

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Dog owners reminded to renew licences for 2021

*Discount offered on licences purchased on or before February 28*

#### Summary

With a new year underway, the City of Nanaimo reminds pet owners to renew their dog's licence. Licences are sold for \$30.00 with a \$5.00 discount on purchases made on or before February 28 of the licencing year. If a resident becomes the owner of a new dog after July 1 of the licencing year, the fee is reduced to \$20.00.

Dog licences can be purchased at the City of Nanaimo's Services and Resource Centre (411 Dunsmuir Street) and the Nanaimo Animal Shelter (1260 Nanaimo Lakes Road). New licences must be purchased in person, while renewals may be purchased in person or online at [www.nanaimo.ca](http://www.nanaimo.ca).

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#### Key Points

- Dog licence renewal notices are being mailed out this week.
- A dog licence and accompanying identification tag are required for every dog in Nanaimo over the age of 12 weeks.
- Licences can be purchased in-person and residents have the option to renew on-line. Residents purchasing a tag in person must follow COVID protocols and wear a mask.
- One hundred per cent of the fees collected from dog licences go toward the costs of operating the Nanaimo Animal Shelter, including care and adoption.

#### Quotes

"Dog licences are an important part of having a dog. Every year, hundreds of dogs are quickly reunited with their owners because they were found wearing a current licence tag."

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