

# DOG REGISTRATION 2017/18

**Your dog registration fee for 2017/18 is now due.  
This must be paid before Monday 31 July 2017, 5pm.**

## Why you must register your dog

Dog registration is a requirement of the Dog Control Act 1996. Under New Zealand law, all dogs over the age of three months must be registered with a local council.

## How to register your dog

Please complete and return your completed and signed registration form along with your dog registration payment:

- in person at one of the three council service centres listed on the registration form
- by posting it with cheque to Kāpiti Coast District Council, Private Bag 60-601, Paraparaumu 5254
- at any NZ Post Shop (take your registration form with you), or
- by internet banking (details are on the registration form) and then drop your registration form into one of our service centres, post it (details are on the form) or scan it back to  
**kapiti.council@kapiticoast.govt.nz**

*Please note: if you pay for your dog registration by internet banking or at a NZ Post Shop then you will receive your dog tag within two weeks of making your payment.*

## Online services

We are looking at providing online dog-related services. If you think you would use online services, please provide us with your email address, if you haven't already, to **kapiti.council@kapiticoast.govt.nz** (subject line – 'Dog services online').

## Change of ownership or address

If either your address or your dog's ownership changes, you must let us know within 14 days. You can do this via email to **kapiti.council@kapiticoast.govt.nz** or by post (address on back page).

## Neutered or speyed dogs

The registration fee is reduced for neutered and speyed dogs. If your dog is neutered or speyed, you need to provide us with a certificate verifying this from your vet. If you are unable to do this, please contact us via phone or email (see back page).

## Approved dog owner status

Approved dog owners are given a discount on their dog registration fees. If you want to become an approved owner, you need to complete and sign an application form (available from council service centres and on our website) which outlines the conditions that must be met. Applications, with the relevant fee, must be received before 1 May each year.

## Discounted fees

**New Zealand Kennel Club:** members will receive a discount on dog registration fees, subject to a number of conditions, if a current membership card is shown when making payment.

**People aged 65 years and over:** you are also eligible for a discount on your dog registration fees. If this is your first time registering a dog, you will need to show ID.

*More information over the page.*

### What dog registration fees are used for

Your dog registration fees go towards the cost of animal management services and administration of the Dog Control Act 1996. Some of the services your registration fee covers are:

- promoting the welfare, care and control of dogs
- 24-hour emergency response to urgent dog control complaints
- impounding of dogs
- providing and maintaining quality shelter and pound facilities
- implementing dog management policies
- monitoring and enforcing the Dog Control Bylaw 2008 and the Dog Control Act 1996.

You will receive a free pack of pet clean-up bags for each dog you register.

### Why your dog must have a microchip

The Dog Control Act 1996 requires all dogs registered for the first time on or after 1 July 2006 to have a microchip implanted so they can be permanently identified. You will need to go to a vet to have your dog microchipped. Classified working dogs are exempt.

### Refunds

If your dog dies during the registration year, the part of the registration fee that covers the remaining full months of that year can be refunded. To receive a refund you must provide us with a vet's certificate confirming the death of your dog.

### Dog Policy 2009 & Bylaw 2008

To view a copy of Council's policy and/or the bylaw, please visit one of the three council service centres or visit our website below.

### Walking your dog

A reminder to all dog owners that Kāpiti is a dog on-leash area unless otherwise specified. Go to [kapiticoast.govt.nz/maps](http://kapiticoast.govt.nz/maps) (see 'Dog access and walking zones' section) for more information on where you can walk your dog off leash.

**For further information, please:**

- \* call **0800 486 486** or **04 296 4700**
- \* email **[kapiti.council@kapiticoast.govt.nz](mailto:kapiti.council@kapiticoast.govt.nz)**

**You can also visit our webpage:**

**[kapiticoast.govt.nz/dogs](http://kapiticoast.govt.nz/dogs)**

**Our postal address is:**

**175 Rimu Road  
Private Bag 60 601  
Paraparaumu 5254**