

Dog Registration

All dogs aged three months or over must be registered with your local Council. This enables the quick and easy identification of your dog should it be found wandering or become lost. It is an offence for a registered dog not to wear a current registration tag, unless the dog is confined to the premises occupied by the person responsible for the dog.

The registered owner must be a person aged 16 years or over. New owners have 14 days to register the dog once they take ownership or become responsible for the dog. An infringement notice may be incurred if the dog remains unregistered after the 14 day period.

Dogs being registered with The Barossa Council for the first time can only be registered in person at a Council office.

Dogs currently registered with The Barossa Council can be re-registered online via Council's website or via BPay once the registration renewal notice and registration tag have been received. BPay is only available for registrations between July and August. Each dog is assigned a registration tag which is issued in advance of payment to increase the convenience for dog owners who are either unable to visit a Council office in person or prefer to pay online. The registration is not valid until payment is made.

Dog registrations are due from 1 July each year and must be renewed prior to 31 August each year.



Owners of dogs who have not renewed the registration by 31 August each year will incur an additional \$20 late payment fee.

Owning or keeping an unregistered dog may incur a \$170 expiation fee or a maximum penalty of \$2500 imposed by the Court. Further penalties can be imposed for every 14 days the dog remains unregistered.

Council must be notified within 72 hours if the dog is moved to different premises, dies or is missing or if ownership of the dog is transferred to another person.

Changes to Dog Registration Categories

Your dog now falls under two simple categories:-

Standard Dog: A dog that is both desexed and microchipped

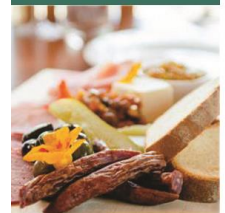
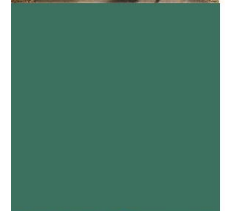
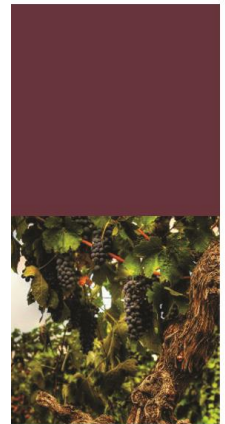
Non-standard Dog: All other dogs

Dog owners who hold a concession card are eligible for a 50% concession for a maximum of two dogs. A current concession card must be produced at the time of registration.

Other concessions are available if your dog is desexed, trained or microchipped.

Owners registering dog for the first time must produce proof if their dog is:

- Desexed
- Microchipped
- Trained



Either via a certificate, issued by a veterinary surgeon, or accredited officer or training organisation for the trained rebate.

Dog owners are required to ensure the information contained on the microchip register is up to date. It is important to change this information if you move house, change telephone number or if the ownership of the dog changes.

All money received from dog registrations is required to be spent on the administration and enforcement of the Dog and Cat Management Act. The objectives of this legislation are to provide increased emphasis on encouraging responsible dog ownership.

Current dog registration fees

Registration Type	Regular	Concession
Standard Dog (Desexed & Microchipped)	\$40	\$20
Standard Dog (Desexed, Trained & Microchipped)	\$32	\$16
Non-Standard Dog (Desexed Only)	\$48	\$24
Non-Standard Dog (Microchipped Only)	\$72	\$36
Non-Standard Dog (Trained Only)	\$72	\$36
Non-Standard Dog (Desexed & Trained)	\$40	\$20
Non-Standard Dog (Trained & Microchipped)	\$64	\$32
Non-Standard Dog (Full Registration)	\$80	\$40
Working Livestock Dog	\$23	\$23
Greyhounds Registered with Greyhound Racing SA	\$23	\$23
Assistance Dogs	Nil	Nil
Transfer of registration from another council	\$5	\$5
Replacement registration disc	\$2	\$2
Late Registration Renewal Fee (if paid after 31 August)	\$20	\$20

Major Changes to the Dog and Cat Management Act from 1 July 2018:

Microchipping – introducing a requirement for **all** dogs and cats to be microchipped by the age of three months from 1 July 2018.

Desexing – introducing a requirement to desex **all** dogs and cats born after 1 July 2018 and by the age of six months.

Breeders – introducing a requirement that a person must not sell a dog or cat they have bred unless they are registered as a breeder with the Dog and Cat Management Board or registered as a breeder under a law of another jurisdiction.

Sellers – introducing a requirement for certain information to be included in advertisements for the sale of a dog or cat and provided to the buyer of a dog or cat.

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