limit	Fee
1.	Initial Application Fee	\$75.00
2.	Annual Renewal	\$45.00