



Communities Benefit When People License Their Pets

- Licensing reduces the number of dogs and cats who are permanently separated from their families.
 - About 65 percent of lost dogs and fewer than 10 percent of lost cats at Coulee Region Humane Society are reunited with their owners.
 - Approximately 15 million dogs and 9 million cats in the United States enter shelters every year as strays. Only 19 percent of the dogs and 3 percent of the cats return to their owners.
- These percentages would increase dramatically if more pets had collars with their local license tags, rabies vaccination tags, and identification tags.
- Lost pets wearing a license tag can be reunited with their owner more quickly, resulting in less taxpayer money spent.
 - Licensing helps protect public health by requiring a current rabies vaccination.
 - Reduced license fees for spayed and neutered animals helps reduce the number of unwanted pets.

Keep 'em Safe. Keep 'em Healthy.
License Your Pet.



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Kennel Hours

Monday, Friday, Saturday, & Sunday: 1pm-5pm
Tuesday & Thursday: 1pm-7pm
Wednesday: Closed

Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9am-5pm
Tuesday & Thursday: 9am-7pm
Saturday & Sunday: 1pm-5pm



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*If You Love Me,
License Me.*





You Benefit When Your Pet Is Licensed

Receive peace of mind, protection for your beloved pet, and it's the law if your dog resides in La Crosse County. Some municipalities (see 11.31 (3) in the Laws section) also require that cats be licensed.

- Lost dogs and cats with license tags are more easily identified.
- Animal Control can trace a licensed pet. If they find your pet, they will be able to determine it is yours and you and your pet will be reunited more quickly. Remember strictly indoor pets can slip outside and become lost too.
- Provides proof of legal ownership.

It's The Law - Partial List of La Crosse County Ordinances Regarding Your Pet

11.31 (3)

Current annual license required. Any person owning, keeping, harboring, or having custody of any dog over 5 months of age must obtain a license for that animal. Currently cats must be licensed in some areas (La Crosse, City of Onalaska, Campbell, Shelby, Rockland). Owners should check with their Treasurer's Office.

11.31 (12)

The owner of a dog (or cat when license is required) shall have the animal vaccinated against rabies no later than 5 months of age.

11.31 (22)

All dogs and cats must be kept under restraint. No person shall allow their animal to run at large.

11.31 (20)

No person shall allow their pet to soil or defecate on any private or public property. The person responsible for the animal must immediately remove and dispose of feces in a sanitary manner.

11.31 (9) (f)

Owners must exercise proper care to prevent their animal from becoming a public nuisance, chasing vehicles, molesting passersby, attacking other domestic animals and barking/whining shall be deemed a nuisance.

11.31 (19) (21)

Every person in charge or control of any animal kept outside or in an unheated enclosure shall provide shelter that meets La Crosse County code at a minimum. Shade from the direct rays of the sun is also required.

11.31 (c)

No person shall beat, cruelly ill treat, torment, overload, overwork, or otherwise abuse any animal. No person shall fail to provide food, water, shelter, and veterinary care when needed to prevent suffering and with humane care and treatment.

11.31 (24)

No person may transport or leave unattended any animal in an open vehicle bed unless it is confined in a secured carrier. No person shall lead any animal from a motorized vehicle.

