

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Pet owners reminded to renew their dog's licence for 2015**

#### **Summary**

As 2014 draws to an end, the City of Nanaimo is reminding pet owners to renew their dog's licence. A dog licence and accompanying identification tag are required for every dog in Nanaimo over the age of 12 weeks. Licenses are sold for \$30. A discount of \$5.00 is available if paid on or before February 28 of the licensing year. Alternatively, if a person becomes the owner of a new dog after July 1st of the licensing year, the fee is reduced to \$20.00.

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#### **Key Points**

- Dog owners are required to purchase their dog a licence every year. Owners of existing dogs will pay a fee of \$25 dollars if the licence is bought before Feb 28. A new license for a new dog will cost \$20 if purchased after July 1st.
- A dog license acts as a critical piece of ID. In the event a lost or missing dog is found, the dog's tag can be used to contact the owner.
- A dog licence can be purchased at the City of Nanaimo Services and Resource Centre located at 411 Dunsmuir St., Oliver Woods Community Centre and the Animal Shelter.

#### **Quotes**

"Renewing your dog's licence is part of the annual ownership responsibilities for Nanaimo pet owners. Please remember to renew this important licence through the month of January."

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